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TAGS: REPR, IS, EG, US, JO, SA, PLC, XF
SUBJECT: SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WEINBERGER'S MEETING WIT
FOREIGN MINISTER SHAMIR, SEPTEMBER 3
REF: JERUSALEM 2711 (NOTAL)

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2. SUMMARY: SHAMIR WELCOMED WEINBERGER IN SPITE OF
"DIFFICULTIES AND DIFFERENCES." HE EXPRESSED HOPE
THAT U.S. DIFFERENCES WITH ISRAEL WOULD NOT
ENCOURAGE TROUBLEMAKERS IN LEBANON AND ASKED
WEINBERGER'S VIEW. WEINBERGER EXPRESSED OPTIMISM
ON THE NEXT STEPS NOTING THAT BOTH SYRIANS AND
ISRAELIS WISHED TO LEAVE LEBANON AND THE LEBANESE
HAVE FIRM DESIRE FOR UNITY AND INDEPENDENCE.
WEINBERGER AGREED TO SHAMIR'S REQUEST FOR U.S.
SUPPORT OF AN ISRAEL LEBANON PEACE TREATY AND ADDED
THAT THIS WAS THE PURPOSE OF REAGAN'S PLAN.
HE URGED ISRAEL NOT TO REJECT THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN. SHAMIR
ASKED FOR U.S. SUPPORT, PARTICULARLY FOR SAUDI
ARABIA, TO END FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR PLO.
WEINBERGER SAID THAT WE AGREED THAT ISRAEL SHOULD
NOT ADD ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO THE PLO. A LONGER
DISCUSSION OF THE REAGAN PLAN. ISRAELI OFFICIALS
EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THERE WOULD BE
THREATENED BY YIELDING TERRITORY. WEINBERGER EXPRESSED A
CONVICTION THAT THE PUBLIC OPINION IN AMERICAN
WAS PREJUDGES THE OUTCOME OF THE PROCESS.
WEINBERGER ASSURED THE PRESIDENT THAT THERE
WAS NO ONE IN THE WORLD WHO WAS MORE CONCERNED
FOR ISRAEL'S SECURITY THAN THE UNITED STATES.
HE SAID THAT IT WAS FOR THIS REASON THAT HE WAS

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THE TENSIONS, ONE OF WHICH WAS THE HOLDING OF TERRITORY BY ISRAEL, THAT COULD LEAD TO RENEWED CONFLICT. THE FOREIGN MINISTER AGREED TO AMBASSADOR LEWIS' SUGGESTION THAT THE ELEMENTS OF THE PLAN BE DISCUSSED INFORMALLY WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. END SUMMARY.

3. SECRETARY WEINBERGER CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER SHAMIR THIS MORNING, SEPTEMBER 3, IN JERUSALEM. WITH SHAMIR WERE DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER YEHUDA BEN-MEIR, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HANAN BAR-ON, LEGAL ADVISER ELI RUBENSTEIN, AND OTHER ISRAELI OFFICIALS. WEINBERGER WAS ACCOMPANIED BY IKLE, CATTO, SMITH, SECORD, KIMMIT AND THE AMBASSADOR, DCM AND DATT.

