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JERUSALEM (Reuters) - Hours before peace talks were set to begin in Washington, Jewish settlers announced plans to launch new construction in their West Bank enclaves. Naftali Bennett, director of the settlers' YESHA council, said settlers would begin building homes and public structures in at least 80 settlements, breaking a partial government freeze on building that ends on Sept. 26.