Senator Kennedy Addresses Israel Bond Conference

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BOSTON (WNS) -Sen. Edward Kennedy strongly Mass.) criticized those who say that Syria has been "helpful" in the Middle East, especially when it comes to bringing about peaceful relations between Israel and the Arab

The world knows the truth," he told more than 500 Jewish leaders from the United States and Canada attending Israel national leadership conference here, "Syria has been most helpful to tension and terrorism, to Soviet adventurism and to the war in Lebanon. And anyone in our government who thinks Syria has been helpful in any other way deserves to be swiftly helped from

Kennedy was apparently referring to a statement by Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy who told a House Foreign Affairs subcommittee last July that Syria was playing a "helpful role" in Lebanon. He was immediately criticized by some of the subcommittee members.

Kennedy, in his address to the Israel Bond conference. declared that "The key to peace between Israel and the Arabs has been within reach for many years, and the Arabs could grasp that key at any time. Israel is ready now. Let its enemies now take the critical step back from the brink of recurring conflict."

Kennedy, referring to the new government in Israel, said: "Today we all share the high hope for the national unity government that has just been approved - that together Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Shamir will achieve a new spirit of cooperation which can make Israel truly invincible in the defense of freedom - and the pursuit of peace.

Condemning Soviets for their actions against Jewish dissidents, the Senator declared: "Soviets may shut down classes in Hebrew, or confiscate books of Jewish learning. They may imprison Zionists, and persecute innocent men women whose only crime is that they believe in the God of their fathers. But they can never kill the idea of

Peres To Meet With Reagan October 8 In Washington

He concluded: "We Premier renew our own resolve to advance the cause of President Reagan in Israel - for it is part of 8, it was announced matters. the cause of America itrecently. The arrangeself -- of a world safe not ments were concluded working only for our own country, but for the noblest and most decent aspirations Samuel Lewis, Peres will

the Bond Organization's posthumously for his first Harry S. Truman brother, President John Award F. Kennedy.

JERUSALEM (WNS) also confer in Washing-Shimon ton with Secretary of Peres will meet with State George Shultz and their talks are expected Washington on October to focus on economic

two-day visit at a meeting of Peres Washington, less than a with U.S. Ambassador month from now, establishes the time frame in which the new Labor-Likud unity government must set in motion its economic austerity pro-

Peres is expected to seek additional large economic aid from the U.S., beyond the \$2.5 billion the Reagan Administration allocated in outright grants for fiscal 1985. The unity government's economic program therefore must be seen as viable in the U.S. by the time Peres meets with the President and Secretary of State.

Lewis told reporters while Presidents

campaigning for reelection have little time to see visiting foreign dignitaries, Israel's "special relationship" with the U.S. made a difference in this case. He said there was "great receptivity" in Washington to the new Premier and the unity government.

Peres will preceded to Washington by Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai who will hold talks with top Administration officials

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