

U.S.-Israeli Working Paper on Conference Procedures*
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1. The conference will open with a united Arab delegation, including Palestinian Arabs.
2. After the opening session, there will be bilateral working groups designed to negotiate peace treaties. The working groups will be: Israel-Egypt, Israel-Jordan, Israel-Syria and Israel-Lebanon--if Lebanon wants to participate.
3. A working group will "discuss" the future of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. In this group will be Israel, Egypt, Jordan and Palestinian Arabs.
4. The problem of the refugees will be discussed as the parties determine.
5. The conference will be based on U.N. Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338.
6. All changes in the format of the conference will have to be agreed to by all the parties.

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