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Israel's coalition government splits over offered peace plan

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's co-alition government was split Monday over an Egyptian peace proposal that includes suspending Palestinian riots and a moratorium on Jewish settlement in the occupied territo-

Reporters saw soldiers use sledgehammers and crowbars to open shops in Gaza City and the West Bank to try to end a lingering strike of Arab merchants.

Four Palestinian activists from Gaza facing deportation dropped their appeals to Israel's Supreme Court on Monday.

"They feel they will not obtain jus-tice from an Israeli court," Fayez Abu Rahme, a Gaza lawyer, said. "They said international public opinion has already decided that deportation is illegal and we'd hate to see it legalized in court.'

Four Palestinians from the West Bank were expelled to Lebanon on before the new policy was an-Jan. 13. A fifth West Bank Palestin- nounced. ian dropped his appeal earlier this month Avi Pazner, spokesman for Yitz-hak Shamir, said the prime minister

American Jewish leaders con-demned the beating of rioters.

"The current policy of force and beatings as it has been implemented on the ground is regarded by us as inhumane and simply unaccepta-ble," Theodore Mann, president of the American Jewish Congress, told

reporters after meeting with De-settlements fense Minister Yitzhak Rabin in Tel Gaza Strip.

Rabin said soldiers had been told to beat protesters rather than fire at them with live ammunition.

conference on peace in the Middle East. The Egyptian-Israeli treaty of March 1979 is the only peace agreement made with Israel by an Palestinian riots began Dec. 8 in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, which Israel captured from Jordan and Egypt in the 1967 Middle East Arab nation.

Foreign Minister Shimon Pere war. Israeli gunfire killed 38 Arabs leader of the centrist Labor Pary praised Mubarak for asking Arabsu

stop rioting and trying to renew po-litical efforts for peace. Peres noted that only four setlements had been started since the Likud-Labor "national unity" continue tion took office in 1984.

A Foreign Ministry official sa Peres did not accept all aspects of the Mubarak proposal, particularly the suggestion that a "suitable interna-tional mechanism" be found to protect Palestinians living under on pation.

Yossi Sarid and Deddi Zucker legislators from the liberal Citizens Rights Party, prepared a report of the army's use of beatings. They said more than 200 Palestinians had sut fered broken bones.

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New study: Population shift to add House seats for Texas

WASHINGTON (AP) - Population shifts will continue adding House seats to Sun Belt states such as California and Texas while districts now represented by blacks and Democrats suffer declines, a private study said Monday

California could pick up as many as six House seats, with Texas add-ing four and Florida three, Election Data Services said, while New York could lose three seats and two apiece could be lost by Illinois, Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Kimball Brace, president of the political consultant group, said the shifts were based on 1990 popula-tion estimates prepared by Temple University.

They update estimates released just two weeks ago, which showed slightly less dramatic changes based on 1987 population estimates. In addition to the shifts among

the states, Brace said the current districts with the sharpest declines are generally those represented by blacks and Democrats.

His report was based on an analy-sis of 1986 congressional district population estimates from the Census Bureau.

Of the 50 districts with the largest population losses since the 1980 census, 44 are represented by Democrats, Brace said

The House district with the largest population loss is that represented by George W. Crockett, D- Mich., which fell by nearly 70,000

sional districts with populations more than 40 percent black, 16 had population declines.

On the other hand, he said, of the 37 districts with 20 percent or more Hispanic populations, 33 gained population between 1980 and 1986.

Besides Crockett's, other districts those of Reps. William Coyne, D-Pa.; Henry J. Nowak, D-N.Y.; John Con-yers, D-Mich., and Robert Garcia, D-N.Y.

While Democratic districts were more likely to be losing people, there were some exceptions in the Farm Belt, with the biggest Republican loser being Illinois' 18th District, represented by House GOP leader Robert Michel.

In Iowa, Brace added, 5 of the 6 districts lost population.

Overall, population gains were re-ported by 86 percent of the Republi-can districts in the House, compared with 73 percent of districts rep-resented by Democrats.

The biggest gaining district was the 26th in Texas, represented by Republican Dick Armey, the study said. That district increased by 41.7 percent, gaining nearly 220,000 peo-ple.

