

# Is Egypt Planning to Take Control of Gaza?

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The Egyptians have been heavily involved in ending the Gaza War and its aftermath. It was Egypt that was responsible for arranging the ceasefire between Hamas and Israel. It is Egypt that has been the first state to pledge a massive aid package – \$500 million – for Gaza. And it is Egyptians, with heavy-duty equipment – bulldozers, trucks, cranes – who have been arriving in the Gaza Strip to begin the enormous task of both clearing the rubble, and rebuilding the Strip. Whether Egypt is considering remaining in the Strip is discussed here: “Is Egypt planning to retake control of the Gaza Strip?,” by Khaled Abu Toameh, [Jihad Watch](#).