

# *U.S. envoy's annexation remarks encourage violation of Palestinians' rights*

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Ramallah, June 11 (RHC)-- The Palestinian resistance movement Hamas has lashed at U.S. Ambassador to Israel David Friedman after he said the Tel Aviv regime has the right to annex “some” of the West Bank, arguing such comments amount to “legitimization of settlement expansion activities” in the occupied territories.

The movement announced that the remarks which equal “an attack on Palestinians’ rights and are in violation of UN resolutions and international law” come on the 52nd anniversary of Naksa Day, during which the Israeli army occupied the city of al-Quds, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip as well as other Arab land in the 1967 Six-Day War, noting that “the United States will complete its hostility toward our nation through such comments, and strip it of the remaining rights.”

“The American administration carries full responsibility for any repercussions of these snide remarks, which encourage the Israeli occupation to commit further violations against our people, their rights and their land. The Palestinian nation will continue to resist the occupation and defend its rights,” the statement pointed out.

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