World

16 Israel agrees on military cooperation — Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and President Ron-
ald Reagan agreed to increased American military cooperation with Israel, including joint military exerci-
ses in the Middle East, stockpiling of US military and medical equipment, and more intelligence sharing, 
officials said. President Reagan also lifted the embargo on the sale and shipment of American cluster bomb 
artillery. The two countries signed the agreement in July 1982, the month after the Israeli invasion of Lebanon. Top 
officials from both countries will meet in January to work out details of the agreements. Reagan and Shamir 
also announced a round of initiatives designed to bolster Israel's sagging economy through the establishment of 
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ger. The Reagan administration is preparing to transfer a portion of an outstanding $2.6 billion 
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