

Mubarak Leaves Washington Empty-Handed

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but does not explicitly mention Resolution 242 and 338. The U.S. has refused to recognize the PLO until it accepts those resolutions and specifically recognizes Israel's right to exist.)

But Mubarak, like the Reagan Administration, was careful to avoid the appearance that nothing had been accomplished by his discussions in Washington and that he was returning to Egypt disappointed. "I came here not seeking decisions now," he said. "I just came to exchange views."

Mubarak met with President Reagan. In his statement at the White House following the meeting, Reagan alluded to recent proposals by Mubarak which have included a

call for direct negotiations between Israel and a joint Palestinian-Jordanian delegation, as well as the suggestion of holding preliminary talks between the delegation and U.S. government officials.

Calling the suggestions "a positive contribution," Reagan said, "We note particularly by your realistic assessment that the path to peace between Israel and its Arab neighbors is through direct negotiations."

In a briefing, a senior Administration official said the meeting had produced no U.S. commitments on Mubarak's proposals. "It was a discussion where one answer led to another question, so it's an unfolding process," the official said.

Mubarak met for an hour with a group of 20 American Jewish leaders. Kenneth Bialkin, chairman of the Conference of Presi-

dents of Major American Jewish Organizations, who headed the delegation, told reporters that Mubarak had expressed the view that

Canada Affirms Right Of Palestinians To West Bank Home

MONTREAL (WNS) — External Affairs Minister Joe Clark reaffirmed Canada's support for Israel's right to live within secure and internationally recognized borders while indicating at the same time support for "the right of the Palestinians for a home on the West Bank."

Clark spoke at the annual conference for members of Parliament sponsored by the Canada-Israel Committee, after having conferred earlier with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who is here for a six-day visit.

Shamir told guests at the Committee's gala

dinner that proposals recently made by Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organization agreeing on a basis for peace negotiations in the Middle East were "intended to confuse and mislead."

"Israel cannot and will not seek peace at any price as some Arab leaders propose," Shamir said. "They aim at a peace not with Israel but to a position in which Israel will not exist."

there could be no solution to the Arab-Israel conflict unless both sides sat down with each other and talked.

Mubarak justified his proposals for a Jordanian-Palestinian-American meeting as a way of making a 'psychological' breaking toward peace. We told him his idea would serve to delay the peace process, which could only advance when Israel met directly with Jordan and a non-PLO delegation of Palestinian Arabs," Bialkin said.

After leaving Washington, Mubarak flew to Great Britain for a two day visit to drum up support for his peace plan. Egyptian officials in London said he also hoped to win a promise of British pressure on the U.S. in this connection.

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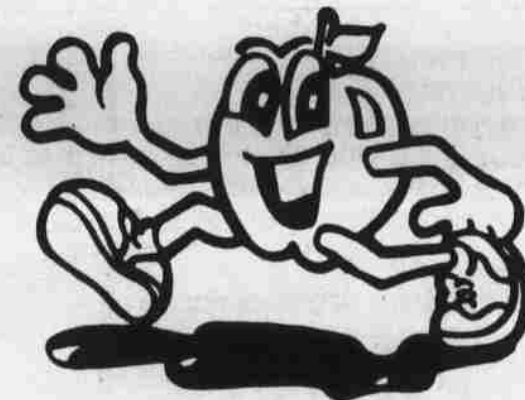
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