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FYI. Would like to check in with you on this in am.

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Jake:

Senator Mitchell asked that I forward the below clip to you.

Best,  
Alon

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(AP) Egypt: basis to move to direct peace talks lacking

CAIRO (AP) - Egypt says more work needs to be done to bridge the gap between Israel and the Palestinians before they can move to direct peace talks. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu met separately with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo. None of them spoke to the press afterward. But Egyptian Foreign Minister Ahmed Aboul Gheit told reporters the basis to move from indirect to direct talks is still "lacking."