

# Turkey's expansionist Middle East aspirations don't bother the Trump administration

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Noa Lazimi: Israel's efforts to protect its border with Syria are motivated by legitimate security needs, not expansionism.

It is a vital key interest for Israel to ensure that southern Syria remains demilitarized, so the Golan and Galilee aren't endangered. And by having operational freedom over Syrian airspace, Israel can prevent weapons from falling into the wrong hands and thwart attempts by pro-Turkish militia groups from attacking Israel's border,

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