

Reagan To Veto Resolution Rejecting Saudi Arms Deal

WASHINGTON (WNS) — President Reagan has reiterated his intention to veto the Congressional resolution rejecting his proposed sale of \$354 million in missiles to Saudi Arabia.

"It is the President's intention to veto this resolution and to work actively with members of both Houses of Congress to sustain that veto," White House spokesperson Larry Speakes said.

His statement came after the House voted 356-62 to reject the sale. The Senate had rejected the sale by a 73-22 vote. This is the first time Congress has disapproved an arms sale. The White House statement, which was repeated by the State Department, said that "the Congress has endangered our long-standing security ties with Saudi Arabia, calling into question the validity of U.S. commitments to its friends throughout the Middle East, in particular, our ability to act as a balanced arbitrator in the search for a peaceful resolution to the Arab-Israeli conflict."

It will take a two-thirds vote of both Houses to override the President's veto. Both Sen. Alan Cranston (D. Cal.) and Rep. Mel Levine (D. Cal.) who led the move to reject the sale in their respective houses, believe it can be done since the Senate vote was six more and the House vote 67 more than

the needed two-thirds majority.

However, the Administration is expected to concentrate on the Republican-controlled Senate where it is felt that some of the Republicans who voted to reject the sale would not vote against a Reagan veto.

At the same time, observers note the overwhelming votes in both Houses which go beyond the traditional support for Israel in Congress. Both the government of Israel and the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), while opposed to the sale, did not lobby against it.

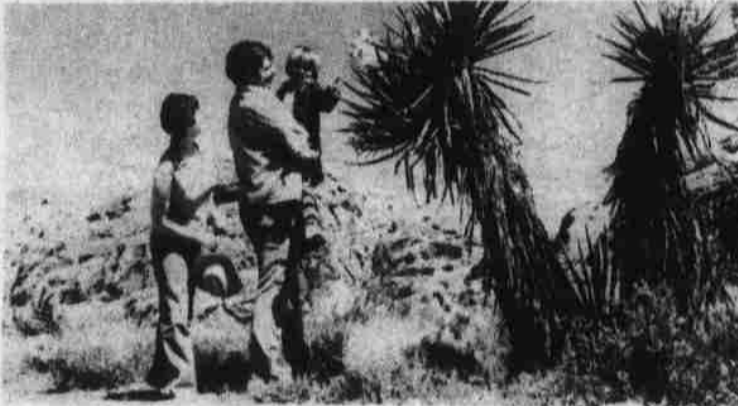
The large vote was seen as a reaction to Saudi Arabia's condemnation of the U.S. strike against Libya and to the Saudis' financial support of the PLO and Syria. The fight over the missiles is only a prelude to the battle that may break out in June when the Administration is expected to present the necessary certification to Congress to allow it to begin delivering the AWACS sold to Saudi Arabia in 1981.

Throughout the debate over the missile sale, Congressional opponents have argued that the Saudis have done nothing to support the peace process and have, instead, hindered it.

Las Vegas Celebrates The Third Annual National Tourism Week



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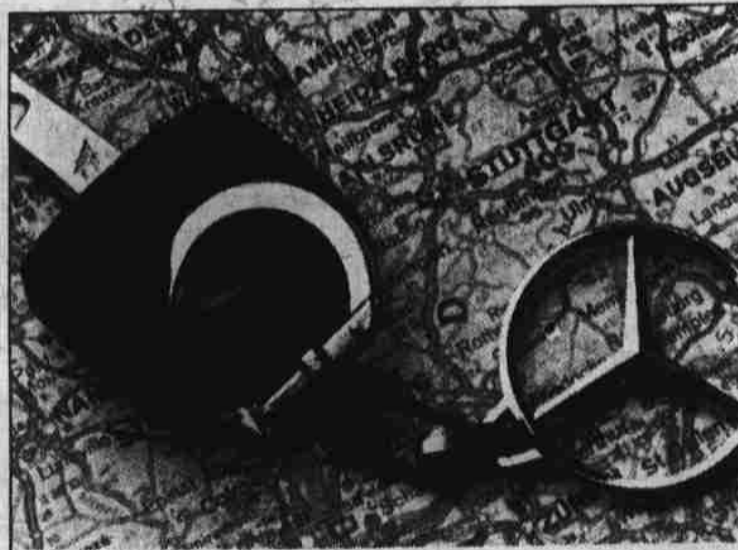


With the increasing popularity of Las Vegas as a family vacation spot, the Southern Nevada desert offers scenic attractions for family explorations.

Las Vegas, along with cities and states across the country join the nation's travel and tourism industry in celebrating the third annual National Tourism Week, May 18-24.

Tourism ranks as the number one industry in Nevada and the second largest industry in the United States, in terms of the number of people it employs.

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"There is no doubt that we are on a roll," said Frank Sain, Executive Director of the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority. "The leaders of the industry in Las Vegas and all the employees pulled together last year to bring about record numbers and unsurpassed volume. That is truly something to celebrate."

The entire state of Nevada will be honoring the week of May 18-24, with a proclamation from Gov. Richard Bryan and resolutions passed by many local governmental bodies.

On a national level, President Reagan has declared the week of May 18th National Tourism Week for all cities across the nation.

"This week has already proved to be a highly successful vehicle for increasing public awareness of the contributions of the nation's third largest retail industry," said William Edwards, a vice chairman of the board of Hilton Hotels Corporation. Edwards, who is co-chairman of the National Tourism Council with Undersecretary Donna Tuttle, is also President of the American Hotel & Motel Association and served as National Chairman of the Travel Industries of America.

Tuttle, undersecretary of commerce for travel and tourism, said she hopes people will use the occasion to remember the impact travel and tourism has on the economy of many cities across the country.

TEL AVIV (WNS) — A man and two children were slightly injured by Katyusha rockets fired into Upper Galilee. The 107 mm. rockets appeared to have been fired from outside the south Lebanon security zone.

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