Legal and Strategic Realities: Assessing Trump’s Gaza Proposal

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Arsen Ostrovsky: For many years, including since October 7th, the international community has had the same failing strategy that allows Hamas to remain in power, and that is simply unacceptable.

There doesn’t appear to be anything illegal or contrary to international law with respect to the proposal as it is and that this is not about ethnic cleansing or forcible transfer. Trump is not talking about forcibly removing anyone but rather creating circumstances that allow Gazans to voluntarily choose to move.

Those insisting that Gazans stay there, in an active war zone, essentially being used as human shields by Hamas, may be the ones violating international law. Anyone that supports a better future for Gaza and peace in the Middle East should embrace the plan.

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