4. SHAMIR OPENED WITH WHAT HE TERMED A WARM WELCOME IN SPITE OF DIFFICULTIES AND DIFFERENCES. HE SUGGESTED THAT THEY OPEN THE AGENDA WITH A DISCUSSION OF LEBANON WHICH WAS THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE SECRETARY'S TRIP TO THE MIDDLE EAST THIS TIME. HE NOTED THAT THE SECRETARY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE THE SUCCESSFUL ACCOMPLISHMENTS DUE TO THE EFFORTS AND LOSSES OF THE ISRAELI ARMY AND THE SUCCESSSES OF PHIL HABIB, THE AMERICAN MARINES AND OTHERS. HE SAID IT WAS NOW IMPORTANT TO DISCUSS HOW WE PROCEED WITH THE FINAL STATUS OF LEBANON. THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL HOPES THAT THE NEXT STAGE WILL BE THE DEPARTURE OF THE SYRIAN AND PLO FORCES, AND HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL WILL NOT ENCOURAGE THE DIFFICULT ELEMENTS IN LEBANON. HE THEN ASKED HOW SECRETARY WEINBERGER SAW THE NEXT STAGES IN LEBANON. WEINBERGER EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE WARM WELCOME, FOR THE PROGRAM WHICH HAD ENABLED HIM TO SEE SO MUCH IN ISRAEL. HE SAID HIS PURPOSE WAS TO LISTEN, TO LEARN AND TO SEE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. HE SAID HE ESPECIALLY APPRECIATED THE FULLNESS OF THE PROGRAM BECAUSE IT WAS ARRANGED ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE. WEINBERGER SAID HE WAS OPTIMISTIC ON THE NEXT STAGE. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE SYRIANS HAVE SAID THAT THEY WANT TO GET OUT AND HE BELIEVES THEM. HE SAID THAT BOTH THE PRESIDENT-ELECT AND THE CURRENT PRESIDENT OF LEBANON WANT THE SYRIANS OUT. HE SAID OUR MAJOR EFFORT WILL BE TO ESTABLISH LEBANON AS A SOLID

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STATE, NOT TO BE USED AS A BASE FOR ATTACKS ON ISRAEL. HE SAID IT WOULD TAKE TIME AND EFFORT AND MONEY. HE SAID THE FIRST STEP HAD BEEN TO GET THE PLO OUT. THE U.S. PURPOSE HAD BEEN TO AVOID BLOODSHED, BECAUSE WE FELT THAT A HOUSE TO HOUSE ATTACK WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY COSTLY. HE SAID IT HAD BEEN PHIL HABIB'S PLAN AND PHIL IS TO BE PRAISED FOR IT. IT WAS MOSTLY ACCOMPLISHED, ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SOME BAD ELEMENTS WHICH STILL EXIST IN LEBANON. TERRORISM REMAINS A POSSIBILITY, BUT THE PLO HAS BEEN DESTROYED AS AN ORGANIZED MILITARY FORCE. HE SAID HE BELIEVED THAT THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PEACE IN LEBANON IS THERE ONCE THE FOREIGN FORCES HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN. WEINBERGER SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE ISRAELI FORCES ALSO WANT TO WITHDRAW, AND HE ALSO UNDERSTOOD THAT THE GOI WANTS THE SYRIANS OUT FIRST. HE SAID SIMULTANEOUS WITHDRAWAL MAY BE HARD TO ARRANGE, BUT THE WITHDRAWAL SHOULD BE COMPLETED SOON SO BASIC THINGS CAN BE DONE AS DISCUSSED YESTERDAY. WEINBERGER SAID THAT UNITY IN LEBANON WILL BE HARD, BUT IT CAN BE DONE. RECONSTRUCTION WILL ALSO BE DONE, BUT THIS IS A PERIOD OF GREAT HOPE FOR GENUINE PEACE.

5. SHAMIR SAID IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF ALL, U.S., ISRAEL AND LEBANON, FOR THERE TO BE NORMAL AND PEACEFUL RELATIONS BETWEEN LEBANON AND ISRAEL, TO CREATE A NEW REALITY IN THE MIDDLE EAST. HE SAID IT IS IN THE U.S. INTEREST TO SUPPORT A PEACE TREATY BETWEEN LEBANON AND ISRAEL. WEINBERGER REPLIED THAT HE AGREED, THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL AND HE SEES NO OBSTACLES FROM HIS DISCUSSIONS IN LEBANON TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF "PEACEFUL RELATIONS" BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE SAID THE MECHANICS MAY TAKE SOME DISCUSSION BUT THERE IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY THROUGH ECONOMIC AND OTHER ASSISTANCE TO ASSURE THE LEBANESE THAT MANY WANT TO HELP. LEBANON HAS HAD A VERY HARD TIME. BEN MEIR NOTED THAT THERE HAD BEEN 100,000 KILLED IN LEBANON OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS. WEINBERGER CONCEDED THAT HE SAW IN LEBANON NOTHING BUT A DESIRE FOR PEACE. SHAMIR WENT ON THAT ARAB VOICES WOULD THREATEN LEBANON IF IT SEEMS TO BE MAKING PEACE WITH ISRAEL. IT IS THEREFORE IMPORTANT TO HAVE THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE LEBANESE TO PERSEVERE IN THE PATH OF PEACE. WEINBERGER SAID THEY WILL HAVE IT.

