

April 29
Four Seasons
NAT + GOP Jewish
LEADERS

SENATOR:

Here's a draft for your speech to Jewish Republican leaders tomorrow.

Dale, I and the others we've directly consulted with -- Leonard Bell, Howard Kohr, Don Devine, Ally Milder and others -- we all agree this is an important speech. If it goes well, it should go a good way toward burying the unfair but lingering criticism of your recent meeting with the Arab-Americans -- the PLO item on the end is the ultimate answer to the criticism.

This also could show up well against Kemp (who will probably just be trooping out a laundry list of great things he's done for Israel and Jewish Americans) and Bush (who will be constrained by Administration policy from being very creative).

I've tried this out on Kohr, Milder and -- in substance but not detail -- on a good friend from the Israeli Embassy. All agree that it is very meaty and will be well received -- not as a stem-winder, but as a thoughtful, future-oriented approach to US-Israeli relations.

The principle "meat" in it: (1) tying US-Israeli relations to NATO's southern flank needs, and putting US-Israeli relations into a global, anti-Soviet context; not done by anyone else of prominence yet; (2) the strong push for SDI cooperation, especially tying the ATBM project in Israel to NATO's post-INF agreement needs; timely and technically sound -- and good for SDI fans; (3) the call for accelerated work on joint weaponry R&D and production -- a great idea that is languishing in the Administration and needs a shot in the arm; and (4) the legislative initiative on the closing of the PLO offices -- the main news peg (though I'd be willing to bet we get a lot more long term interest in #1 above).

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P.S. As I paged this, I realized it's too long -- it can be easily boiled down. - *if the thrust & ideas are ok.*

DRAFT SPEECH
JEWISH REPUBLICAN LEADERS

AMERICA'S BEST FRIEND IN THE MIDDLE EAST

I WANT TO TALK TO YOU TODAY ABOUT AMERICA'S BEST FRIEND IN THE MIDDLE EAST -- ONE OF OUR BEST AND MOST LOYAL FRIENDS ANYWHERE -- THE STATE OF ISRAEL.

IT PROBABLY COMES AS NO GREAT SHOCK THAT I WOULD CHOOSE ISRAEL AS A TOPIC. I KNOW YOU ARE ALL DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THAT NATION -- IT'S SECURITY; IT'S ECONOMIC WELL-BEING. AND NO DOUBT ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SPOKEN BEFORE ME TODAY HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR OWN STRONG SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL, AND OUTLINED SOME OF THEIR IDEAS ON HOW TO STRENGTHEN U.S.-ISRAELI RELATIONS.

NEW PERSPECTIVE, NEW INITIATIVE

BUT I WANT TO TALK ABOUT ISRAEL FROM A LITTLE DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE THAN MOST.

AND I WANT TO PROPOSE A NEW INITIATIVE: TO BEGIN EXPLORING WITH ISRAEL IN A MORE COMPREHENSIVE AND CONCRETE WAY -- AND IN COOPERATION WITH OUR NATO AND ASIAN ALLIES -- A NEW LEVEL OF STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP; IN THE FIRST INSTANCE AIMED AT STABILIZING AND SHORING UP NATO'S SOUTHERN FLANK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

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SHARED VALUES, SHARED EXPERIENCES

U.S.-ISRAELI RELATIONS ARE UNIQUE, THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT. THERE IS A PERSONAL, ALMOST EMOTIONAL ELEMENT TO THE WAY THAT MOST AMERICANS LOOK AT ISRAEL -- AND I AM TALKING ABOUT AMERICANS OF ALL FAITHS AND ETHNIC BACKGROUNDS.

ISRAEL IS THE "CHAMPION," FIGHTING FOR RIGHT, THAT ALL AMERICANS ADMIRE. IT IS THE "UNDERDOG," FIGHTING AGAINST GREAT ODDS, THAT ALL AMERICANS LOVE.

WHEN I HEAR ISRAELIS TALK, AS I HAVE SO OFTEN, ABOUT THEIR LOVE OF COUNTRY AND THEIR WILLINGNESS TO RISK THEIR OWN LIVES TO DEFEND THEIR FREEDOMS -- I KNOW WHAT THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT. I'VE BEEN THERE. MANY IN THIS ROOM, AND MILLIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, HAVE BEEN THERE, TOO.

