

*Israel holds talks with African nations as officials push voluntary migration from Gaza*

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Tel Aviv, January 5 (RHC)-- Israeli officials have reportedly held talks with a number of African nations, including the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda and Chad, about accepting Palestinians pushed out of Gaza.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and some of his Cabinet members have promoted what they call "voluntary migration" from Gaza, but Palestinians and human rights groups have decried the plan as ethnic cleansing.

This comes as Israel's ambassador to the United Kingdom, Tzipi Hotovely, has openly embraced destroying the whole of Gaza. She made the comment during an interview on the London radio station LBC.

Meanwhile, in the U.S., the Joe Biden administration has criticized South Africa for filing a genocide case against Israel at the International Court of Justice. National Security Council coordinator Admiral John Kirby said that the 84-page lawsuit against Israel, accusing Tel Aviv of genocide, is without merit. Kirby said: "We find this submission meritless, counterproductive and completely without any basis in fact whatsoever."

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