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JERUSALEM (Reuters) - Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has cancelled a planned trip to Washington next week to take part in President Barack Obama's 47-country nuclear security summit conference. He made the decision after learning that Egypt and Turkey intended to raise the issue of Israel's presumed nuclear arsenal at the conference, a senior government official said. Israel is believed to be the only nuclear-armed power in the Middle East but has never confirmed or denied that it possesses atomic weapons.