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Date May 26, 1981

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Sincerely,

Richard Fairbanks Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations

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March 6, 1981

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President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

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Jews have considered Jerusalem their capital since King David declared it the capital of the United Jewish Kingdom 3,000 years ago. In recent history, this declaration was repeated by the Knesset in 1949--even though the City had been divided by war, and again in 1967--after reunification by the Israeli Army. The United States' commitment to a strong Israel has been one of the most long-standing elements of our foreign policy; in return, Israel has been one of this country's most dependable allies. Yet, despite a historical mandate, and despite our mutual commitment, the United States maintains its embassy not in Jerusalem but in Tel Aviv. We urge you to correct this error in our policy.

Since the time of King David, many different peoples have ruled the City. Its holy places have been destroyed, and its Jews exiled. Each time, however, the Jews have returned to reclaim and rebuild it. When the Jordanian Army attacked Jerusalem in 1948, in violation of the U.S. Partition Agreement, the world watched as Israel fought two wars: one for its survival, and one to protect Jerusalem's holy places. Only the sacrifices of Jerusalem's 100,000 Jews prevented the total destruction of the City. But what they prevented during war they could not prevent during peace. In the nineteen years that Jordan controlled the Old City the ancient synagogues were demolished, cemeteries desecrated, and tombstones used to build latrines. Despite assurances in the peace agreement, Jews were denied access to sanctuaries in the Old City, and could not pray at the Western Wall--the most holy of holy places. When Jordan attacked West Jerusalem during the Six Day War, the Israeli Army reunified the City, completing the cycle of conquest, destruction, exile, and return. The bond that has been built up between Jews and Jerusalem can never again be severed by partition.

Jerusalem is important to Islam and Christianity also, but in a different way. For Islam, Jerusalem lacks the holy obligation of Mecca and Medina; for Christianity it is a city of holy places. But for the Jewish people, both religiously and historically, the City itself is central. Of all the peoples that have ruled Jerusalem, only the Jews have made it their capital.

Since the reunification of Jerusalem, Israel has shown extraordinary sensitivity to the protection of holy places of all religions. Shortly after the 1967 war, the Knesset passed a law guaranteeing free access to the holy places of all religions. This law has been followed to the letter. Churches and mosques are under the control of the individual Christian and Islamic denominations. Where there is potential for terrorist disruption, such as President Ronald Reagan March 6, 1981 Page Two

at Christmas, the Israeli Army provides assistance. Arabs enjoy civil rights they lacked under Jordan, such as the freedom to move about the entire city undisturbed. A fifth of the municipal jobs are held by Arabs, including many high posts. New facilities installed in the Arab Quarter and greater economic opportunity have resulted in a steady migration of Arabs to Jerusalem. Today there are 300,000 Jews and 100,000 non-Jews living in the City. Arabs are a minority, to be sure, but they are a minority with full civic rights.

Moving our embassy to Jerusalem will demonstrate our unwillingness to have our actions dictated by the manipulations of international terrorist organizations. The PLO-coordinated condemnation by the United Nations of Israel's Jerusalem Law prompted the relocation of thirteen embassies from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv. These concessions to the all-too-comfortable combination of terrorist and oil blackmail must be reversed if the security of Israel is to be ensured.

Healing long-standing emotional animosities between Arabs and Jews in Jerusalem will take time. The process has progressed remarkably under Israeli administration. A decisive American position on the status of Jerusalem could contribute enormously to this process. In the words of David Ben-Gurion in 1949: "The State of Israel has had in the past, and will have in the future, only one capital, as we believe, till the end of time." We should recognize and affirm this reality by moving our embassy to Jerusalem.

