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I. Conceptual/General

Israel's major problem is how to protect Israel's narrow waist, which is the most populated area of the country.

Even in peacetime, Israel should be able to protect itself; shouldn't be too optimistic about stability; always will be states and organizations that oppose peace.

Israel should be able to protect itself from an attack from the East. Highlands are necessary for observing attack from East. Israel can't rely on any foreign powers to defend it.

Israel must have guarantees that the area remain demilitarized. [Assumption was that this is acceptable to the Palestinians.]

- II. Specific Demands
- A. 2-3 early warning stations in the West Bank highlands.
- B. Specified roads for emergency access: 1 N-S; 2 W-E. Israelis decide what constitutes an emergency. Using roads does not require Pal. permission only notification.
- C. Seek right to deploy forces in emergency situation along defensive line in Jordan Valley & necessary arrangements that will make this possible.
- D. Joint patrols along Pal-Jordan borders. Goal is to prevent smuggling of weapons, people (e.g. terrorist cells).

[Implicitly, seemed to seek control over certain areas on Jordan border – didn't elaborate on what they meant – what "control" means; whether it applies to part of border or all of it.]

E. Seek security control over Pal. airspace.

Our response:

Pal. side refused everything except

Early warning stations, in principle.

Joint patrols in specific areas and for specific amount of time.

Most of discussion was spent on formula that would make it possible for security teams to start discussing security.

Pal. team's red line was that Pal. has full sovereignty over Jordan Valley & that E. border is Jordan River.

Israelis willing to assume these things for sake of discussion – but not to agree to these things.