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Realignment clears the decks to the left, leaves Barak with decent backing and activists challenging him out. Netanyahu is the winner, Barak may claim to have cleared way to "serious" peace effort freed from artificial deadlines. With Lieberman now openly challenging Netanyahu, we have indications that some are exploring again whether possible to bring Livni and Kadima in (and maybe Lieberman if not Ysrael Beiteinu out). Implications of Tunisia and Lebanon will not make security a lesser issue.

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From: Lurie, Mike D
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At press conference said he hoped the other Labor members would join him. Took shots at Barak and Lieberman and said he would rebuild party around social-democratic values. Radio reporting Ben Eliezer to resign at 1400.