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UNITED NATIONS (AP) - Israel's defense minister says his government is trying to find "a formula" that will enable Mideast peace mediators to agree on a way to revive Israeli-Palestinian talks.

Ehud Barak told reporters after meeting U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on Friday: "I cannot promise you that it will happen, but we are still trying to do our best to enable it."

Diplomats from the so-called "Quartet" \_ the U.S., U.N., European Union and Russia \_ failed earlier this month to find a basis for moving the peace process forward.

"We are still trying to find a formula that will enable understanding between the members of the Quartet in a way that will enable resumption of negotiations," Barak said.

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