**U.S.: Direct Israel-Arab Talks** Are Best Road To Peace

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WASH. (WNS) - The Reagan Administration maintained that the best way to achieve peace in the Middle East was through direct talks between Israel and the Arabs rather than the international conference called for in a joint com-King munique by Hussein of Jordan and Hosni President

"We don't believe that such an international conference will lead to results," productive State Department deputy spokesman Alan Romberg said. He said the U.S. feels that the "most

practical course is direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab parties concerned as envisioned by the Camp David process."

The joint communique, issued simultaneously in Cairo and Amman after three days of talks between Hussein and Mubarak in Cairo, called for an international conference under the auspices of the United Nations, attended by "all parties concerned, including the PLO."

## Shamir: U.S.-Israel **Ties 'Are Better** Than At Any **Time In The Past**

LOS ANGELES (WNS) - Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir of Israel said here that relabetween the tions United States and Israel "are better than at any time in the past."

The U.S., he told 1,400 guests from the U.S., Canada, Europe and Latin America attending an inter national Bond tribute to Dr. Armand Hammer. "understands that a strong Israel is important to the interests of the free world in our region and that a strong Israel means an economically Sound Israel.

The Foreign Minister declared that the recent agreement by the U.S. and Israel to establish a free trade zone will "boost our industry and our exports to the United States and enable us to redress our foreign trade balance.'

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