



## **Denmark Rejects Recognition of Palestinian State**

Denmark's Parliament <u>rejected a proposal</u> that would recognize a Palestinian state earlier today. The proposal was introduced by left-wing politicians from the Red-Green Alliance, the Social Liberals, the Alternative, and the Socialist People's Party.

Danish Red-Green Alliance MP Trine Pertou Mach encouraged Denmark to follow Ireland, Norway, and Spain in recognizing the State of Palestine, stating:

The government parties will also have a chance to vote when we vote next week. And I would clearly urge the government to change its position and follow Norway and the other European countries.



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Danish Foreign Minister Lars Løkke Rasmussen stated recognition of the State of Palestine should occur during a peace process, stating:

Like the majority of EU countries, we believe that recognition of Palestine should take place at a time when it can actually promote a two-state solution. That time is not now. It must be done in a peace process, while at the same time clarifying Palestine's territorial borders and Palestinian authorities' control over their own territory, which are some of the hallmarks of an independent state.

Rasmussen also stated on X that Denmark is prepared to recognize the State of Palestine during a "irreversible peace process".





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