COMMON INTERESTS, COMMON GOALS

AND, ON A GEOPOLITICAL LEVEL, TOO, U.S.-ISRAELI RELATIONS ARE SPECIAL. WE SHARE WITH ISRAEL NOT JUST THE TRANSIENT INTERESTS ON WHICH MANY OTHER RELATIONSHIPS ARE BUILT; BUT A NEAR IDENTITY OF FUNDAMENTAL GOALS, BOTH REGIONALLY AND GLOBALLY.

IT IS NOT AN ACCIDENT THAT WE ACCOMPLISHED OUR FIRST

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BILATERAL FREE TRADE AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL -- AN AGREEMENT I WAS PROUD TO SHEPHERD THROUGH THE SENATE, WHEN I WAS MAJORITY LEADER. IT IS BECAUSE WE HAVE A SHARING OF ECONOMIC GOALS WITH ISRAEL, AND THE KIND OF RELATIONSHIP OF MUTUAL RESPECT AND TRUST THAT ALLOWED US TO WORK OUR A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL DEAL.

THE BOTTOM LINE IS SIMPLE: WHEN THE CHIPS ARE DOWN -- AND ESPECIALLY WHEN IT'S TIME TO PUT OUR MILITARY FORCE WHERE OUR MOUTH IS -- IT IS ISRAEL WE USUALLY TURN TO FIRST, FOR HELP AND SUPPORT. AND I DON'T HAVE TO TELL THIS AUDIENCE THAT ISRAEL IS ALWAYS THERE.

A NEW PERSPECTIVE

YET, DESPITE ALL THIS, I SOMETIMES WONDER WHETHER BOTH SIDES ARE NOT SHORT-CHANGING OUR ALLIANCE. I WONDER IF THERE ARE NOT EVEN GREATER BENEFITS THAT WE CAN DERIVE FROM OUR UNIQUE TIES, IF WE WILL JUST TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES.

AS I SAID AT THE OUTSET, WE THINK OF ISRAEL AS OUR BEST FRIEND IN THE MIDDLE EAST; A MAJOR REGIONAL POWER; THE KEY TO HALTING THE EXPANSION OF SOVIET POWER IN THAT PART OF THE WORLD.

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ISN'T IT TIME TO BEGIN THINKING OF ISRAEL IN EVEN BROADER TERMS? NOT JUST AS A REGIONAL, BUT A GLOBAL, PLAYER. NOT JUST AS AN ALLY IN THE MIDDLE EAST, BUT A VITAL LINK IN U.S. SECURITY RELATIONSHIPS STRETCHING FROM NATO TO JAPAN.

ISRAEL IS A NATION WHOSE UNIQUE LOCATION; POTENT MILITARY FORCES AND TECHNOLOGICAL POTENTIAL; DEMONSTRATED POLITICAL WILL AND ABILITY TO ACT IN CRISIS; AND ADROIT INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMACY -- ALL COMBINE TO GIVE IT THE POTENTIAL TO IMPACT ON ISSUES THAT GO BEYOND THE MIDDLE EAST; INCLUDING THOSE ISSUES THAT GO TO THE HEART OF THE ULTIMATE THREAT TO BOTH COUNTRIES -- THE GLOBAL SOVIET CHALLENGE TO SECURITY AND FREEDOM.

WE TALK A GREAT DEAL, AND WITH GOOD REASON, ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING ISRAEL'S TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY FROM ATTACK BY ITS IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORS. WITHOUT UNDERESTIMATING THAT TASK AT ALL, I THINK IT'S TIME TO LOOK BEYOND THAT IMMEDIATE TASK AND BEGIN EXPLORING SERIOUSLY THE FUTURE POSSIBILITIES OF STRATEGIC COOPERATION ON A GLOBAL SCALE.

BUILDING ON THE WORK OF THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION

NOW, THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION HAS BEGUN THIS PROCESS.

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IT WORKED OUT THE FIRST MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON STRATEGIC COOPERATION WITH ISRAEL, AND SAW IT SIGNED IN 1981. IT WORKED OUT THE PROCEDURES FOR THE JOINT U.S.-ISRAEL MILITARY GROUP TO OVERSEE STRATEGIC COOPERATION, AND PUT THOSE PROCEDURES IN PLACE IN 1983. AND AS A RESULT, WE DO COOPERATE WITH ISRAEL ON MATTERS SUCH AS JOINT PLANNING, JOINT MILITARY EXERCISES AND THE PREPOSITIONING OF LOGISTICS FOR POTENTIAL MILITARY OPERATIONS.

