



Biden's Trip to Israel and Pursuit of Failed Initiatives

Joe Biden's trip to Israel is primarily motivated by his desire to prevent another crisis in the Middle East on the eve of the 2024 US presidential election. He aims to prevent Israeli generals from implementing a new scenario. Secondly, Biden seeks to calm the situation to foil Hezbollah's operations in the occupied northern territories. Thirdly, he intends to revitalize the normalization of relations between Israel and Saudi Arabia, using it as an electoral card to gain the support of the Jewish lobby. Hence, it must be said that in the US, demonstrating solidarity with Israel is particularly important, especially when the threat of Iranian interference or support for the Lebanese allies,

namely Hezbollah, continues. Washington has dispatched two aircraft carriers and military ships to the region to deter Iran and Hezbollah. While the Israeli Prime Minister has issued orders for the army to prepare for a bloody ground assault against Hamas in Gaza, Gaza is currently under destructive Israeli airstrikes that have leveled parts of the region, claiming over 10,000 lives. The danger for Biden on this trip is that he may align himself too closely with Israel's invasion of Gaza. President Joe Biden's 7.5-hour trip to Tel Aviv expressed full US support for Israel, but fell short in another key objective: Gaining the attention of Arab leaders. Amid the growing signs that the conflict may escalate beyond control, Biden stated that the US would protect its allies and send a clear mes-

sage to regional rivals like Iran to stay out of war. Biden promised a new package of "unprecedented support" with one US aircraft carrier in the region and another on the way. Therefore, it can be said that with an assessment of the two recent trips by Biden to Israel, the security situation of this regime can be evaluated. Biden's initial trip included the formation of an Arab NATO and support for the Abraham Accords and initiatives such as regional air defense to pressure Iran and an Arab-Israeli coalition against it. However, during these trips, Operation Al-Aqsa Storm by Hamas completely altered the regional conditions and equations. Today, during Biden's term, it can be said that US Middle East plans against Iran have failed, and instead, Israel has become the focus of regional developments. Today, the focus of re-

gional countries and the Muslim world is on Israel's crimes, and it must be said that once again, American-Israeli plans to divert Arab countries' focus to Iran and cover up their crimes against the Palestinian people have failed. During the Biden presidency, Middle East plans were put in place to curb Iran and create a coalition against Iran. From the Abraham's Peace Plan to Middle East NATO initiatives, the Arab-Israeli security alliance, and the Middle East Air Defense plan against Iran, these were aimed at uniting regional players to focus on countering the Iranian threat and stabilizing the security situation for Israel. As a result, Biden's first trip to the Middle East focused on Iran and building a consensus against it. This country became the focal point of the Middle East foreign policy of the Biden administra-

tion and formed the security threat to the countries in the region. Therefore, after Operation Al-Aqsa Storm, all of Biden's foreign policy equations in the region fell apart, and Israel, as a strategic partner of the US, became the central figure in security developments, facing significant threats. Today, during the Biden era, American Middle East plans against Iran have failed, and instead, Israel has taken center stage in regional developments. The focus of regional countries and the Muslim world is on Israel's crimes, and Iran is no longer considered a regional threat to Muslim countries. Therefore, it must be said that from the beginning of Biden's term and his first trip to the Middle East, which aimed to build a consensus against Iran, to his latest trip in support of the Zionist regime, all their equations and plans have faced setbacks.



US President Joe Biden descends from Air Force One as he lands for a three-day visit, at Ben Gurion International Airport in Lod near Tel Aviv, Israel.
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