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A meeting was held at the Ambassador Hotel in East Jerusalem on Saturday, March 18th, between Israelis and Palestinians to discuss mutually acceptable and just ways and means of settling the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

All participants were in agreement on the urgent need to resolve the conflict on the basis of reciprocity, which means the establishment of an independent Palestinian State alongside Israel, with guarantees of security for both sides. The participants agreed that the context in which this solution should be negotiated is an international conference with the participation of the representatives of the two sides, namely, the Government of Israel and the PLO.

The participants also decided to set up a steering committee which will draw up a final draft for a joint statement based on the above principles.

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