

Hamas says Israel implementing annexation by escalating demolitions

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Israeli machinery demolish a Palestinian house located near Yatta in the southern area of the West Bank. (Photo: AFP)

Gaza City, December 14 (RHC)-- The Palestinian resistance movement Hamas says Israel is implementing its annexation plan by increasingly demolishing Palestinian houses and structures and confiscating land, calling for forming a unified national front against the occupying regime.

“The escalation of house demolitions, the increase in settlement building, and the confiscation of lands, all these indicate a gradual implementation of the annexation plan,” said Hazem Qassem, Hamas’ spokesman, the Palestinian Information Center reported.

He added that the best way to stand against Israel’s open war against Palestinians was establishing a unified national front against Tel Aviv based on a joint strategy of struggle. The Hamas official also stressed that the Palestinian Authority, which rules the occupied West Bank, should implement the outcomes of a meeting of the secretaries-general of the Palestinian factions and to accelerate the activation of popular resistance.

Qassem added that the implementation of the US-formulated annexation plan was occurring under the cover of normalization agreements with some Arab regimes, referring to the US-brokered agreements between Israel and four Arab governments — namely the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Bahrain, Sudan, and Morocco — since August.

He also warned that the much-condemned normalization agreements would encourage the Israeli occupying regime to escalate its aggression against the Palestinian people and undermine their cause.

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