OF THE PRESIDENT SAID THIS WAS THE PURPOSE OF THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN. HE FELT THE ISRAELI POSITION COULD BE EXPANDED. HE SAID IT IS THE PRESIDENT'S GREAT GOAL SO THAT ALL THE LEBANESE, SO THAT WE CAN GET OUT FROM THE NEED FOR GREAT RESOURCES TO BE PUT OUR RESOURCES TO BE USED IN THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN. HE SAID THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN OFFERS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR PEACE. IT WAS FOR THIS REASON HE URGED THE PRIME MINISTER NOT TO REJECT THE PLAN. HE SAID THAT ALL THE LEBANESE WOULD BE GLAD TO HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH

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ISRAEL. THE AREAS ARE TOO CLOSE, AS SHARON ABLY DEMONSTRATED YESTERDAY, TO HAVE CONTINUING TENSION WITHOUT AGAIN RESULTING IN WAR. HE SAID IT WAS OUR HOPE THAT WE CAN DUPLICATE THE EGYPT-ISRAEL TREATY THROUGHOUT THE MIDDLE EAST. SHAMIR SAID THAT WITH SUPPORT FROM THE UNITED STATES THIS IS POSSIBLE.

7. SHAMIR THEN SAID THAT THE PILLAR OF THE PLO WAS ITS FINANCIAL RESOURCES. THE PLO HAS LOST ITS MILITARY CAPABILITY; NOW WE NEED TO INFLUENCE THE ARAB COUNTRIES NOT TO GIVE THE PLO MORE MONEY. IF THE PLO KEEPS ON GETTING MONEY IT WILL FIND WAYS TO REORGANIZE. THE U.S. CAN EXERT ITS INFLUENCE TO PREVENT THIS, ESPECIALLY WITH SAUDI ARABIA WHICH PROVIDES LOTS OF MONEY FOR THE PLO. WEINBERGER SAID WE DON'T DISAGREE. WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE SUPPORT COMES FROM FOR THE PLO, MUCH OF IT COMES FROM THE SOVIETS. BUT WE DON'T EXPECT EVEN THAT TO CONTINUE VERY MUCH. PERHAPS SAUDI ARABIA WILL NOT FEEL THE NEED TO CONTINUE THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE PLO IN A MAJOR WAY. HE SAID THE SAUDI ATTITUDE HAS BEEN SHOWN BY ITS REFUSAL