Sincerely,

Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Senator

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FROM: MOYNIHAN / SCHUMER

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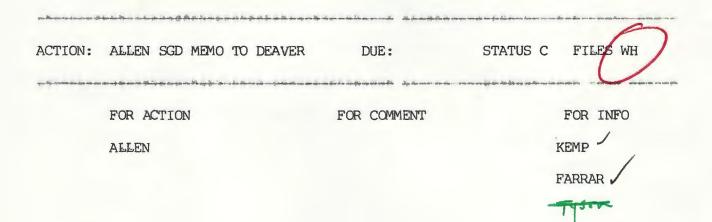
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 14, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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MICHAEL DEAVER

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT:

Requested Visit of Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir of Israel

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir will be visiting the United States and will be meeting with the Secretary of State and Members of the Congress.

My recommendation is that he be given a meeting with the President on Tuesday, February 24.

The meeting would be for approximately 30 minutes.

The reason for acceding to this request is that the President has been seeing Foreign Ministers of leading allied countries, and has even visited recently with the Foreign Minister of Oman. There will be favorable "fallout" if this meeting is held.

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REMARKS:

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L. Paul Bremer, III Executive Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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TO: DEPARIMENT OF STATE

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ACTION REQUESTED: APPROPRIATE ACTION

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TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MS. MARCIA DREZON - TEPLER PATAI STREET 13, ENTRANCE 3 APARTMENT 3 RAMAT AVIV ISRAEL

SUBJECT: AS A RESULT OF RESEARCH AND INTERVIEWS DONE IN ISRAEL AS A FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR FROM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SHE WOULD LIKE TO IMPART INFORMATION WHICH WOULD BE USEFUL TO ADMINISTRATION IN DEVELOPING MIDDLE EAST POLICY

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> BY DIRECTION OF THE PRESIDENT: DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D. C. Attn.: Mr. Richard Allen

Dear Mr. President:

This past year I have been in Israel as a Fulbright Scholar from Columbia University in New York, researching the development of interest groups and the political system. One of the groups I have been studying is Gush Emunim, a group that arose in 1973 and has pressed each Government in office to support settlements in occupied territories and retain those territories in any peace arrangement. As part of the research I have interviewed high Government officials including Mr. Menachem Begin, the current Prime Minister, Mr. Yitzhak Rabin, the former Prime Minister, and Mr. Shimon Peres, leader of the Labor Party, the current opposition. I also have met with members of the legislature as well as active members of the group and have visited several sites on the West Bank.

As a result of this work, I have information and impressions that I believe would be useful to the Administration in developing its Middle East policy, and furthermore, I think it important to impart this information as much before the Israeli elections in June as possible. Therefore, if you think my analysis could be helpful, please let me know to whom and how to transmit it-letter, memo, or meeting with an Administration representative coming to the area.

I hesitated to write this letter, feeling a little foolish addressing it to the President and not going through perhaps more "proper" channels. However, I decided this would be the most efficient procedure, and I trust you will forgive any semblance of naiveté. I will be at the above address and telephone number until at least the middle of May.

> Sincerely, Marcia Strugor Tepler

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April 13, 1981

Dear Jesse:

With sincere regret for the delay, I would like to thank you for your March 19, 1981 correspondence to the President enclosing comments from Mr. Shafeec Mansour.

Your thoughtfulness in bringing this message to my attention is certainly appreciated. You may be assured that the Administration enjoys having the benefit of the views and remarks of so many of our concerned Americans.

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Max L. Friedersdorf Assistant to the President

The Honorable Jesse Helms United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

March 19, 1981

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Honorable Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

At the request of one of your campaign supporters, I convey to you a copy of a letter sent to me by Mr. Shafeec Mansour, and I hope you will find it of interest.

With kind regards.

Sincerely,

Joss Jene Idelma

JESSE HELMS: ome Enclosure Shafeec A. Mansour; 1625 N.W.Eleventh Street; Corvallis; Oregon 97330

February 18,1931

The Honorable Senators; /Mr. desse Helms, and Mr. John East; The Congressional Club; 3825 Barrett Drive; Raleigh; N.C. 27609

Dear Honorable Senators:

Many thanks for Senator John East's letter of February 10, which I have just received and which I do appreciate greatly.

