

this is over the long run—whether there’s something we can do to help countries who want to give men and women to these kinds of projects have the training, have the support, have the things they need.

I think the whole world is now focused on Rwanda; I think the hearts of the world are with these people who have suffered. I think that we’re moving very quickly to try to save lives from the cholera outbreak, and I think

we’ll have progress there. I think that a lot of these African countries will do the very best they can. And if they’re trying to do something that they can’t do, then the rest of us need to help them develop the capacity to do it.

NOTE: The exchange began at 1:59 p.m. at Hot Springs High School. A tape was not available for verification of the content of this exchange.

Remarks Welcoming King Hussein of Jordan and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel

July 25, 1994

History is made when brave leaders find the power to escape the past and create a new future. Today two such leaders come together, as we welcome King Hussein and Prime Minister Rabin to the White House on this extraordinary occasion.

On this morning of promise, these visionary statesmen from ancient lands have chosen to heal the rift that for too long has divided their peoples. They have seen the outlines of a better day where others have seen darkness. They have sought peace in place of violence.

On both sides of the River Jordan there have lived generations of people who thought this day would never come. King Hussein and Prime Minister Rabin have reached out to each other

across the river, to build a future where hatred gives way to hope.

The Koran instructs us, “Requite evil with good, and he who is your enemy will become your dearest friend.” And the Talmud teaches, “That man is a hero that can make a friend out of a foe.” Before us today stand friends and heroes.

King Hussein, Prime Minister Rabin, all Americans welcome your presence here today. You give us great hope that this house, our people’s house, will be a constant witness to a lasting peace that spreads forth to embrace your region.

NOTE: The President spoke at 10:15 a.m. in the Rose Garden at the White House.

Remarks at the Signing Ceremony for the Israel-Jordan Washington Declaration

July 25, 1994

Your Majesties, Prime Minister and Mrs. Rabin, distinguished guests: Today we gather to bear witness to history. As this century draws to a close, a new era of peace opens before us in ancient lands as brave men choose reconciliation over conflict. Today our faith is renewed.

As we write a new chapter in the march of hope over despair on these grounds and at this historic table, we remember the courage of

Anwar Sadat and Menachem Begin and the leadership of President Carter at Camp David 15 years ago, the efforts of President Bush to bring Israel and her neighbors together in Madrid 2 years ago, and that shining September day last year when Prime Minister Rabin and Chairman Arafat declared that their two peoples would fight no more.

Today, in that same spirit, King Hussein and Prime Minister Rabin will sign the Washington