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TO TAKE ANY OF THE PLO FIGHTERS, BUT THAT HE HIMSELF DID NOT KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY THE SAUDIS HAD GIVEN IN THE PAST. AMBASSADOR LEWIS SAID WE DON'T WANT TO LEAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT SAUDI ARABIA WILL STOP FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE PLO. THERE IS SOME FEAR THAT THE SAUDIS WILL STEP UP THEIR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN ORDER TO COMPENSATE FOR THEIR FAILURE TO HELP THE PLO IN THE MILITARY FIELD. THIS IS LIKELY TO HAPPEN. WE DON'T BELIEVE THE U.S. WILL BE ABLE TO GET THE SAUDIS TO QUIT PROVIDING FINANCING FOR THE PLO. SECRETARY WEINBERGER SAID THE ARABS THAT HE KNOWS ARE PRACTICAL PEOPLE, THEY WILL USE A LOT OF RHETORIC BUT IT IS HIS PERSONAL IMPRESSION THAT THEIR PRACTICAL SIDE WOULD PREVAIL, ALTHOUGH SOME PROTECTION MONEY WILL CONTINUE TO BE SPENT IN SOME AREAS. BEN-MEIR SAID NOW IS THE OPPORTUNITY FOR U.S. TO STOP THE FINANCING FROM THE SAUDIS TO THE PLO. WEINBERGER SAID HE AGREED WITH AMBASSADOR LEWIS THAT WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO PREVENT SOME PLO FUNDING COMING FROM SAUDI ARABIA, BUT THAT HE KNOWS OF NO INTEREST FOR ANYONE THAT CAN BE SERVED BY REVIVING THE PLO WHICH IS NOW SHATTERED AS A MILITARY FORCE. SHAMIR SAID THAT THE SOVIETS PROVIDE WEAPONS AND TRAINING TO THE PLO BUT THE SAUDIS PROVIDE THE MONEY. WITHOUT THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT THEY CAN'T GAIN NEW INFLUENCE. EVEN IF THE UNITED STATES CAN'T CONVINCE THE SAUDIS TO STOP THE FINANCING, THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL WOULD LIKE TO BELIEVE THAT THE WORLD SHOULD KNOW THAT THIS IS THE AMERICAN POSITION. WEINBERGER SAID HE AGREED. NO ONE IN THE UNITED STATES BELIEVES ANYONE SHOULD GIVE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE PLO. IT'S A SMALL FORCE EVEN THOUGH IT IS VIOLENT. SHAMIR SAID EVEN IF THE PLO IS OUT OF LEBANON THEY MAY TRY TO GET A BASE IN SOME OTHER COUNTRY. WEINBERGER SAID WE WILL DISCOURAGE IT WHEREVER WE CAN. ARENS SAID THE MOST DANGEROUS PLACE IS THE PDRY. IT IS NOT IN SAUDI INTEREST TO SUPPORT THE PALESTINIANS IN THE PDRY. WEINBERGER SAID WE AGREE THE SAUDIS FEEL NOTHING MORE THAN THE PDRY WITH ITS SOVIET SPONSORING.

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8. SHAMIR SUGGESTED TURNING THEN TO THE NEW PRINCIPLES. HE WAS IMPRESSED BY THE WORDS OF SECRETARY WEINBERGER OF HIS IMPRESSIONS OF THE VULNERABILITY OF ISRAEL'S REQUIREMENTS FOR ISRAELI SECURITY. HE WAS QUITE SHARPLY, HOW DID WEINBERGER'S PERCEPTION IN WITH THE U.S. POSITION. HERE IS THE MAIN PROBLEM OF THE FRONTIERS. WEINBERGER REPLIED THAT ONE OF THE PRINCIPLES PROVIDED BY THE U.S. IS THAT WE ARE TRYING TO REMOVE HOSTILITIES ACROSS ISRAEL'S BORDERS. THE FRONTIERS ARE NARROW. WEINBERGER SAID THAT THE GOAL OF OUR PLAN IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE ARABS DO NOT ACT AGAINST ISRAEL.

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IS REMOVED. WE WANT TO ACHIEVE THIS BY GIVING ALL A SAY IN THEIR OWN FUTURE, NOT A STATE. WE WANT TO REDUCE THE CAUSES OF HOSTILITIES AND FEARS AND SUSPICIONS, AND THE NEED FOR SUCH GREAT ISRAELI EXPENDITURES FOR MILITARY STRENGTH.

