

Former Israeli Defence Minister Calls on Government to Assassinate Hamas Leaders

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Israel's former Defence Minister Benjamin Ben-Eliezer called for the Israeli government to immediately assassinate Hamas leaders, an Israeli news site has reported.

Ben-Eliezer is reported to have said:

"The government must immediately return to the assassination policy, and let Hamas leaders understand that there is no security for them day and night and that there is no difference between political and army wing leaders."



He said: "Hamas political leadership incites and inflames the atmosphere [against Israel] and encourages terrorism."

Ben-Eliezer called on the Israeli government to strengthen Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas and to pressure him to remove Hamas from government and then work on the resumption of the peace process.

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