

International law supports Israel's strikes on terrorists

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Hamas leaders were not neutral civilians; the West should reflect on its hypocrisy when criticising legitimate military action.

What Qatar can and can't do after Israeli strike on Hamas in Doha

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Qatar's military capabilities are limited, and any attempt to use them would likely result in a painful lesson. Still, Doha has ways to inflict significant damage on Israel, and it will not hesitate to use them. One thing is certain: the hugs Arab leaders give the Qataris are fake. Behind closed doors they are smiling, from ear to ear.

Settling a moral score in Doha

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In the October 7 context, the publicized thanksgiving prayer of the organization's leaders, who were in Turkey at the time, is well remembered.

From trade to airspace: Erdogan's gambit demands a firm reply

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Strategic steps are needed, first and foremost, to diversify sources of imports and reduce dependency on Ankara.

Israel must not trade concrete gains for empty political promises

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One can welcome the Lebanese government's decision to task the Lebanese army with formulating a plan to disarm Hezbollah, but also assume – with a sober look – that the likelihood of this happening is slim.

Iran's grip weakens as Israel and the West weigh decisive sanctions

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Israeli strikes blunt Houthi threats in Yemen while Europe considers snapback sanctions on Tehran. This pressure could cripple Iran's missile program and destabilize the regime.

Beirut vs Tehran: Ali Larijani's visit and Lebanon's struggle for sovereignty

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Following Hezbollah's weakening on Lebanon's internal front, compounded by its defeat by Israel, the country is experiencing profound upheaval.

Israel is at a strategic crossroads in Syria. What's next?

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Any good policy approach must take into account Israel's security, its diplomatic objectives and relationship with its Druze citizens.

Israel between loyalty toward the Druze and detente in Syria

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The Jewish state owes a debt to the Druze and a moral duty to stop the massacres – yet it must not jeopardise a fragile opening to the regime.

Opportunities ahead, but challenges too: On Netanyahu's visit to Washington

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The high-stakes diplomatic encounter comes as Trump seeks to capitalize on military victory against Iran's nuclear program to accelerate Middle East peace processes, creating both extraordinary opportunities and complex challenges for Israel's long-term security interests.