I APPLAUD PRESIDENT REAGAN FOR THESE INITIATIVES. HE DESERVES CREDIT FOR RECOGNIZING AND ARTICULATING IN CONCRETE WAYS THE STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF ISRAEL; AND FOR PUTTING SOME REAL "MEAT" ON THE BONES OF OUR STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIP.

BUT, IN MY VIEW, EVEN THESE STEPS ARE NOT ENOUGH. THERE IS MORE WE CAN DO TO STRENGTHEN OUR ALLIANCE; AND MORE BOTH NATIONS CAN DERIVE FROM EXPANDED STRATEGIC COOPERATION.

THIS IS NOT JUST RHETORIC; IT'S NOT PIE-IN-THE SKY.

THERE ARE THINGS WE CAN START DOING NOW; AND THINGS WE CAN START THINKING ABOUT FOR THE FUTURE.

LET ME OFFER SOME EXAMPLES.

ISRAEL AND NATO'S SOUTHERN FLANK

I WOULD START WITH THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND

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SURROUNDING AREAS. THE SOVIET THREAT THERE IS MANIFEST IN IMPORTANT CLIENT STATES -- LIBYA AND SYRIA, TO NAME BUT TWO. THE SOVIET NAVAL PRESENCE HAS INCREASED DRAMATICALLY DURING THE LAST DECADE. THE RECENT SOVIET OFFER OF ESCORTS FOR KUWAITI SHIPPING REFLECTS THE AGGRESSIVENESS WITH WHICH THE SOVIETS ARE MOVING IN THE WATERS OF THAT REGION. AND SOVIET DIPLOMACY IS ACTIVE AND EFFECTIVE -- AS WITNESS THE MORE FREQUENT CONTACTS BETWEEN MOSCOW AND ATHENS.

MEANWHILE, NATO'S SOUTHERN FLANK IS BEING SHAKEN BY CONTINUING TENSIONS BETWEEN TURKEY AND GREECE, AND THE THORNY ISSUE OF CYPRUS. OUR BASE RIGHTS ARE BEING CHALLENGED; AT A MINIMUM, THE COST OF MAINTAINING THOSE BASES IS LIKELY TO GO UP. ACCESS INTO THE MEDITERRANEAN FROM THE WEST IS JEOPARDIZED BY OUR BASE DISPUTES WITH SPAIN. AND FRIENDLY NATIONS LIKE EGYPT AND TUNISIA ARE BESET BY PERIODIC POLITICAL TENSION AND INSTABILITY.

IT BOILS DOWN TO THIS: THERE IS NO ABSOLUTELY FIRM AND RELIABLE ANCHOR FOR WESTERN DEFENSES IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN, WITHIN THE NATO STRUCTURE. THIS IS THE UNDERBELLY OF NATO -- AND RIGHT NOW, A DANGEROUSLY SOFT UNDERBELLY.

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ISRAEL AS A FIRM ANCHOR

ISN'T IT TIME WE EXPLORED MORE FULLY ISRAEL'S POTENTIAL TO BE THE "FIRM ANCHOR" WE NEED IN THAT REGION? ISN'T IT TIME TO INITIATE CONCRETE TALKS WITH ISRAEL ON THE KIND OF COOPERATION THAT COULD HELP FILL THE BIG STRATEGIC GAP, THE "RELIABILITY GAP," THAT NOW EXISTS ON NATO'S SOUTHERN FLANK? THE KIND OF COOPERATION THAT MIGHT PROVIDE US WITH THE SECURE SITES, THE NEEDED LOGISTICS, THE BASIC RESOURCES THAT ARE ADJUNCTS TO OUR ABILITY TO PROJECT AMERICAN POWER, AND PROTECT NATO'S FLANKS, IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN? THAT COULD BE MELDED IN A CLOSE OPERATIONAL OR EVEN STRUCTURAL WAY INTO NATO'S OWN PLANS FOR DEFENDING THE REGION?

INDEED, IT STRIKES ME THAT EVEN THE HINT OF SUCH TALKS WITH ISRAEL COULD HAVE A VERY SALUTARY EFFECT IN TURKEY AND GREECE -- NATIONS WHICH, FOR ALL THE LEGITIMATE CONCERNS THAT EACH HAS AND IS PURSUING, ARE CERTAINLY NOT UNMINDFUL THAT THE BASES GIVE THEM POLITICAL LEVERAGE OVER US. ISN'T IT TIME TO REMIND THEM THAT WE HAVE SOME CARDS TO PLAY, SOME OTHER FRIENDS TO RELY ON, IN THAT PART OF THE WORLD?

