

Egypt fed up with Netanyahu, but crisis with Israel deeper than Philadelphi

Bilateral relations between Israel and Egypt have been extremely tense, mostly due to disagreement over the Philadelphi Corridor, but not only that.

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Ofir Winter, a senior researcher at the Israeli Institute for National Security Studies, maintains that Netanyahu's statements on the Philadelphi Corridor pushed Cairo into a corner. "The accusations by Netanyahu, qualifying the border between Gaza and Egypt as porous, embarrassed Cairo because they imply Egyptian fault," Winter told Al-Monitor.

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"The Egyptian Street is more concerned with internal economic hardships than with the war in Gaza, and its influence on the position of the authorities is limited" said Winter. "At the same time, the difficult economic situation in Egypt reflects the status of the regime and discourages it from adopting policies that may be perceived as controversial among segments of the public. Egypt is careful not to be seen as Israel's partner vis-a-vis the Gaza Strip and thereby provide ammunition to the regime's Islamist and other critics."

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