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### PREFACE BY SAMUEL G. FREEDMAN

When A. M. Rosenthal died in May 2006 at the age of eighty-four, he left behind a career as notable for one striking gap as for its innumerable achievements. His journalistic record included winning a Pulitzer Prize for his reporting from Poland, defying the Nixon Administration to publish the Pentagon Papers, serving seventeen years as the executive editor of the *New York Times*, and, even after nominal retirement, writing opinion columns for both the *Times* and the *Daily News*. He produced one of the most significant ruminations on the Holocaust in his 1958 article, "No News From Auschwitz," and in later years he championed human-rights issues from religious freedom in China to female circumcision in Africa.

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