For a few weeks prior to our highly esteemed Fresident Reagan's election, I was a great booster of his amongst my very large circle of friends. In fact I did contribute towards his election, as much as we could. I also did reply to your Club's previous call and included a humble donation.

A week or two prior to his election, and since then, after his election, President Reagan made a few very serious statements with which I do not agree at all, as they are contrary to the good and interests of our great country. Such unfortunate statements, which may be dictated by political expediency, are detrimental to the welfare of our country, and do jeopardize our USA economic and political and diplomatic interests amongst our historic allies the Arab countries of the Middle East, and the 800,000,000 Moslems of the Moslem World. I did write President Reagan drawing his attention to the seriousness of those statements. He declared first that Jerusalem is the Capital of Israel, before the world over the IV. I believe, dear friends, that you and he (even as a Born Again Christian) as I know you both are, do know better than that. I remarked in a letter to him, which he may have never received, why should Jerusalem be the Capital of Israel, which invaded Palestine by force, contrary to any human, national or International Law, more than Sacramento or Washington; or New York or Chicago, be the Capital of our American Indians?. His second statement since his election is The settlement, whis Israel is building in the Arab occupied teritories, are not illegal !! This is contrary to the 100 or more UN Resolutions; to the former Fresidents and the former Secretaries of State who declared such an action is illegal and detererent to the process of peace. UN Resolution 242 itself, to which w e seem to be sticking, also reserves, and rightly so, the rights of the Falestinian Arabs to return to their rightful land Falestine, from which they were displaced by Israel's invasion. In fact the November 1947 Partition Resolution, which helped towards the establishment of Palestine into a Jesish and an Arab State, ruled that Jerusalem and the other Hly Shrines be under UN International Frusteeship. The 1949 Genevea Agreements, to which Israel is a signatory, forbid the displacelent or deportation of the people of the occupied territories, and forbid the changing of the Status .uc

Such statements by our esteemed Fresident are antagonizing the 130,000,000 Arabs of the Middle East, and the 800,000,000 Moslems of the Moslem World, and aggravate the Middle East Crisis. The 21 Arab Countries of the Arab World are at war with Israel since 1848. Hence the seriousness and inadequacy of such harmful to our great Country, statements by our esteemed Fresident.

the Honorable Senators Helsm and East (continued)

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Let us beware of the continued pressure on our Foreign Policy and the Administration, and Congress, by Israel and the American por-Zionist and pro-Israeli lobbyists and pressure. These are absolutely contrary and even detrimental to the good, interest and welfare of our court the great USA, which we firmly believe is by far the greatest and blessed country in the whole world. We have travelled and have wide contacts in several countries overseas, and we are sure of what we are writing here.

We had earnestly prayed and hoped, and we still do, that as we go into a unique new era of our American history, undef the efficient and effective leadership of our honorable Fresident Ronald Reagan and his colleagues on the Cabinet and the Congress, we will shed off our shoulders this pro-Israeli-Zionist policy, which has brought us and the world nothing but trouble in the last 31 years of the est blich of Israel and the alarming progress of political Zionis. This alienating from us the whole 130,000,000 people of the Arab World, and the 800,000,000 people in the Moslem World, who for ages, prior to th establishment of Israel, have been our good friends and distorically our faithful allies. Even nowadays, particularly, we need their goodwill and support and alliances, particularly in the present vol tile Middle East Crisis, more than any other time in our history.

I pray that if at all possible, you will kindly convey these humble suggestions of mine, and you know how best, to our honorable resident, for whom, and for you all, we are and wish the very best, and for the full realization of this A mistration's and our great Country the USA's goals and appiratio

Yours most since ly Brann n. Shafeed A. Man our

I am sending a copy of this letter to each of you directly.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 29, 1981

Dear Dr. Kharofa:

On behalf of President Reagan, thank you for your telegram concerning the Ibrahimi Mosque incident. Your protest has been duly noted. Naturally, this Administration is firmly committed to the ideal of freedom of religion, one of the fundamental principles on which the United States was founded.

