

Peace talks hinge on Israeli occupation

As the fourth round of Middle East peace talks open in Washington, Israel continues its settlement construction programme. In its first ten years, the movement attracted only 3,175 Jews. Today, around 115,000 Jews live in the occupied territories. At the present rate of construction the number is expected to rise to 185,000 in 1993.

Maale Adummim
Six miles east of Jerusalem, the largest Israeli settlement, with 15,500 residents

Kfar Etzion
The first settlement, founded three months after the 1967 war

GAZA STRIP
Seized from Egypt. Home of 700,000 stateless Palestinians

Sinai

JORDAN

Yater
Kafra
February 1992,
Israeli troops attack
Hezbollah bases

LEBANON

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Damascus
GOLAN HEIGHTS
Seized from Syria. Its return is demanded

SYRIA

ISRAEL

Qiryat Shemona

Rosh Pinar

Nazareth

Sea of Galilee

9,600 Jewish settlers

Majdal Shams

Quneitra

1967
ceasefire
lines

Proposed
Unity Dam

JORDAN

The aim of the Middle East peace conference is to reach a settlement based on the 1967 UN Security Council Resolution 242. The Arab states want Israel to withdraw from all occupied territories. America wants Israel to withdraw, although not necessarily as far as pre-1967 borders

RESOLUTION 242

"Withdrawal of Israeli forces from territories occupied" during the Six-Day War