

## Camp David Meeting on the Middle East

*Statement by the White House Press Secretary.  
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The President is pleased to announce that President Sadat and Prime Minister Begin have accepted an invitation to come to Camp David on September 5 for a meeting with the President to seek a framework for peace in the Middle East.

All three leaders agree that there is no task more important than this search for peace. Secretary Vance has informed the President that both Prime Minister Begin and President Sadat have welcomed this

meeting, and the President is gratified by their response.

Each of the three leaders will be accompanied by a small number of their principal advisers, and no specific time has been set for the duration of the meeting.

NOTE: Press Secretary Jody Powell read the statement at 11:33 a.m. to reporters assembled in the Briefing Room at the White House. As printed above, this item follows the text of the White House press release.