Trump's Peace Plan Won't Have a Chance Unless Israel Shows Restraint on Annexation

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Undifferentiated settlement annexation will inevitably undermine Israel's ability to separate from the Palestinians, making a one-state outcome more likely.

The Trump administration has now unveiled its Mideast peace plan. While we should expect plenty of debate about its terms, which represent a sharp departure from past U.S. peacemaking efforts, another development has essentially pushed the plan into the background. Israeli officials have announced that they plan to annex all West Bank settlements next week. If they do, this new phase of the process will be dead before it really starts...

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