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THE GOVERNOR OF OREGON SAYS AMERICAN POLICY IN THE REGION LACKS CREDIBILITY.

Mr. Victor Atiyeh, Governor of Oregon, criticized American policy in the Middle East and its positions on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Mr. Atiyeh said in an interview with Thawra Newspaper that he believes it is a great mistake that the American Congress is approving the transfer of the American Embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. The American official continued warning of the dangers that will result from this matter. He believes that just talking about this issue is considered dangerous.

Mr. Atiyeh confirmed that it is not in America's interests that such a thing take place.

Regarding America's role in the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Middle East crisis, Mr. Atiyeh confirmed that America's role lacks credibility. He said that in order for America to become a mediator, it must possess credibility and that America has lost this credibility.

Mr. Atiyeh expressed his hope that peace would be achieved in the region. He said the American people care about peace in the Middle East and that they are anxious about the events and suffering that were witnessed by the region. He added that there will be a day when the American people will have their say.

About the role of Arab emigrants and Arab communities in America regarding the Arab cause and the required role in the face of the Zionist Lobby's role in the US, Mr. Atiyeh said that the Arab communities are acting to form groups that are effective and that can practice in the future an activity that would serve the Arab cause.

Mr. Atiyeh explained that four years ago, an Arab association was established in Washington and it is trying to get in touch with American popular and official circles to explain to them the dimensions of the Arab cause and the facts of the conflict in the region.

Mr. Atiyeh lauded the projects and achievements that were accomplished on the level of internal construction. He also expressed his satisfaction with his talks with some of the Syrian officials.

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