

# Trump threatens to cut aid to Jordan, Egypt

**U.S. President Donald Trump says he would consider withholding aid to Jordan and Egypt if they don't co-operate with his plan to take control of Gaza and resettle the population in the two countries**



**Trump:** Says he would "take over" Gaza Strip to rebuild it, displacing Palestinians to another "permanent place"

**Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al-Sissi**

Rejects plan and calls for reconstruction of Gaza, but without displacing population

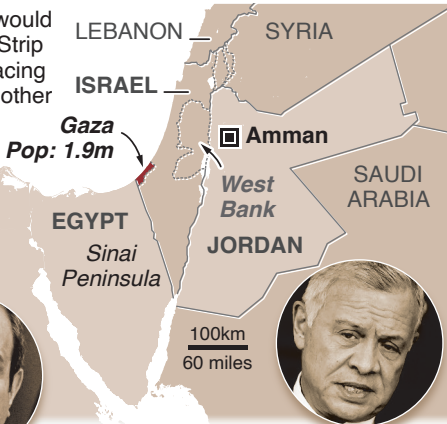
■ **Thousands of Palestinians have fled to Egypt since war with Israel began, but they are not recognised as refugees**



**U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, 2023 (\$bn)**



**Jordan and Egypt were third and fourth-highest recipients of U.S. foreign aid in 2023**



**King Abdullah II of Jordan**

Believes Trump's plan will spread chaos in region and jeopardise kingdom's peace with Israel

■ Jordan, where more than half of 12 million population is of Palestinian descent, houses 2.39 million Palestinian refugees

■ **Kingdom is home to multiple U.S. military bases and its security cooperation is vital for Israel, which is concerned about smuggling routes into occupied West Bank**