IN SUM, LET US QUIT LOOKING AT THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN

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AS HAVING A "NATO AREA" AND A "MIDDLE EAST" AREA, AND BEGIN TO RECOGNIZE THAT IT IS ONE, BIG, AND NOW VULNERABLE AREA. AND THAT ISRAEL IS THE ONE PLAYER THERE WITH THE NEAR TERM POTENTIAL TO CLOSE THE WINDOW OF VULNERABILITY THAT EXISTS.

NOR IS THAT THE ONLY OPPORTUNITY FOR CLOSER U.S.-ISRAELI STRATEGIC COOPERATION.

ISRAEL'S ROLE IN SDI

ISRAEL CAN BECOME A KEY PARTNER IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STRATEGIC DEFENSE INITIATIVE. WE SHOULD NOT ONLY WELCOME THIS ROLE; WE SHOULD ENCOURAGE IT. ISRAELI TECHNOLOGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC CAPABILITIES ARE IMPRESSIVE. ITS ABILITY TO CARRY ON HIGHLY FOCUSED, HIGHLY EFFICIENT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IS WORLD CLASS, IN EVERY SENSE OF THE WORD.

ISRAEL IS ALREADY WORKING HARD ON R&D FOR AN ANTI-TACTICAL BALLISTIC MISSILE SYSTEM, THE ATBM. THE TECHNOLOGIES INVOLVED FIT DIRECTLY INTO OUR OWN SDI RESEARCH PROGRAM; AN ATBM SYSTEM ITSELF COULD BE INTEGRATED AS A PHASE IN A MORE COMPREHENSIVE U.S. SDI NETWORK -- AND THE REPORTS I GET ON THE QUALITY AND PACE OF THE ISRAELI R&D EFFORT SUGGEST THAT "PHASE" COULD BE READY FOR ACTUAL

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DEPLOYMENT FAR EARLIER THAN ANYONE HAS IMAGINED UNTIL NOW.

ISRAEL AND WESTERN EUROPE: THE THREAT IS SIMILAR

AND KEEP THIS IN MIND, TOO: THE BALLISTIC MISSILE THREAT THAT ISRAEL FACES, AND IS WORKING HARD TO NEUTRALIZE THROUGH ITS ATBM, IS SIMILAR IN MANY, MANY WAYS TO THE THREAT THAT NATO FACES IN EUROPE. INDEED, MANY OF THE IDENTICAL SOVIET SYSTEMS POINTED AT ISRAEL FROM SYRIA ALSO FACE WESTERN EUROPE FROM THE WARSAW PACT NATIONS.

AND, SHOULD WE SUCCEED IN ACHIEVING AN ACCEPTABLE INF AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIETS -- ONE WHICH LED TO THE ELIMINATION OF ALL OR NEARLY ALL INF SYSTEMS WORLDWIDE -- ISRAEL'S BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE PROBLEM WOULD LOOK EVEN MORE LIKE WESTERN EUROPE'S. AND ISRAEL'S EFFORT TO RESOLVE ITS OWN PROBLEM WOULD BE EVEN MORE DIRECTLY APPLICABLE TO NATO'S DEFENSE NEEDS.

TODAY, ISRAELI FIRMS ARE BIDDING ON SDI PROJECTS, INCLUDING IN THE ATBM AREA. THOSE ISRAELI PROPOSALS SHOULD BE GIVEN A FAIR SHOT -- NOT BECAUSE ISRAEL IS OUR FRIEND, BUT BECAUSE THEY CAN MAKE A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO AMERICA'S, AND TO THE FREE WORLD'S, DEFENSES.

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WEAPONRY R&D AND PRODUCTION

AND LET ME ALSO SUGGEST, IN THIS REGARD, THAT WE START LOOKING A LOT MORE SERIOUSLY AT THE POSSIBILITY OF A GREATER INTEGRATION OF ISRAELI R&D AND PRODUCTION OF WEAPONRY ACROSS THE BOARD INTO THE U.S. AND NATO EFFORT.

