

## White House Cool To Initiative Rev. Jackson Plans Syria Trip To Free Lt. Goodman

WASHINGTON — The Rev. Jesse Jackson says he will go to Syria with a group of American religious leaders on Friday to try to win the release of a Navy flier shot down three weeks ago. The Syrians call Navy Lt. Robert O. Goodman Jr. a prisoner of war who will be held until American Marines leave Lebanon.

"His presence as a prisoner of war can be a catalyst for war or peace," Jackson said. "We do not want him to be a sacrificial lamb, caught in the crossfire of an undeclared and unauthorized war."

The U.S. government, stung by the efforts of Jesse Jackson and the missed opportunities of its special Mideast envoy, is making "direct and continuous" efforts at freeing Navy Lt. Robert Goodman from his Syrian captors, the State Department said Monday.

"We have been pursuing the release of Lieutenant Goodman in a direct and continuous manner at a high level of the Syrian government," State Department spokesman Joseph Reap said in a written statement.

Jackson, the Chicago-based civil rights leader,

said he received a telegram from the Syrian Ambassador to Washington on Dec. 24 welcoming his proposed visit to Damascus.

The White House has been cool to Jackson's initiative.

## Motorists With Unpaid Tickets Have Two Days

Motorists with unpaid traffic tickets for moving violations have two days left to pay them without also paying for the cost of the warrant for their arrest, Municipal Court Administrator Mick Little said Tuesday.

Chief Municipal Judge Seymore Brown last month declared the "warrant moratorium" through December, but the last day the court will be open to accept the payment of fines is Thursday.

Little stressed that the moratorium does not include parking tickets, but only other traffic violations.

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