

U.S. President Visits Israel as Protests Break Out Across West Bank



Tel Aviv, May 22 (RHC)-- U.S. President Donald Trump is visiting Israel today as part of his first trip abroad as president. During the two-day trip, he and Secretary of State Rex Tillerson are meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and other top Israeli officials.

In a controversial move, shortly after arriving in Israel, Trump became the first sitting U.S. president to visit the Wailing Wall in Israeli-occupied East Jerusalem.

Trump's visit comes after widespread protests broke out over the weekend across the Israeli-occupied West Bank, after a Jewish settler killed a young Palestinian Thursday. More than 100 protesters were injured as Israeli security forces shot live bullets and tear gas at the thousands of demonstrators.

Meanwhile, it is being reported that a number of Israeli officials decided not to attend Trump's welcoming ceremony at the airport in Tel Aviv, expressing concerns over a huge arms deal signed between the U.S. and Saudi Arabia.

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