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An Israeli Army helicopter carrying Senator Edward M. Kennedy and his party made an emergency landing in sand dunes south of Tel Aviv yesterday.

Government officials said Kennedy, his wife and five aides were flying back from a visit to Gedera in the Negev Desert for a meeting with Defense Minister Makie Dayan at Tel Aviviresiden

officials said the pilot of

ter heard noises in the engine and suspected an electrical fault.

They said he put the helicopter down for a normal landing in sand dunes near Bat Yam, a beachside suburb on the southern outskirts of the city.

The officials said two smaller Army helicopters picked up the Kennedy party and flew them to a helicopter landing pad near Dayan's forme.