

Israelis Report Helms Meets Mrs. Meir, Dayan and Eban

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JERUSALEM, June 30—Richard Helms, director of Central Intelligence, has conferred with Premier Golda Meir and other top Israeli leaders during his current visit to Israel, the Foreign Ministry announced today.

Defense Minister Moshe Dayan and Foreign Minister Abba Eban were among the other officials with whom Mr. Helms discussed Middle Eastern problems, the Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

The spokesman declined to elaborate on the content of Mr. Helms's conversations or give any information about the length of his visit to Israel.

It was believed, however, that the talks have focused on the security needs of Israel and on the growing Soviet role in the Arab world and the eastern Mediterranean.

The official announcement here of the Helms visit came only after reports had been published in the United States press this morning that he was in Israel. [Informed sources said, as quoted by Reuters, that Mr. Helms arrived here two days

ago aboard a United States Air Force plane with about a dozen aides.]

A United States Embassy spokesman, who yesterday had said he had "no information" on Mr. Helms's visit, said today that the intelligence chief had met also with the United States Ambassador, Walworth Barbour, in addition to Israeli officials.

It is unusually for the head of the Central Intelligence Agency and other American intelligence officers to travel abroad. While this has been the first visit to Israel by an American intelligence chief, Israeli invitations are said to have been accepted earlier by others who then were unable to make the trip.