It is our hope that the efforts we are making on behalf of lasting peace in the Middle East and other troubled parts of the world will ultimately result in greater understanding and tolerance between peoples of all races and creeds. Again, thank you for your expression of concern on this matter.

Yours sincerely, an Aram Bakshian, Jr.

Special Assistant to the President

Dr. Ala'Eddin Kharofa Director Muslim World League 300 East 44th Street New York, New York 10017 MUSLIM WCRLD LEAGUE S RAZWY 300 EAST 44 ST NEW YORK NY 10017

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ON BEHALF ICF THE MUSLIM WORLD LEAGUE WHICH OCNSISTS ICF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL MUSLIM WATIONS, I HAVE THE HONOR TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION THE LATEST ACT ICF SACRILEGE AND PROFAMATION AT THE IBRAHIMI MOSQUE AT AL-KHALIL (HEERON).

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WE STRONGLY PROTEST THIS ACT OF AGGRESSION AT THIS SACRED HEBRON MOSGLE WHICH IN FACT IS AN AGGRESSION AGAINST THE MUSLIM WORLD AND WOLLD EARNESTLY REQUEST YOU TO CONDERN THIS ACT OF NAKED AGGRESSION AGAINST A FENOWNED MUSLIM FLACE OF WORSFIP.

MR FRESTCENT, WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT MUSLIMS IN ALL MUSLIM AND ARAB OCUNTRIES ARE GIVING FREEDOM TO THE JEWS TO PRACTICE THEIR RELIGION INSIDE THEIR TEMPLES BUT YOU KNOW THAT JEWS ARE NOT GIVING MUSLIMS THE FREEDOM TO PRACTICE THEIR RELIGION INSIDE THEIR HOLY PLACES. NOEODY DAN STOP ISRAEL EXCEPT YOU. WE WOULD THEREFORE LIKE YOU TO ACT AND SUPPORT JUSTICE.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

March 17, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

TRACEY COLE LAWLER

FROM:

Mr. De ALLEN J. LENZ

SUBJECT:

Peterson, Ronald K. HR-21: Should U.S. Recognize Jerusalem as Capital of Israel and Should U.S. Embassy be relocated to Jerusalem

The NSC concurs with the Department of State and opposes passage of House Concurrent Resolution 21 which expresses the sense of the Congress that the United States should recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and that the United States Embassy in Israel should be relocated to Jerusalem (Tab A).

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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TO: ALLEN J. LENZ FROM: GEOFFREY KEMP (The attached memorandum for your signature to Tracey Cole Lawler, OMB, opposes passage of HR-21. *** -v .



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503 March 11, 1981

LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO:

Legislative Liaison Officer-National Security Council

SUBJECT: State proposed report on H.Con.Res. 21 expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States should recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and that the United States Embassy in Israel should be relocated to Jerusalem."

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OMB Circular A-19.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than Tuesday, March 31, 1981.

Questions should be referred to Tracey Lawler (395-4710), the legislative analyst in this office, or to Bob Bauerlein (395-4580).

RONALD K. PETERSON FOR Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

97TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H. CON

H. CON. RES. 21

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States should recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, and that the United States Embassy in Israel should be relocated to Jerusalem.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 5, 1981

Mr. ROE submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- Expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States should recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, and that the United States Embassy in Israel should be relocated to Jerusalem.
- Whereas the city of Jerusalem has been the capital of the State of Israel since Israel's independence was declared in 1948; and
- Whereas the city of Jerusalem is the seat of Israel's President, Parliament, and Supreme Court, and the site of numerous government ministries and social and cultural institutions; and
- Whereas the city of Jerusalem is predominantly Jewish, and is the spiritual center of Judaism, and of no other religion; and

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1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate 2 concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that the 3 President and the Secretary of State should take all neces-4 sary steps to bring about—

5 (1) recognition by the United States of Jerusalem6 as the capital of Israel, and

7 (2) relocation of the United States Embassy in8 Israel to Jerusalem.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The following are Department of State comments on <u>House Concurrent Resolution 21</u> -- expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States should recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, and that the United States Embassy in Israel should be relocated to Jerusalem.

