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CAIRO (AP) - Arab nations have given the Palestinians the green light to enter indirect peace talks with Israel for a preliminary four-month period. The decision from Arab foreign ministers likely opens the way for the start of long-stalled US-brokered negotiations. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas signaled this week that he would be willing to resume negotiations. Secretary Clinton said April 30 the talks would start next week.

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