

Nixon Cheered in Jordan

Last Stop In Tour of Mideast

Amman

President Nixon got a red carpet welcome yesterday in Jordan, the last stop of his Middle East tour.

"It is only the beginning of the journey for peace," Mr. Nixon told Jordan's King Hussein of his travels in the Mideast.

As he has in other Arab capitals, Mr. Nixon received from Hussein a catalogue of conditions for permanent peace between the Arabs and Israelis.

Hussein told Mr. Nixon at a state dinner he wants Israeli withdrawal from the Jordan Valley, the return of Jerusalem to Arab sovereignty, restoration of the legitimate rights of the Palestinians and an end to Israeli occupation of Arab lands.

Mr. Nixon gave the same form of response he has given at other stops in the past week.

"I wish I could have brought a briefcase full of solutions," he told Hussein. He said he didn't — although he spoke of unspecified "new developments that have reason to give us hope."

"War is not a solution," Mr. Nixon said at the dinner after receiving cheers of welcome from tens of thousands of Jordanians and Palestinians along his motorcade route. "We must try another way, we must try the path of peace."



Jordan's King Hussein and Queen Alia greeted President Nixon at the Amman airport

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Hussein laid down his conditions for a permanent Middle East settlement after warning that if the U.S. initiative loses momentum "the days of no peace, no war, will be with us again in a potentially more dangerous and explosive situation."

Jordan has received extensive supplies of U.S. military hardware in the past and much of it was at Amman airport in the tightest security shield Mr. Nixon has seen in the four Arab nations he had visited on this tour.

As the presidential jet Spirit of '76 touched down, armored cars with light machine guns stood about the tarmac and tanks and heavy machine-gun emplacements were standing watch on hills

overlooking the airport.

Mr. Nixon and Hussein strolled down a red carpet beneath a low-flying formation of eight U.S.-built F-104 jet fighters. The Jordanian honor guard passed in review carrying American M-16 rifles as a band played John Phillip Sousa's "Washington Post March."

After the airport ceremonies, Mr. Nixon and Hussein, with their wives Pat and Queen Alia, rode in a motorcade to Amman to be hailed by thousands of rhythmically chanting and applauding Jordanians, repeating on a smaller scale the greetings Mr. Nixon received earlier in Israel and three Arab countries—Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria.

In his remarks later at the state dinner, Hussein listed "four thoughts" for Mr. Nixon to take home with him to Washington:

- Jordan's "great satisfaction over the new era of goodwill that is opening up between the United States and the Arab world."

- There will be "neither peace nor security in the Middle East" so long as Israel occupies territory captured in the 1967 war.

- The Palestinian question is the "major issue in the conflict between Israel and the Arab world. There can be no peace until the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people are recognized and restored." He said the Palestinians themselves must decide, after their ter-

ritory is liberated, if they will set up a federated state with Jordan or an independent country.

- The Islamic world "will never allow the Arab city of Jerusalem to remain under the control of Israel. Arab sovereignty over the holy city must be reinstated."

The heads of state planned talks this morning before Mr. Nixon leaves for the United States via a rest stop in the Azores.

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Waldheim Leaves

Cairo

United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim left Cairo yesterday for New York.

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