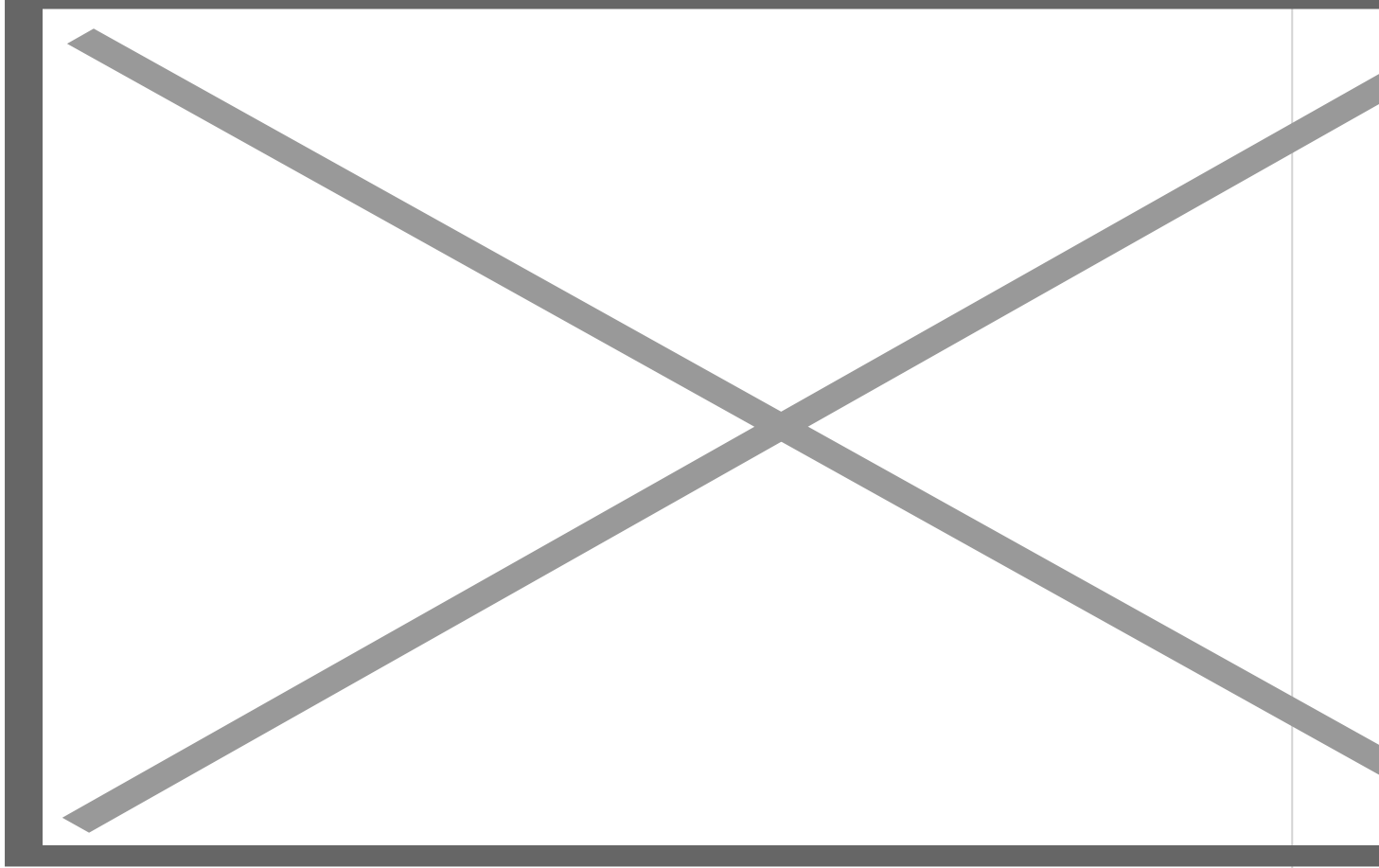


# *Hamas berates U.S. blind support for Israel after UN consensus on Palestinians' right to self-determination*

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**In this file picture, Israeli forces arrest a Palestinian teenager in the occupied West Bank.**

Gaza City, November 10 (RHC)-- The Palestinian Hamas resistance movement has called on U.S. President Joe Biden's administration to reconsider its "outrageous pro-Israel stances" and to stop

Washington's blind support for the Tel Aviv regime, after Washington voted against a recent UN resolution in favor of Palestinians' right to self-determination.

Basem Naim, head of the Hamas International Relations Office, said in a statement that the vote attested to the Biden administration's double standards and spurious allegations that it supports a political solution of the Palestinian issue. He stated that the measure showed Washington's hostile positions against Palestinians' rights to establish an independent Palestinian state on the 1967 borders with East al-Quds as its capital.

Naim said the 158-6 vote in support of the Palestinian statehood reflected the international consensus in favor of Palestinians' inalienable rights, and showed that the United States defends Israel's interests and criminal acts.

The senior Hamas official called on the United States to review such shameful positions and to abide by the international law and UN resolutions. He also called on Washington to stop covering up Israel's ongoing crimes against the Palestinian nation and supporting the occupying regime blindly.

On Friday, the United Nations voted overwhelmingly to approve a draft resolution, introduced on behalf of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), in favor of Palestinians' self-determination.

Despite opposition by the US and Israel, the proposal in the UN General Assembly's Third Committee was approved by a recorded vote of 158 in favor to 6 against with 10 abstentions.

The UNGA resolution emphasized "the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination, including the right to their independent State of Palestine" and "stressed the urgency of achieving without delay an end to the Israeli occupation.

By the text, the Assembly would reaffirm the right of the Palestinian people to an independent state, urging all countries and specialized UN agencies to support them in the early realization of the right to self-determination.

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