

# Only IDF is capable of disarming Hamas

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Prof. Kobi Michael: If international actors do not 'buy' Hamas' games and realize that they have no real intention to disarm, they may come to the conclusion that only the IDF can do this - and thus build international support for such an action. In my opinion, this will be easier and simpler: Hamas is currently weaker, the IDF is more prepared, and most importantly, there is no constraint of hostages in the field.

I would like to remind you that on October 7, the IDF did not have a plan to occupy the Strip. During two years of fighting, we have gained more experience, and even today, fighting continues along the Yellow Line. There are daily clashes there with Hamas, which is trying to cross the line, harm IDF soldiers, and continue to strengthen militarily.

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