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Delay in response to US request for a second visit to Dimona.

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DATE: September 14, 1962

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SUBJECT: Proposed Visit of U.S. Scientists to the Dimona Reactor

PARTICIPANTS: Ambassador Avraham Harman, Embassy of Israel  
NEA: Mr. Phillips Talbot, Assistant Secretary *(D)*

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After discussing another matter the Ambassador said he had had a response to his communication based on Mr. Talbot's earlier request that Israel allow the two AEC scientists, who were to be in Israel September 25-28 to inspect the U.S.-financed atomic reactor, to visit the Dimona reactor during that period. He regretted that a decision could not be obtained from the Prime Minister until after his return from Scandinavia at the end of September.

Mr. Talbot expressed regret, said this was a matter of primary importance, and noted that we would be raising the matter again.

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