Israeli Cabinet Approves New Barrier along Jordan Border



Tel Aviv, July 2 (RHC)-- The Israeli regime has decided to put up a security barrier along the border areas of Jordan with the the occupied Palestinian lands. The new 30-kilometer (19-mile) barrier has been approved by the regime's security cabinet.

The office of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu claims the fence will be erected to prevent the entry of illegal migrants and terrorists. It is to be built between Eilat and the new Timna airport, an Israeli statement read.

The new airport is currently under construction 20 kilometers (12 miles) north of the city of Eilat. Eilat is a resort city located in the occupied Palestinian territories across the Jordanian border from the port city of Aqaba.

Netanyahu's office added that Tel Aviv had informed Jordan of the decision to build the barrier. Tel Aviv has also erected other separation barriers that run through the occupied West Bank, the Egyptian border and through Syria's Israeli-occupied Golan Heights. In addition, Israel has erected barriers along the Gaza Strip and Lebanon.

Palestinians say Tel Aviv seeks their immobilization and aims to imprison them within these barriers. Over the past decades, Israel has made a systematic effort to change the demographic makeup of Palestine by occupying the land's territories, taking in selected immigrants, constructing illegal settlements, destroying historical sites and expelling the local Palestinian population.

The long-running Israeli scheme has never been recognized by the international community.

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