Questions remain on how the shifts will affect future elections.

would reject the proposal by Presi-dent Hosni Mubarak of Egypt.

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settlements in the West Bank and

He said that would create a cli-

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Mubarak, who left Cairo on Monday for a trip to Europe and the United States, urged that Palestin-ians halt the violence for six months

If people moving into Republican districts have the outlook and poli-tics of people already there, it could benefit the GOP, Brace said, while shifting Democratic voters into Republican districts could change the balance there toward Democrats

Brace's estimates of shifting seats are based on projections of what the state populations will be in 1990.

The national census will be con-ducted April 1, 1990, with the count to be announced at the end of that

House seats will be divided among the states based on the new population figures, with state legislatures then drawing new district lines, probably in time for the 1992 elections.

Nationwide, House districts will have to average somewhat over 550,000 people apiece, according to census estimates.

Thus, any district falling short the average will have to be expanded to bring the total up, while any district above the average will have be re-duced to bring the total down.

While court decisions require each district to be roughly equal in population within a state, redistricting always involves considerable political maneuvering to protect seats held by the party in charge in that state legis-

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State George P. Shultz assured conservative critics Monday the

United States will respond vigo-ously if the Soviet Union violates the new arms reduction treaty in Europe, but Sen. Jesse Helms de-clared the Soviet Union alreadys exploiting an "engraved invita-tion to cheat."

As Shultz led the administration's campaign for Senate ratification of the treaty, Helms, R N.C., waving a document marked "TOP SECRET" in red, con-tended he had obtained information proving the Soviets alread have violated the pact which call for the elimination of medium-and short-range nuclear missiles. Helms told the Senate Foreign

Relations Committee he had re ceived confirmation of the docu ment's authenticity —from CIA Director William Webster. But Sen. Paul Sarbanes, D Md., complaining that Helms had not read aloud from a key section of a letter from Webster, quoted the CIA chief as saying that while

the document represented ex-cerpts from a draft of a CIA national intelligence estimate, it did not tell the story. Sarbanes noted the CIA direc

tor had said the judgments reached in the document "by themselves do not constitute a sufficient basis on which to draw conclusions.

Manigat wins Haitian presidential election

people, a 13.6 percent decline. He added that of the 21 congres-



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Sale ends Jan. 31, 1988

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PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — University professor Leslie Man-igat won Haiti's presidential election with more than 50 percent of the vote, election officials said.

Opposition leaders said the election run by the ruling junta was a sham.

Manigat garnered 50.3 percent, or 534,080 votes out of a total of 1.062.016 votes cast in the Ian. 17 election, according to results released by the government-appointed Electoral Council.

The junta led by Lt. Gen. Henri Namphy has promised to turn over power to an elected president on Feb. 7.

The three-man junta has ruled

since dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier fled to exile in France in February 1986.

The government scheduled the Jan. 17 balloting after an independently-run presidential election last Nov. 29 was canceled due to wide-

spread violence. Thugs gunned down at least 34 people, and witnesses said soldiers either joined in the violence or ig-nored it. Thugs gunned down at least 34 people, and witnesses said soldiers nored it. Thugs gunned down at least 34 people, and witnesses said soldiers in the election, but opposition lead-ers charged double voting and other irregularities inflated the total

The leading candidates in that election refused to take part in the junta-run balloting.

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this impoverished Caribbean nation 210,526 votes, agronomist Gerard Philippe-Auguste placed third with 151,391 and attorney Gregoire Eugene was fourth with 97,556.

Seven other candidates split the

remaining 68,463 votes. Mayors and

members of the National Assembly

also were chosen in the balloting.

regularities inflated the totals.

"Everything was counted in se-

organized a series of anti-govern ment strikes last summer.

Seventy-five percent of the electo rate registered for the indepen dently run elections on Nov. 29. Al ter they were canceled, the jun scrapped the independent Electoral Council and appointed one of its

The top candidates in that election blamed the ruling junta for the violence, saying it was intended to prevent the election of a presider the army might not be able to control

In a telephone interview Sunday, Eugene called the election results "grotesque."

