

Pentagon reportedly threatens to withhold military aid from Egypt unless it accepts Trump's Gaza plan



London, February 15 (RHC)-- According to media reports, the United States is attempting to pressure Cairo into accepting President Donald Trump's vision for the postwar Gaza Strip and the relocation of Palestinians to Egypt, Al-Araby Al-Jadeed reports.

Citing Egyptian sources in Washington, the London-based news outlet alleges that the Pentagon recently warned Egyptian military officials that it may begin restricting military aid if Cairo doesn't fall in line and

accept Trump's plan. In particular, the sources say that supplies needed for routine maintenance and spare weapons parts could be on the chopping block.

Trump first suggested on January 25 that Egypt and Jordan should take in Palestinians from Gaza. In the days that followed, he proposed a U.S. takeover of Gaza and a potential permanent displacement of Palestinians from the enclave with no right of return.

He has continued to insist that both Jordan and Egypt will come around, although the Egyptian foreign ministry said earlier this week that it plans to present an alternative vision for the reconstruction of Gaza that ensures Palestinians remain on their land.

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