

# Arab states' stance on Jerusalem welcomed

# House to write to US Congress on Trump move

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In the aftermath of the controversial statements of US President Donald Trump last week, declaring Al Quds (Jerusalem) as the capital of Israel, the House of Representatives here in Bahrain is planning to send a letter of objection to US Congress.

This was unfolded as the council's Permanent Committee for the Support of the Palestinian People, chaired by MP Mohammed

Al Emmadi, held a meeting on Sunday to discuss the matter.

Committee members announced several recommendations that included requesting the House to issue a statement clarifying the position of Bahrain rejecting such a step, and drafting an official letter from House of Representatives to the US Congress to clarify the point of view of the Legislative Authority of this resolution and to "remind it of its dangers to the security in the region".

"The American role has become biased towards the occupier against the Palestinian

people who want to live in peace by establishing a state with Al Quds as its capital," Al Emmadi said.

He also confirmed that MPs will organise a symbolic protest during their weekly meeting today to express their disagreement with such "reckless decisions" and to reiterate the support of the Kingdom of Bahrain for the establishment of a Palestinian state with Al Quds as its capital.

Al Emmadi added that "the decision will not change the historic facts" stressing that "Al Quds is the eternal capital of the State of Palestine".



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HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa during the weekly cabinet meeting held yesterday

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The weekly Cabinet meeting chaired by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister, at the Gudaibiya Palace yesterday discussed the latest developments in the Palestine-Israel peace process. The Cabinet affirmed that the Kingdom of Bahrain, under the leadership of His Majesty King Hamad, recognises the Palestinian cause as central to Arab and Islamic affairs. The Cabinet stressed Bahrain's support for the Palestinian right to establish an independent state with East Jerusalem as its capital. The Cabinet also highlighted the importance of avoiding any measures that could lead to delaying the ongoing efforts to revive the Arab-Israeli peace process. The Cabinet went on to welcome the stance of the Arab League regarding

Jerusalem at the extraordinary meeting held recently by Arab foreign ministers in Cairo. The Cabinet also commended Arab and Islamic countries across the world for demonstrating their support to Jerusalem and the Palestinian people. The Cabinet greeted His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa on the occasion of the Kingdom's National Day and the 18th anniversary of His Majesty's accession to the throne. Bahrain's National Day commemorates the establishment of the Bahraini state during the reign of Shaikh Ahmed Al Fateh in 1783 AD, and the 46th anniversary of the Kingdom being fully recognised by the United Nations. **US visit** During the meeting, His Royal Highness the Crown Prince reviewed the outcomes of his recent visit to the United States, including bilateral meetings with President Trump and U.S.

Administration officials. The Cabinet discussed the range of bilateral agreements signed during the visit, which signalled a new phase in Bahrain-U.S. ties across defence, the economy and trade. The Cabinet paid tribute to Bahraini soldiers who sacrificed their lives defending the country, while recognising that Bahrain's Commemoration Day, which falls on 17 December, is a reminder of selfless dedication and commitment. During the meeting, His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak, Deputy Prime Minister, reviewed the outcomes of the GCC summit held in Kuwait last week. The Cabinet praised the important role of Kuwait, under the leadership of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, in hosting the summit, which emphasised the importance of strengthening intra-regional collaboration and cooperation.