9. AT THIS POINT AMBASSADOR LEWIS READ OUT THE VERY WARM PARAGRAPH THAT HAD SOMEHOW BEEN LEFT OUT OF THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH IN THE COPIES THAT WERE RECEIVED HERE. WEINBERGER ADDED THAT ISRAEL HAS NO BETTER FRIEND IN THE WORLD THAN PRESIDENT REAGAN. ARENS SAID THAT ISRAEL WAS NOT WORRIED ABOUT THE INTENTIONS OF THE PRESIDENT. WHAT WORRIES ISRAEL IS THE FORMULA OF SECURITY THROUGH PEACE AND PEACE THROUGH REDUCED TENSIONS, APPEASEMENT AND DISCUSSIONS. WEINBERGER SAID: DO NOT USE THE WORD APPEASEMENT. ARENS SAID THAT THE BASIC TENSIONS EXIST AND WILL GENERATE HOSTILITIES IF ISRAEL EVER GIVES THE IMPRESSION THAT IT IS WEAK. BEN-MEIR SAID THAT AS A PSYCHOLOGIST HE NOTES THAT THE PROBLEM IS ONE BETWEEN PSYCHOLOGY AND GEOGRAPHY. GEOGRAPHY DOES NOT CHANGE BUT IT HAS AN INFLUENCE ON PSYCHOLOGY. WE CANNOT ASSUME THAT WITH A

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PSYCHOLOGICAL BREAKTHROUGH WE COULD FORGET THE GEOGRAPHIC PROBLEM. WEINBERGER SAID THIS IS THE BASIS OF THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN AND HE QUOTED FROM THE PRINCIPLES NOTING THAT THE BETTER THE PEACE THE MORE TERRITORY THAT COULD BE RETURNED AND THE LESSER THE PEACE, THE LESS. SHAMIR SAID THAT SINCE THE 1967 WAR ALL ISRAELIS BELIEVE THAT WE CAN'T GO BACK TO THE OLD BOUNDARIES. HE SAID IF THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT JUDEA AND SAMARIA MIGHT SOMEDAY BE PART OF JORDAN AND TAKEN OUT OF ISRAEL'S HANDS, THIS WILL BE VERY DANGEROUS. AMBASSADOR LEWIS NOTED THAT THE CAMP DAVID ACCORDS LEAVES OPEN THIS QUESTION OF FINAL BORDERS. BEN-MEIR SAID THAT YOU AMERICANS HAVE CLOSED IT. AMBASSADOR LEWIS SAID THAT THE KEY IS TO GET DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS GOING OVER THE BORDERS. SHAMIR SAID THAT THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN SAID THERE WILL NOT BE ISRAELI SOVEREIGNTY IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA. AMBASSADOR LEWIS REPLIED THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS SAID THAT WE WILL NOT SUPPORT ISRAELI SOVEREIGNTY IN THOSE TERRITORIES.

AMBASSADOR ARENS SAID IF WE GO TO THE 1967 BORDERS FOR THE AUTONOMY, INCLUDING EAST JERUSALEM VOTING, THOSE WILL BE THE FINAL BORDERS. RUBENSTEIN INTERJECTED THAT THE FORMULATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN PREJUDGES EVERY OUTCOME. SHAMIR SAID THE DANGER IS OF GOING BACK TO THE OLD LINES. WE WERE BETTER OFF BEFORE THIS WAS PUBLISHED, NOW THE BORDER QUESTION IS ALMOST CLOSED. WEINBERGER POINTED OUT THAT THE PLAN CALLS FOR A UNITED JERUSALEM WITH A STATUS TO BE DETERMINED AND THERE IS ROOM FOR NEGOTIATIONS. HE SAID THAT THE VERY FACT OF HOLDING TERRITORY IS ITSELF A CAUSE OF TENSION AND THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN WAS TO IMPROVE THE PROSPECT OF REMOVING SOME OF THESE CAUSES OF TENSION. IT THEREFORE IS A CAUSE OF HOPE. AMBASSADOR LEWIS ADDED AN HISTORICAL NOTE. HE SAID THAT NO ISRAELI WHO HAS BEEN AT CAMP DAVID OR TAKING PART IN THE JERUSALEM NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE SURPRISED BY THE U.S. POSITION. IT IS ABSOLUTELY CONSISTENT WITH THE CIA AND WITH THE DISCUSSIONS WHICH WE HAVE HAD SINCE. THERE IS NOTHING REALLY NEW

