

``US Embassy in East Jerusalem

An Egyptian demand before a Palestinian one

Seeking the possible is far better than seeking the impossible, under the current circumstances that followed Trump becoming the US President. Events took a quicker pace, as the new US President is planning to carry out internally and externally holistic changes, to correct, as he says, the mistakes committed by the Obama administration and preceding governments. Such changes aim to provide the US a new internal data- based platform intending an economic reform, the largest of its kind that would eliminate lots of constraints and burdens facing the US economy launching new investment mechanisms, creating new job opportunities for the American people. On the other hand, Trump announced a change in the American foreign policy that would put an end to an applied policy through decades causing historical enmity with Russia and China that proved to be falsely grounded, intending to subvert remaining shadows and ghosts of the cold war. His first action is directed to enhance economy and sustainable development and start a new page of cooperation with the enemies of yesterday, stressing that the war against Terrorism will be a comprehensive war at all levels as a first priority.

As for the promise made by President Trump during his election campaign to move the US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, which sparked a wave of Arab and Palestinian protests as a greater impediment to the process of establishing Palestinian-Israeli peace and stall the process of statehood. It also seems to be a biased action, as part of the double standard policy practiced by the United States decades ago, despite its persistent denial of this biased policy.

Perhaps, if we think a bit outside the box, we will see that we are required to demand what is possible rather than demanding the impossible. I mean by

demanding to have a unified Palestinian front behind an Egyptian initiative that calls for a demand reflecting democracy, justice and equality, namely setting a US embassy in East Jerusalem, along with one approved to be set in West Jerusalem.

This demand may be in itself the means to move stagnant waters, reflecting the merits of the establishment of two states and the mechanisms of systematic implementation at both international and local levels, leading to an explicit international recognition of the actual existence of an independent and sovereign Palestinian state .

It may be considered as an invitation to unite under this demand, as the subject of relocating the US Embassy to Jerusalem has become a confirmed matter in principle, or in other words is in the wait to choose the right time, nothing more.

So, it is subject to delay for a while, thus becoming an issue of time that may be extended but is not cancelable in the short or medium term at best.

This should be followed (if undertaken by the Palestinians, at their discretion) by providing infrastructure constituents of an independent Palestinian state in terms of financial and natural resources and further contact with the World using roads, seaports and airports, a prerequisite of economic and trade management (internally and externally). This would be considered as a just undisputed demand, positively responded to and globally supported by democratic countries, such as the European Union, Arab States, the Asian bloc, Russia, China and the United States of America under its new leadership, which will be considered the sponsor of solving this historic and difficult problem. This problem represents a sign of failure at all levels, including the United Nations and successive US governments since the end of the Second World War until the end of the Obama administration.