

Historic Mideast peace treaty to be signed today

Security includes canine agents

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WASHINGTON — Special security precautions including bomb-sniffing dogs are planned for today's signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty, officials said Saturday. All leave has been canceled for National Park Service police Monday, some of whom will be assigned to an anticipated Arab demonstration in Lafayette Park, across from the White House, the spokesman said.

The Park Service spokesman said 1,500 protesters are expected to march from Dupont Circle to Lafayette Park and then to the Egyptian Embassy.

A Secret Service spokesman said although security precautions will

be no different from those involving any other visiting head of state, special canine teams, trained to respond to bomb threats or suspicious packages, will be on hand, in addition to agents, security specialists and uniformed teams.

New aid to be loans, not outright grants

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WASHINGTON — U.S. officials predict that the amount of new aid to Egypt and Israel will be less than both countries anticipated, and most of it will be in the form of long-term loans, instead of outright grants.

The officials said Saturday that the new U.S. economic and military assistance for both countries will total between \$4.5 billion and \$5 billion over a three-year period. That would be in addition to the \$960 million program that Egypt gets annually and the yearly \$1.8 billion that Israel routinely gets from the United States.

The U.S. officials broke down the new aid package this way: —Israel will get \$3 billion, including \$1 billion to aid the Israelis in transplanting their sophisticated early warning system from the Sinai desert to the Negev. At one time, the Israelis had requested more than \$3 billion for the moving of the warning system, alone.

—Egypt will receive \$1.5 billion in loans for a military resupply program.

The loans will be on a "concessionary basis," meaning that no repayment will be expected for 10 years, and then the total will be repaid, with interest, over a 20-year period.

In addition, a U.S. team is studying a further economic development program for Egypt which would amount to \$500 million, at most.

The officials said that \$1.17 billion of the total three-year package would be in the form of grants, and would be appropriated from the U.S. budget. The rest would be in loan form.

In addition, the officials said, there is a possibility that other countries will join in the aid program, either as part of a multilateral effort such as the World Bank, or on a bilateral basis.



Syria nixes oil embargo in protest of treaty

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BEIRUT, Lebanon — Syria ruled out the possibility of an Arab oil embargo against the United States to protest the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty mediated by President Carter.

leader Yasser Arafat has been urging the use of the "oil weapon" to frustrate the treaty.

But Khaddam, who is on a European tour, said such a tactic would be counterproductive.

Khaddam said an embargo would only "divert attention from the high treason being committed by the Egyptian president against his people and the Arab world as well as from Israel's occupation of Arab land."

Khaddam also indicated that Arab economic sanctions to "punish" Egypt may not be as stringent as the

total cutoff of aid suggested by some Arab hardliners.

"The oppressed Egyptian people will not be included in the sanctions," he said.

Iraq has called for a summit meeting of Arab foreign and economic ministers in Baghdad Tuesday to consider sanctions against Egypt.

But Kuwait has asked for a postponement of the Baghdad meeting, citing a summit of the presidents of North and South Yemen due to begin in Kuwait Wednesday.

Khaddam said the Arab rejectionists should concentrate on sup-

porting the Egyptian opposition President Anwar Sadat.

He urged the opposition in Cairo to demonstrate "the highest degree of revolutionary violence in order to strangle and overthrow Sadat's regime."

Khaddam's remarks coincided with the arrival in Damascus of Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko on a previously announced three-day visit. Moscow's strong support of the states rejecting the treaty.

Sadat treaty-bound as Begin met with Vance

United Press International
Egyptian President Anwar Sadat flew to Washington Saturday as Secretary of State Cyrus Vance met Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin to tie up "the loose ends" of

the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

Sadat left shortly after Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko flew to Damascus on a surprise visit to Syria, one of the Arab states that has belligerently opposed the

Egyptian-Israeli treaty worked out by President Carter.

The Soviet news agency Tass said only that Gromyko's trip was a "brief, friendly visit" at the invitation of the Syrians.

Sadat left Cairo despite the Arab threats that forced him to put tens of thousands of police and security agents on maximum alert nationwide.

All police leaves were canceled, guards were increased outside hotels, embassies, universities and government buildings, and thousands of hawkish Arabs were put under surveillance, officials said.

Although Jordan and Saudi Arabia have not officially rejected the treaty, Syria has joined other hard-line Arab nations such as Iraq and the PLO in denouncing the pact as a Sadat "surrender" to Israel.

Iraqi Revolutionary Council Vice President Saddam Hussein said Friday Iraq would work to "incite the Arab people of Egypt" to overthrow Sadat.

The Iraqi government sent telegrams to a number of international organizations urging them to undertake "all necessary efforts to prevent the signing by Egypt of the surrender settlement with the Zionist entity."

The cables to the United Nations and the Organization of American States and the Organization of African Unity also said the treaty "threatens peace and security in the region, drives it toward an armed confrontation."

Though the Iraqis have vowed to overthrow any Arab government that supports the pact, first practical Arab moves against the treaty were not expected to be made until Arab ministers meet in Baghdad Tuesday and Wednesday.

The PLO did not wait for the conference, and on Friday claimed responsibility for a bomb in Jerusalem that killed one person and injured 14 others as a reminder of Palestinian determination to scotch the treaty.

Israeli Defense Minister Ariel Weizman put troops on alert along the Jordanian, Syrian and Lebanese borders, saying Syria, Iraq and Iran "offer a very serious potential threat to us."

Vance flew in from Washington along with Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan to hold last-minute talks with Begin to resolve what were said to be minor but nagging problems with the treaty text time for the signing ceremony in Washington today.

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