It has been the consistent position of the United States for over three decades that the final status of Jerusalem, as a city holy to three major faiths and as such recognized as special by the international community, should be the subject of negotiations among the concerned parties, and that the results should not be prejudged by unilateral actions. We believe determination of the ultimate status of Jerusalem is not an isolated problem, but is part of the entire complex of issues in the Arab-Israeli conflict. Within this framework, it has also been our consistent position that Jerusalem should never again be physically divided and that free access to its holy places and the basic rights of all the city's inhabitants should be assured.

The United States of course would welcome negotiations to determine the final status of Jerusalem on a basis acceptable to the concerned parties. In the meantime, the United States has refrained from moving its Embassy to Jerusalem. To do so now would be seen as a major change in US policy and would call into question our continued ability to carry forward the Camp David process and our efforts to conclude a comprehensive peace between Israel and all her Arab neighbors.

Therefore, the Department of State opposes passage of House Concurrent Resolution 21.

The Honorable Clement J. Zablocki, Chairman Committee on Foreign Affairs House of Representatives The Office of Management and Budget advises that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

Alvin Paul Drischler Acting Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

March 17, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:	TRACEY COLE LAWLER	LE
FROM:	ALLEN J. LENZ	Peterson, Ronald
SUBJECT:	HR-19 Re State Report on Strategic Importance of Israel to the U.S.	

The NSC concurs with the Department of State and poses no objection to House Concurrent Resolution 19 which expresses the sense of the Congress with respect to the strategic importance of Israel to the United States (Tab A).

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Re 1181 NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

March 16, 1981

TO: ALLEN J. LENZ FROM: GEOFFREY KEMP The attached memorandum is for your signature to Tracey Cole Lawler, OMB, relaying NSC

concurrence to HR-19.





EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WASHINGTON. D.C. 20503 March 11, 1981

LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO:

Legislative Liaison Officer-National Security Council

SUBJECT:

State proposed report on H.Con.Res. 19, expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to the strategic importance of Israel to the United States.

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OMB Circular A-19.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than Tuesday, March 31, 1981.

Questions should be referred to Tracey Cole Lawler (395-4710), the legislative analyst in this office.

RONALD K. PETERSON FOR Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

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97TH CONGRESS H. CON. RES. 19

Expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to the strategic importance of Israel to the United States.

1ST SESSION

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 5, 1981

Mr. ROE submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to the strategic importance of Israel to the United States.

- Whereas the strategic posture of the United States in the world is threatened, especially in the Middle East;
- Whereas American prestige is under attack, as witnessed by the killing of one United States Ambassador and the capture of another at gunpoint;
- Whereas in Iran the collapse of a friendly government has been replaced by an anti-Israeli administration;
- Whereas in the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen (South Yemen), Soviet and Cuban presence has increased and limited violent conflict has broken out with its northern neighbor, the Yemen Arab Republic;

- Whereas the formerly viable nation of Lebanon has been reduced through civil conflict and subversion to an invalid state;
- Whereas Israel is the wellspring of Judeo-Christian heritage, a democratic refuge for oppressed Jews, and a stalwart friend;
- Whereas it is the primary interest of the United States to seek peace for the Jewish nation with its neighbors, and the United States seeks friendly relations with all states in the region; and
- Whereas the State of Israel has never sought outside forces to defend itself and in times of uncertainty, has remained a source of strength and calm: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate 2 concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that, on 3 account of the recent political upheavals throughout the 4 Middle East, and given the strong cultural ties and bonds of 5 friendship between the United States and Israel, the United 6 States should reaffirm its historical security arrangements 7 with its faithful friend and ally, the State of Israel.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The following are Department of State comments on House Concurrent Resolution 19 -- expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to the strategic importance of Israel to the United States.