THINK ABOUT IT FOR A MOMENT: ISRAEL OPERATES IN A DEFENSE ENVIRONMENT -- AN "ENVELOPE" OF OPERATIONS -- THAT DUPLICATES THE TACTICAL ENVIRONMENT OF WESTERN EUROPE. ISRAEL'S DIRECT THREAT, LIKE NATO'S, IS JUST ACROSS THE NEXT LAND BORDER. IT'S MILITARY HARDWARE NEEDS, LIKE NATO'S, ARE BASED ON THE NEED FOR RAPID AND FLEXIBLE RESPONSE. AND, TRAGICALLY, ISRAEL -- UNLIKE NATO -- HAS ALREADY HAD TO TEST ITS EQUIPMENT AGAINST THE BEST AND MOST SOPHISTICATED WEAPONRY THE SOVIETS CAN PRODUCED.

ISRAEL KNOWS THE SCORE

ISRAEL KNOWS THE SCORE; IT IS BATTLE-TESTED; AND IT'S HOME-PRODUCED WEAPONRY CAN BE JUST AS EFFECTIVE IN ARMING NATO AS IT HAS BEEN IN STRIKING BACK AGAINST ARAB ATTACK.

AN EFFORT TO EXPLORE CLOSER WEAPONS R&D AND PRODUCTION COOPERATION WITH ISRAEL WAS MANDATED IN LAST YEAR'S DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BILL. AND THE ADMINISTRATION HAS STARTED

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LOOKING AT THE POTENTIAL. BUT WE NEED TO MOVE FROM THE STAGE OF "THINKING-ABOUT" AND THEORIZING TO THE STAGE OF PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION.

NOW, THERE ARE PLENTY OF OBVIOUS PITFALLS AND PROBLEMS AHEAD. ISRAEL, THE U.S., THE NATO NATIONS -- EACH OF US HAS ITS OWN SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS; ITS OWN ECONOMIC SITUATION; ITS OWN POLITICAL SENSITIVITIES. SO IT WON'T BE EASY. BUT IT IS WORTH THE EFFORT.

ESPECIALLY BECAUSE EACH OF US IS ALSO FACED WITH THE REALITY OF REDUCED BUDGETS IN THE FACE OF INCREASED DEFENSE NEEDS. AND EACH OF US MUST LOOK FOR WAYS TO ACCOMPLISH MORE "BANG FOR THE BUCK."

THE MONEY WE INVEST IN SETTING UP COOPERATIVE PROJECTS TODAY REPRESENT A GREAT INVESTMENT IN HIGHER IMPACT DEFENSE BUDGETS IN THE FUTURE. ISN'T IT TIME TO MAKE THAT KIND OF INVESTMENT? ISN'T IT TIME TO SET UP A MECHANISM FOR ISRAEL, THE U.S. AND HOPE NATO TO EXPLORE THIS ISSUE REALISTICALLY AND IN DETAIL -- AND WITH AN EYE TOWARD THE NEEDS NOT ONLY OF THE MOMENT, BUT ALSO OF THE FUTURE?

COOPERATION AGAINST INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM

FINALLY, ISN'T IT TIME THAT WE EXPANDED OUR COOPERATION

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EVEN FURTHER IN AN AREA WHERE WE ALREADY WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER -- THE FIGHT AGAINST INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM? AND, AGAIN, LET ME STRESS THAT I AM CALLING NOT JUST FOR CLOSER U.S.-ISRAELI BILATERAL COOPERATION; BUT THE MORE EFFECTIVE INTEGRATION OF ISRAEL INTO A BROADER COOPERATIVE EFFORT, REACHING FROM THE NATO ALLIANCE TO JAPAN.

ALL OF OUR NATIONS FACE A TERRORIST THREAT. ALL OF US CALL IT AN INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM, AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IT CAN BE CONTAINED ONLY BY AN INTERNATIONAL EFFORT. ALL OF US ESPOUSE THE SAME FUNDAMENTAL POLICIES -- NO REWARDS FOR TERRORISM; NO NEGOTIATIONS WITH TERRORISTS.

BUT, WHEN PUSH COMES TO SHOVE, HOW OFTEN DO WE REALLY ACT IN CONCERT? HOW OFTEN DO WE REALLY ACT COOPERATIVELY? HOW OFTEN DO WE EVEN KEEP EACH OTHER APPRISED OF OUR PLANS AND PROGRAMS?

ISN'T IT TIME FOR US TO TURN OUR RHETORIC ABOUT DEALING WITH THIS INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM COOPERATIVELY INTO A REALITY?

