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SECRETARY-GENERAL DISAPPOINTED THAT PARTIES AT CAMP DAVID

SUMMIT NOT ABLE TO REACH OVERALL AGREEMENT

The following statement was issued today by the Office of the Spokesman for Secretary-General Kofi Annan:

The Secretary-General is disappointed that, despite strenuous efforts at the Camp David Summit, the parties were not able to reach an overall agreement. Given the seriousness of the issues involved and their importance for reaching a comprehensive peace in the Middle East, he encourages Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Chairman Yasser Arafat to persist in their efforts to find compromise solutions with courage and vision. The Secretary-General commends United States President William Clinton and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright for their extraordinary efforts to facilitate progress.

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