

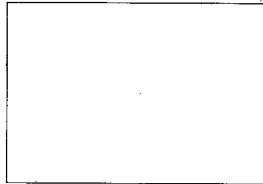
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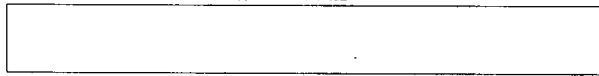
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ISRAEL: Begin's Speech to Egypt

Israeli Prime Minister Begin's radiobroadcast to Egypt yesterday was almost certainly an attempt to wrest the propaganda initiative from President Sadat and demonstrate that Israel is no less interested than Egypt in peace. Egypt has characterized Begin's broadcast as "unsuccessful" because his remarks were confined to Egypt.

Begin welcomed the readiness Sadat had rhetorically professed in his speech on Wednesday to address the Israeli parliament and offered to go to Cairo to address the Egyptian legislature. Appealing to the Egyptians to revive their ancient, biblical friendship with Israel, Begin suggested that the two sides take a "silent oath" not to shed any more blood.

The Israelis have been impressed by what they regard as the latest in a long series of clever public relations gambits by Sadat. Begin himself had frequently criticized the previous Israeli Government for remaining on the defensive in responding to Sadat's public overtures for peace, and he doubtless was determined not to let that happen this time. By offering the hand of peace to Egypt, Begin also seemed to be trying to aggravate differences over peace negotiations between Egypt and Syria and to stoke Syrian fears of a separate Egyptian-Israeli deal.

An official Egyptian Government spokesman said yesterday, in fact, that Begin may have been trying to drive a wedge between Egypt and other Arab states. He reiterated Sadat's remarks that any serious call for peace must address the restoration of Palestinian rights and Israeli withdrawal from Arab territories occupied in 1967.