

Greater Israel in the Making? Israeli Official Calls for the Occupation of Damascus

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A senior Israeli official called on Saturday night for the occupation of the Syrian capital Damascus based on the teachings of the Jewish holy book the Torah, Felesteen newspaper reported.

During a TV show on the Israel's Channel 2, Deputy Speaker of the Israeli Knesset Bezalel Smotrich (pictured left) said that Israeli borders are beyond the current borders and Jerusalem's borders reach Damascus based on the Torah.

Smotrich, member of the extremist Israeli party Jewish Home, suggested that Israel temporarily accept the current borders, which include the Golan Heights and the occupied West Bank, stressing that it has to work to achieve what was dictated by the Torah.

Meanwhile, the MK reiterated that the extremist Israeli settlers who burnt the home of the Palestinian Dawabsheh family were not terrorists. He said such acts are only considered a kind of terror when they are carried out by the "enemies of the Jewish people who are Arabs".

He also called for the settlers' leaders to control all the lands of the occupied West Bank, considering it Israeli land.

In addition, he stressed that anyone who does not accept Israeli sovereignty over the West Bank "must be expelled from this land," adding that there are 20 Arab countries which can be their destination.

He went on to stress on the importance of building a Jewish temple in place of Al-Aqsa Mosque.

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