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U.S. Senator John F. Kerry (D-MA) concludes visit to Israel

Senator Kerry: “We are anxious to see the Israelis and Palestinians begin a real dialogue and to see how helpful we can be in that process.”

Senator John F. Kerry of Massachusetts today concluded a two-day-long visit to Jordan, Israel and the Palestinian Authority (February 27-March 1, 2010).

As Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Kerry has long been active in issues of the economy, national security, and protecting the environment. He recently co-authored the Start-Up Visa Act, a bill that streamlines the process for new entrepreneurs to obtain visas to the United States.

Senator Kerry held fruitful discussions with President Peres, Prime Minister Netanyahu, Defense Minister Barak, and Opposition Leader Livni. The meetings focused on a wide variety of issues pertinent to Senator Kerry’s role as Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and other topics relating to the U.S.-Israel bilateral relationship.

During a press conference in Jerusalem today, Senator Kerry called for biting, debilitation, and multilateral sanctions against Iran.

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