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Father of Sirhan Asks Israel Aid

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PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — An
Israel government official told
Portland newsmen Wednesday
that the father of Sirhan Sirhan,
the man accused of slaying Sen.
Robert Kennedy, has asked Is-
rael's help in getting permission
to visit his son in the United
States.

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Menachem Beigen, co-chair-
man of Israel's National Security
Committee, said, "Our au-
thorities will do whatever they
can to assist him as a father in
meeting his son's needs."

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Sirhan's father lives in a por-
tion of Jordan occupied by Is-
rael in last year's six-day war.

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Beigen was in Portland to
speak at an Israel bond dinner
Wednesday. He is touring major
cities in the United States,
speaking at similar American
fund-raising functions.

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The minister without portfolio
said he would not comment on
the Sirhan case because of the
upcoming trial.

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