THE VIENNA SUMMIT AND ISRAEL

I THINK THE PLACE TO START IS THE UPCOMING VIENNA SUMMIT. I HOPE THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL USE THIS OCCASION TO

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URGE ALL THE SUMMIT NATIONS INTO A CLOSER COOPERATION --
STARTING WITH CLOSER AND MORE OPEN COMMUNICATIONS -- TO DEAL
WITH TERRORISM.

AND THE FIRST PROPOSAL OUGHT TO BE NEGOTIATIONS TOWARD
AN AGREED STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES, PROCEDURES AND MECHANISMS
FOR GREATER ALLIED COOMUNICATION AND COOPERATION ON THIS
TERRIBLE PROBLEM. UNTIL WE GET TO THE STAGE WHERE WE KNOW,
UNDERSTAND AND TRUST WHAT OUR ALLIES ARE DOING IN THIS FIELD
-- AND THEY HAVE THE SAME CONFIDENCE IN LOOKING AT US --
WE'RE NOT GOING TO GET ANYWHERE.

AND WE HAVE TO BRING ISRAEL DIRECTLY INTO THE LOOP.
ISRAEL IS THE FRONT LINE. IT HAS SHOWN BY EXAMPLE, PERHAPS
MORE THAN ANY OTHER NATION, THAT IT HAS SOME OF THE ANSWERS
IN DEALING WITH TERRORISM. IT HAS DEMONSTRATED THE CRITICAL
IMPORTANCE OF POLITICAL WILL, SOPHISTICATED TECHNIQUES AND
GOOD INTELLIGENCE. WITHOUT CLOSE COOPERATION WITH ISRAEL --
WITHOUT LEARNING SOME OF THE LESSONS ISRAEL CAN TEACH -- WE
CANNOT ADEQUATELY DEAL WITH THIS PROBLEM.

CLOSE THE PLO OFFICES -- NOW

AND LET ME SAY SOMETHING THAT, UNTIL YESTERDAY, I NEVER
IMAGINED I WOULD BE SAYING ON TERRORISM. TODAY, WE CAN EVEN

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LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT HOW TO DEAL WITH TERRORISM FROM THE ACTIONS OF EGYPT, MOROCCO AND JORDAN.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES TELL THE TALE: "EGYPT SHUTS DOWN PLO OFFICES;" "MOROCCO ORDERS CLOSURE OF ALL PLO OFFICES;" "JORDANIANS CLOSE ARAFAT'S OFFICES."

THOSE ARE THE HEADLINES. THAT IS THE EXAMPLE.

IT'S HIGH TIME THE UNITED STATES FOLLOWED THAT EXAMPLE.

IT'S HIGH TIME THAT WE ENDED THE FARCE OF ALLOWING THE PLO TO OPERATE OPENLY IN WASHINGTON -- IN THE SHADOW OF THE WHITE HOUSE; AND IN NEW YORK -- UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

IT'S HIGH TIME BOTH OFFICES WERE SHUT DOWN -- TIGHT. AND ALL THE FOREIGN PLO AGENTS HERE WERE SENT HOME -- FOR GOOD.

TIME FOR CONGRESS TO BOOT OUT THE PLO

THE PLO IS A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION. ARAFAT IS A TERRORIST. ABU ABBAS, AND ABU NIDAL, AND ALL THE REST CAN TRY TO HIDE IN THE SHADOWS. WE KNOW WHO THEY ALL ARE. WE KNOW WHAT THEY STAND FOR. AND WE WANT NO PART OF THEM, OR THEIR ORGANIZATION, IN THE UNITED STATES.

FOR THAT REASON, I PLAN SHORTLY TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION

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TO CLOSE DOWN THE PLO OFFICES IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK.
AND TO SEE THAT THEY DON'T REOPEN AGAIN, AS LONG AS THE PLO
ESPOUSES TERRORISM.

EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITIES

AND LET ME CLOSE WITH THIS THOUGHT. I HAVE OFFERED JUST
A FEW IDEAS. BUT THE POSSIBILITIES OF PRODUCTIVE
COOPERATION ARE ALMOST LIMITLESS.

THERE IS NO REASON THOSE POSSIBILITIES CANNOT BE
REALIZED. THERE IS NO REASON TO WAIT ANY LONGER IN BRINGING
THEM TO REALITY.