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Trump's administration decisions dismiss Palestinian cause: Aboul Gheit

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USPA NEWS - Arab League Secretary-General Ahmed Aboul Gheit has condemned the closure of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) offices in Washington, citing it as "a complete bias to Israeli agenda."^[?]

Earlier on Monday, the Trump administration ordered the closure of the PLO offices in Washington, saying that "the PLO has not taken steps to advance the start of direct and meaningful negotiations with Israel."^[?]

The PLO is the national representative of the Palestinian people. It was established in 1964 and has been the embodiment of the Palestinian national movement.

Aboul Gheit said on Tuesday that the gesture is an episode of recent US arbitrary policies and procedures that dismiss the Palestinian cause.

"Since the current US administration recognised Jerusalem as Israel's capital in May, its policies unveiled a complete bias towards Israeli agenda,"^[?] added Aboul Gheit.

He further criticised an earlier US decision of ending all its funding to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA), which supports over five million Palestinian refugees.

"All recent US measures aim at weakening Palestinian peoples' will and reflect a misreading of their history and struggles,"^[?] Aboul Gheit noted.

The UNRWA was established in December 1949 following the 1948 Arab-Israeli conflict. The organisation provides education, health care, relief, and social services for millions of Palestinians.

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