

# *Palestinian protesters reject U.S.-sponsored Bahrain meeting*

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Ramallah, June 25 (RHC)-- Thousands of Palestinians have staged rallies in both the occupied West Bank and the besieged Gaza Strip to express their resentment at a U.S.-led conference in Bahrain just getting underway, which will seek to advance President Donald Trump's controversial proposal for "peace" between the Israeli regime and Palestinians, dubbed "The Deal of the Century."

Rallies were held in several West Bank cities, including Ramallah, Tulkarm, al-Khalil, Yatta, Halhoul, Nablus, Jenin and Bethlehem, where participants waved the national Palestinian flag and hoisted signs in condemnation of the Bahrain conference, which is scheduled for June 25th and 26th. They also denounced American plans to undermine the Palestinian struggle for independence and statehood.

The demonstrators also burned posters of both Trump and Bahrain's monarch King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifah. Mahmoud Barhoush, 25, said he didn't know whether to laugh or cry at what he called Arab states' "treasonous" participation in the U.S.-led confab.

In the Gaza Strip, crowds burned large paintings of Trump marked with the words: "Deal of the Devil." "Down with Bahrain, Down with Trump, Down with the Manama conference," chanted the demonstrators.



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