THE ONLY THING THAT WAS NEW WAS TO BRING THE DEADLOCK BY MAKING CERTAIN U.S. VIEWS PUBLIC. FOR EXAMPLE, THE JERUSALEM PARAGRAPH IS BLAUNTLY STATED WORD FOR WORD AS WE HAVE IN THE PAST. THE CHANGE OF TONE BUT NOT ONE OF SUBSTANCE. AMBASSADOR LEWIS SAID IT IS MUCH MORE THAN THAT. HE SAID THE UNITED STATES HAS NOT EVER STATED THAT AUTONOMY WAS FOR THE BORDERS OF 1967. AMBASSADOR LEWIS STATED THE ISRAELI VIEW IS THAT WE GO ON THE POINT. RUBENSTEIN SAID THAT WE GO TO GO PUBLIC. AMBASSADOR LEWIS SAID THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN WAS A BIG STEP FORWARD. HE SAID THE ISRAELIS HAVE TWO DIFFERENT VIEWS, THAT HE HAD THOUGHT THAT THE

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SETTLEMENTS WERE NOT A PROBLEM FOR HIM, THAT ISRAEL MIGHT HAVE A RIGHT TO THE TERRITORY, THAT HE UNDERSTOOD ISRAEL'S SECURITY PROBLEMS. NOW THE PRESIDENT HAS CHANGED. SHAMIR ADDED "THE CHANGE IS NOT FOR THE BETTER." AMBASSADOR LEWIS SAID THEY MUST HAVE MISUNDERSTOOD THE PRESIDENT IN THE PAST. WEINBERGER SAID THE PRESIDENT HAS NOT CHANGED. HE WANTS PEACE AND HE CAN'T GET PEACE FROM ONE SIDE ONLY. WE NEED TO GENERATE A TOTAL CHANGE TO GET PEACE AND THE PRESIDENT IS TRYING TO SECURE FOR ISRAEL A FAR BETTER POSITION THAN THEY HAD BEFORE. HE IS SEEKING REAL GUARANTEES FOR THE FUTURE BASED ON SOME TYPE OF CONSENT OF THE ARAB NEIGHBORS. SHAMIR SAID THEY HAD NO DOUBTS OF THE FRIENDLY INTENTIONS OF PRESIDENT REAGAN BUT HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE IMPLICATIONS ON THE GROUND. SHAMIR SAID WE KNOW THAT FURTHER ISRAELI CONCESSIONS WILL NOT IMPROVE OUR RELATIONS WITH OUR NEIGHBORS. IT IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT THAT THE UNITED STATES ASSURE EGYPT THAT THE U.S. CONTINUES TO SUPPORT ISRAEL, OR EVEN THE EGYPT TREATY MAY BE THREATENED, HE IMPLIED. AMBASSADOR LEWIS URGED THE FOREIGN MINISTER NOT TO REJECT THE

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PRESIDENT'S PLAN. HE SAID THE ISRAELI REACTION TO THE PLAN ALSO AFFECTS THE EGYPTIAN PERCEPTIONS OF THEIR RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. SECRETARY WEINBERGER SAID THE PLAN IS NOT ONE-SIDED, OUT OF IT COMES A REAL FUTURE OPPORTUNITY. WE MUST UNDERSTAND THAT WE CAN'T GET SECURITY FROM MILITARY FORCE ALONE. THAT IS WHY THE PRESIDENT HAS MADE HIS PROPOSALS.

10. AMBASSADOR LEWIS SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE CABIN WILL NOT PERMIT NEGOTIATIONS ON THE BASIS OF THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN, BUT OFFERED TO SIT DOWN WITH THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE AUTONOMY AND CAMP DAVID TALKS IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND INFORMALLY GO OVER THE IDEAS POINT BY POINT. SHAMIR AND BEN-MEIR AGREED THAT AMBASSADOR LEWIS COULD MEET INFORMALLY WITH RUBENSTEIN AND OTHERS TO GO OVER IT INFORMALLY.

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