

## **Future of US military aid to Israel unclear, says top US expert**

Israel's former deputy national security advisor, Chuck Freilich, spoke on Radio 103FM and warned against the consequences of the current rift between the governments due to the judicial overhaul led by Netanyahu

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A senior Israeli defense says that the current crisis with the US – which has been unfolding over the Israeli government's plans for a judicial overhaul – is unprecedented, and is warning of dire consequences – which might have an immediate effect on Israel's security.

"We're currently living in this great world, in which the Americans 'owe' us four billion dollars a year – and that's forever. But that's not the case!" said **Chuck Freilich**, Israel's former deputy national security advisor, and a senior researcher at the **Institute for National Security Studies**, referring to the annual US foreign aid to Israel.

The US is currently committed to a 10-year, \$38 billion military aid deal, which covers fiscal years 2019-2028. "The chances that we will get another 10-year aid package are very unclear, and this should be a cause of great concern for all of us," said **Freilich**, a US native, who spoke earlier this morning on Israel's 103FM radio with journalists Ben Caspit and Yinon Magal.

"Israel's dependence on the US is existential, there is no alternative," he said.

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