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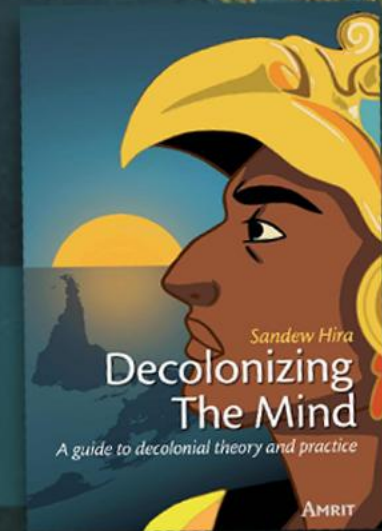
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## Imperial arrogance and its implications



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# The Arab plan

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In his opening remarks, Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi said the plan would ensure Gazans “remain on their land.”

Sisi proposed forming an administrative committee of independent Palestinian professionals to temporarily oversee Gaza's affairs, paving the way for the return of the Palestinian Authority.

The Egyptian plan outlines a five-year roadmap with an estimated cost of \$53 billion, roughly matching the United Nations' assessment of Gaza's reconstruction needs.

A proposed early recovery phase, expected to last six months and cost \$3 billion, would focus on clearing unexploded ordnance and debris, and providing temporary housing.

That would be followed by a \$20-billion initial reconstruction stage running until 2027 and focusing on rebuilding essential infrastructure and permanent housing.

The next stage of reconstruction, extending to 2030 at an estimated cost of \$30 billion, aims to build more housing, infrastructure, and industrial and commercial facilities.

# US reaction to Arab plan

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The White House has said the Arab leaders' Gaza reconstruction plan "does not address the reality that Gaza is currently uninhabitable." The White House also said that US President Donald Trump "stands by his vision to rebuild Gaza free from Hamas."

# Qatar Prime Minister interview Tucker Carlson

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The U.S. asked Qatar to open the channels of communication with Hamas and US what was applied to Taliban as well.

Steve Witkoff, Trump's envoy for Western Asia: We have done business. I've known him for a long time. I attended his son wedding. I have a personal relationship.

On Iran: we worked against each other in Syria for 14 years. We made the bilateral as a relationship of necessity that we need to have this engagement together all the time. Those disagreements, we talk about them, we try to understand each other concern, and we try to find a common ground

# Israel wants to restart the war in Gaza

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- ❑ What will be the goal? More destruction. It did not defeat Hamas
- ❑ The restart could lead to a new war in the region. Israel is preparing for it.

# US-Iran

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Trump announced his proposal about the talks in a Truth Social post on Friday, saying he sent Khamenei a message. Iran's mission to the UN told TASS that it did not receive the message. Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi told AFP that Tehran will not hold talks with Washington as long as the Trump administration pursues a policy of maximum pressure against the country.

Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, rejected talks with the US, saying Washington doesn't really care about resolving problems. There was a deal, just honor that.



# War with Iran

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IDF Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Eyal Zamir told the high command on Thursday night that 2025 will be a year of war focused on Gaza and Iran, with other fronts also being given attention. The IDF has developed many relatively new Iran units in the IDF Intelligence and Air Force commands, and these newer units have possibly made the old unified Iran-focused command less central.

# President Pezeshkian: Unity Key to Countering Enemy Plots

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If divisions arise and differences emerge, we will not be able to achieve the goal. We must, therefore, join hands, open up our hearts, put up with each other, and not easily get angry or lose temper.

No power can bring to a standstill a nation that is united, follows a leader and moves towards a direction. We are capable of disrupting flawed calculations. We should not capitulate to any threat that enemies would make. This is possible using unity and cohesion.



# Syria

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According to the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, a UK-based war monitor, at least 745 Alawite civilians have been killed in Latakia and Tartous since Thursday, as well as about 125 members of the government's security forces.

# Mexico

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- ❑ There are over 20,000 U.S. companies with operations or subsidiaries in Mexico. These companies span various industries, including manufacturing, technology, automotive, retail, and services.
- ❑ Mexico is a key destination for U.S. investment due to its proximity, trade agreements like the USMCA (United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement), and lower labor costs. Major U.S. corporations such as General Motors, Ford, Walmart, Coca-Cola, and Microsoft have significant operations in Mexico.
- ❑ Mexico's main trading partner is the United States, a country to which Mexicans exported approximately US\$490 billion in 2023. This figure represented nearly 30% of Mexico's gross domestic product (GDP)

# Europe funds Russia's war

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Has Europe spent more on Russian oil and gas than aid to Ukraine, as Trump claims? YES

Research by the Centre for Research on Energy and Clean Air (CREA) says that the European Union's 27 member states purchased more than € 205 billion in Russian fossil fuels, including oil, coal and gas, since the start of the full-scale invasion in 2022.

According to the European Commission, the EU's total financial, military and humanitarian support to Ukraine stands as € 133.4 billion.

That's 35% less than the estimated amount spent on Russian fossil fuel imports.

# Imperial arrogance

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- ❑ You don't control the world, yet you act as if you do. Sooner or later reality check will kick in.
- ❑ You don't have the military means to impose your will anymore.
- ❑ Your other instrument are boycott and tariffs. Both don't work.
- ❑ This is how a dying empire looks like

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