The United States has repeatedly made clear its strong friendship for Israel and its firm commitment to Israel's security. It is a friendship which includes a common cultural tradition and shared democratic values. In light of this relationship, and in light of Israel's military capability, the United States believes that Israel will have an important role to play in our strategy for the region.

The Department of State poses no objection to House Concurrent Resolution 19.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

Alvin Paul Drischler Acting Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations

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The Vice President's Meeting with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir

Friday, February 20, 2:30 p.m.

This meeting will be essentially a courtesy call, and we do not expect Shamir to go deeply into substantive issues. It will offer an opportunity for the Vice President to emphasize the importance we attach to our relationship with Israel, and to reiterate our long-standing commitment to Israel's security and well-being.

The Israelis give considerable importance to Shamir's visit to Washington, his first since the new Administration took office. He will have seen Congressional leaders on Thursday, February 19. On Friday, he will meet with the Secretary and be his guest at a working luncheon just before calling on the Vice President, and will see Secretary Weinberger later on the same afternoon. Ambassador Evron will accompany the Foreign Minister to the Vice President's office and the Secretary will also be with them. On February 24, Shamir will see the President.

While Shamir's comprehension of English is excellent, he is not altogether sure of himself in the spoken idiom. Quiet and somewhat reserved by nature, he may seem reluctant to inject himself into the conversation. In the Vice President's initial remarks, it would be helpful and appreciated by Shamir if he would affirm the Administration's commitment to Israel's security and well-being, and the importance of the strategic objectives we share with Israel. The Vice President could also underscore our intention to continue and intensify our strategic dialogue with Israel on the best ways to enhance the West's strategic position in the area. Finally, the Vice President could note the close partnership of our two countries in the search for a comprehensive Middle East peace.

Shamir will raise a number of topics in his meetings with Secretaries Haig and Weinberger relating to Israel's defense requirements and the search for peace. Of major

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concern to Israel right now is our decision to provide F-15 enhancement equipment to the Saudis and our proposals to strengthen Israeli defense capabilities. He could well raise this question with the Vice President, since for domestic political reasons, the Begin Government has to adopt a public stance of opposition, although it appears to have decided not to mount an all-out campaign. The position to be taken with Shamir on this subject will depend on the outcome of an NSC meeting that is to take place this week. Additional material on this issue will be provided following the meeting.

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Shamir may express Israeli unhappiness about the European Community's Middle East initiative, which calls for Palestinian self-determination and PLO association with the negotiations. The Vice President can tell Shamir that we share Israel's concerns that the Europeans not complicate our own efforts, and that we will be discussing this with the British, French, and other in the weeks ahead.

Finally, Shamir may stress the strong Israeli desire to have a U.S. presence in a multinational force called for in the Treaty to carry out the security arrangements in the Sinai in connection with final Israeli withdrawal next year.

The Vice President can indicate that he understands detailed consultations are to begin next week and that the United States intends to work closely with Egypt and Israel to develop arrangements satisfactory to the parties.

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February 19, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM:

GEOFFREY KEMP Vice President's Meeting with SUBJECT: Israeli Foreign Minister Shamir, February 20, 1981

RICHARD V. ALLEN

The memorandum for your signature at Tab I forwards a briefing paper for the Vice President's meeting with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Friday, February 20 at 2:30 p.m. Biographic sketches of Foreign Minister Shamir and of Ambassador Evron are also attached.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memorandum to the Vice President at Tab I.

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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON

February 17, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR ALLEN LENZ

FROM:

Nancy Bearg Dyke M&D

SUBJECT: Vice President's Meeting with Israeli Foreign Minister Shamir

The Vice President has agreed to meet with Israeli Foreign Minister Shamir on Friday, February 20, at 2:30 p.m. May we please have any relevant talking points and background papers for the Vice President's use by opening of business, Thursday, February 19. Thank you.



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February 18, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD V. ALLEN

THE WHITE HOUSE

The Vice President's Meeting with Israeli SUBJECT: Foreign Minister Shamir

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