
AZERBAIJANI PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER WARNS DC ON GAZA: 'DON'T REPEAT OUR MISTAKES'

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For Azerbaijan, the stakes extend beyond Gaza, as it positions itself at the center of a geopolitical contest that stretches from Israel and Turkey through Iran, Russia, and the South Caucasus.

As Israel weighs Turkey's role in any Gaza stabilization force, Azerbaijan warns that a security-first approach to postwar reconstruction will fail without local acceptance and economic integration - advice drawn from its own post-conflict experience, and aimed at proposals circulating in Washington and Jerusalem.

Any stabilization force must be realistic, not symbolic, Hikmet Hajiyev, senior foreign policy adviser to President Ilham Aliyev, told The Media Line. It has to be accepted locally and coordinated internationally. We have seen many cases where security arrangements failed because they were imposed rather than constructed.

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