

# *Lebanese president slams Israel's violation of international law*

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Beirut, October 16 (RHC)-- Lebanese President Michel Aoun has censured the Israeli regime over breaching international regulations, treaties and principles, and seeking to impose a new fait accompli in the occupied territories.

"Israel violates other states' sovereignty, occupies the Golan Heights while declaring al-Quds (Jerusalem) as its capital and occupying Palestinian territories," Aoun said during an event in the capital Beirut.

The Lebanese president then described the Israeli regime's violation of international law as a dangerous precedent of the conspiracies being hatched for the Middle East region. "It is true that big wars have receded somehow; but their repercussions continue to have a bad impact. The most dangerous issue in this framework is the investment of these wars' impacts by fragmenting the east to establish new alliances based on racism and sectarianism," he said.

Aoun then strongly condemned the U.S. recognition of Jerusalem al-Quds as the capital of Israel, and the Tel Aviv regime "flagrant violation of all international law and resolutions."

"Israel's violations include settlement expansion, racist legislation and its disrespect for the inviolability of internationally recognized borders," the Lebanese president pointed out.

U.S. President Donald Trump on December 6, 2017 defied global warnings and said Washington formally recognized Jerusalem al-Quds as the capital of Israel. His decision infuriated the Palestinians, who declared that Washington could no longer play a role as lead mediator in the Middle East peace process. It also sparked outrage across the Muslim world and even Washington's Arab allies.

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