

News Analysis: Tough positions, obstacles keep Israel, UAE from finalizing breakthrough peace deal

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JERUSALEM, Sept. 4 (Xinhua) -- Despite mutual willingness with U.S. sponsorship, the first-ever Israeli delegation to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) is not enough to sign a breakthrough agreement.

During their two-day official meeting on Monday and Tuesday, Israel and the UAE both held a tough position, even with the mediation of the senior U.S. presidential advisor Jared Kushner.

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Yoel Guzansky, a senior fellow researcher at the **Institute for National Security Studies**, said another possible hindrance to the signing of the peace deal is Israel's unwillingness to see "Americans sell all kinds of sophisticated weaponry to the UAE."

Arab countries think about what they can benefit from peace with Israel, as well as which gestures, such as weapons, they can get in exchange from the United States, Guzansky noted.

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