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## US PLANES TO ARABS

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- Secretary of State William P. Rogers and Assistant Secretary of State Joseph J. Sisco have admitted to Congress that the U.S. government plans to sell a reported 24-30 F-4 Phantom Jets to Saudi Arabia. Testifying before the House Foreign Affairs Committee, both State Department officials stressed that the sale would not upset the balance of power in the Middle East nor does it mean any change in the Nixon Administration's policy of supporting Israel. They said the sale was for the purpose of helping Saudi Arabia offset threats from Soviet supported regimes on or near its border.

But Sisco said there was no way the State Department could guarantee that the Saudis would not transfer the jets to a third country to be used against Israel. He said he was confident that this would not happen because of the friendship between the US and Saudi Arabia, the provision in the agreement that bars such transfer without US approval and the deepening of the relations between the two countries.

However in Tel Aviv Israel's former Ambassador to the United States, Gen. Yitzhak Rabin, said that the US was well aware that American arms sent to Arab countries would be used against Israel in case of war. He said the best proof was the tanks sent to Jordan under the US-Jordanian arms deal of 1966 which were used against Israel in the 1967 war. U.S. tanks crossed the Jor-

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dan River although expressly forbidden to do so under the arms deal terms, Rabin said, and 100 were captured.

Israel has been concerned about the sales of arms to Saudi Arabia, which wants to purchase about \$1 million worth of sophisticated weapons and Kuwait, which wants \$500 million worth. Rogers said no decision has been made whether to sell Phantom jets to Kuwait.

Rogers observed that both Saudi Arabia and Kuwait are negotiating with other countries for arms and if the US did not sell it to them others will. He said the US wants to promote regional security in the Arab peninsula and the Persian Gulf where it has important interests.

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Sisco denied that the "so-called energy crisis" has anything to do with the proposed sale. He said the US arms program for Iran, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait was aimed at their security and noted that the Soviet Union has supplied arms, including MIGS to Iraq, South Yemen and Aden. However, he con-

ceded, that the US wants to strengthen Kuwait to enable it to continue being a major supplier of oil and to discourage pressures from Iraq.

Both Sisco and Rogers insisted that the US has a national interest to support Israel and to improve relations with the Arab countries.

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## CANNON SUPPORTS TAXPAYERS

WASHINGTON -- A taxpayer who successfully challenges the government in a tax case would be able to recover reasonable court costs under legislation co-sponsored by Senator Howard Cannon.

Cannon noted that, as the law now stands, a taxpayer accused of wrongdoing frequently finds it less expensive to pay an alleged shortage than to contest the

Internal Revenue Service in court.

"This system is not only unjust to the taxpayer, but tempts some IRS officials to resort to tactics often bordering on extortion," Cannon said.

Cannon's bill would allow a citizen to challenge the IRS in court with knowledge he would recover reasonable costs of litigation if he prevailed.

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