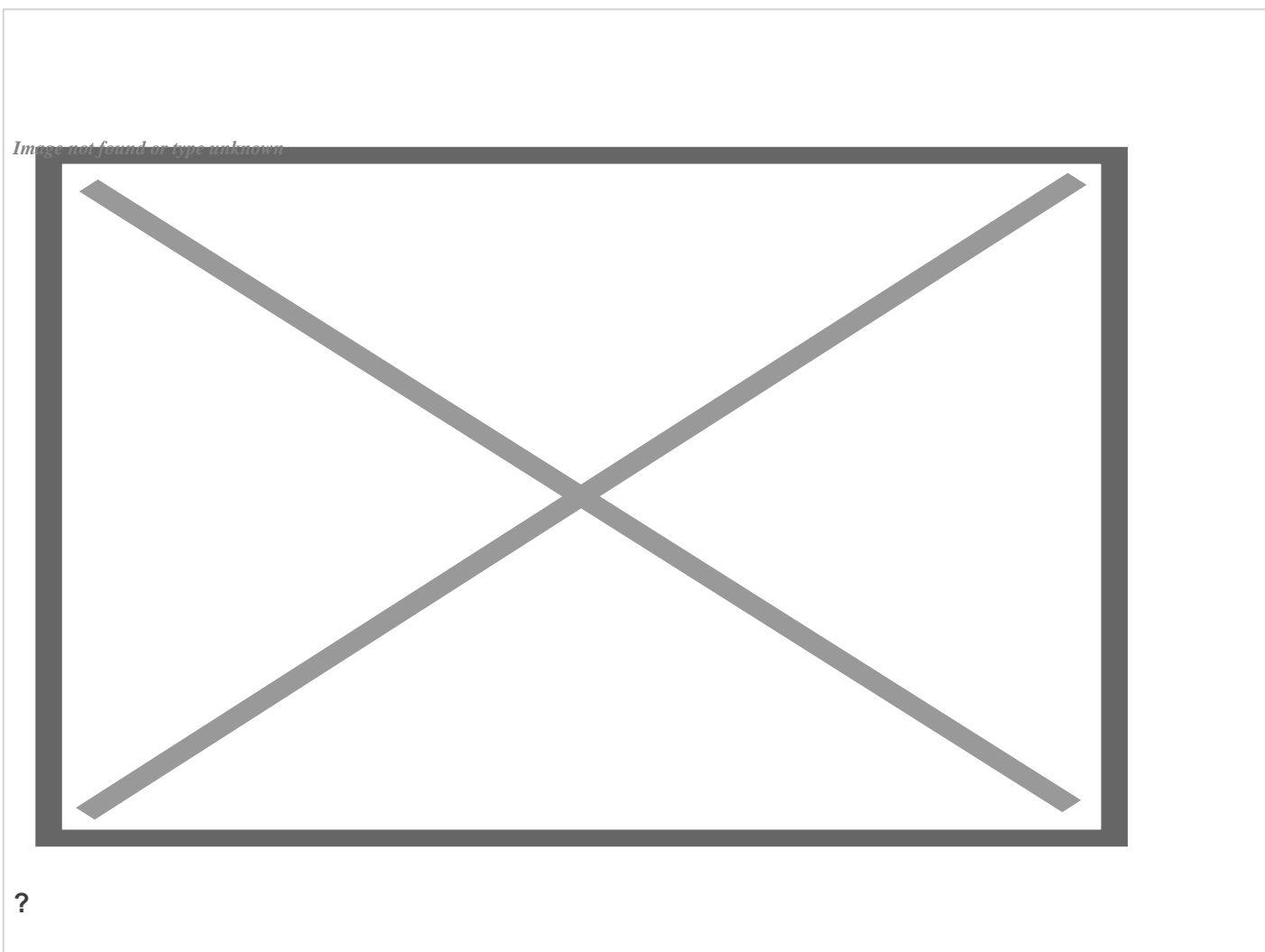


Hundreds protest U.S. visit of Israeli minister who called for erasing Palestinian town



Washington, March 13 (RHC)-- Hundreds of demonstrators, led by several American Jewish organizations, protested a visit by Israel's finance minister to Washington, D.C., Sunday, after the Biden administration granted him a diplomatic visa to speak at an investment conference.

Bezalel Smotrich was accused of backing a pogrom against Palestinians when he said earlier this month that Israel should "erase" the Palestinian town of Huwara. His comments came just days after Jewish settlers attacked the town, burning cars and homes and killing a Palestinian man.



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