

# Hezbollah vs. the "State Sponsors of Terrorism"

Saudi Arabia and Gulf States Join the West and Israel in Declaring Hezbollah, a Terrorist Organization

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The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) is following Washington, Paris and Tel Aviv by declaring that a political and military force that resists Israeli aggression in Southern Lebanon known as 'Hezbollah' a terrorist organization.

The U.S., France, Israel, the Netherlands, Australia and Canada declared Hezbollah a terrorist organization. The European Union, the United Kingdom and New Zealand declared that only Hezbollah's military division, is a terrorist organization.

The GCC includes Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) which is dominated by Sunni's now classify Hezbollah as a "terrorist organization" that participated in "hostile actions" according to a recent Al Jazeera report. On record, the GCC consists of Western-sponsored patsies who have some of the world's worst human rights violations and has sponsored numerous Terrorist organizations including ISIS and Al Qaeda. Al Jazeera interviewed GCC Secretary General Abdullatif al-Zayani who said "the [Hezbollah] militia recruited young people [from the Gulf] for terrorist acts" although it's on record that Saudi Arabia and Turkey along with the U.S. has supported ISIS and other terrorist organizations. Let's look back on Hezbollah's history on how they became a political resistance force in the first place.

Hezbollah is a Shia political and military organization based in (southern) Lebanon which has political and financial support from Iran since the 1980s. Hezbollah became a rival political organization against the Shia Amal movement during the War of the Camps between 1985 and 1988 over Palestinian Refugee camps that were attacked by the Amal movement. Hezbollah opposed U.S. forces and Syria during the Lebanon War which was multifaceted civil war among various groups.

When Israel invaded Lebanon in 1982 under the pretext that the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) was firing Katyusha rockets from Southern Lebanon resulting in more than 23,000 deaths and tens of thousands more injured led to the very creation of Hezbollah. Hezbollah launched a guerilla war against Israel who occupied a strip in Southern Lebanon after the invasion with the South Lebanon Army (SLA), a militia that was sponsored by Israel to fight Hezbollah or any Lebanese resistance group. The occupation lasted until 2000, and then the Shebba Farms conflict, a lighter ongoing conflict between IDF soldiers and Hezbollah over Israel occupying the Shebba farm strip. Naturally skirmishes took place between both sides until the 2006 Lebanon War began.

Hezbollah tries its best to provide social services and health care for the Lebanese people and at the same time, they must remain cautious because an undeclared nuclear power that has went to war with most of its neighbors on various levels and who is also known to commit genocide against the Palestinians is close to their borders. Hezbollah is a resistance organization against Israeli expansion which is following the Yinon Plan to destabilize the Middle East and Northern Africa and break sovereign nations within those regions into smaller nations that they can easily dominate. Israel does have one of most advanced militaries in the World due to the U.S. foreign aid.

Israel's Ongoing threat to Southern Lebanon

Israeli media has been reporting on the IDF's readiness to face Hezbollah's onslaught if they decided to launch an attack In 2014, the *Times of* Israel published a report titled 'Israel preparing for 'very violent' war against Hezbollah, TV report says'. The report said that the IDF is "making plans and training" for "a very violent war" against Hezbollah in south Lebanon". According to the Times of Israel:

The report, for which the army gave Israel's Channel 2 access to several of its positions along the border with Lebanon, featured an IDF brigade commander warning that such a conflict "will be a whole different story" from the Israel-Hamas conflict in which over 2,000 Gazans (half of them gunmen according to Israel) and 72 Israelis were killed. "We will have to use considerable force" to quickly prevail over the Iranian-backed Hezbollah, "to act more decisively, more drastically," said Colonel Dan Goldfus, commander of the 769th Hiram Infantry Brigade

The report also mentioned what Colonel Goldfus had said that Hezbollah has the experience and the military capabilities to deal with the IDF:

He said that anyone who thought Hezbollah was in difficulties because it has sustained losses fighting with President Bashar Assad in Syria is mistaken. The report noted, indeed, that Hezbollah has now accumulated three years of battlefield experience, and has greater military capabilities and considerable confidence as a consequence

What was truly disturbing is what Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told UN Secretary -General Ban-Ki Moon in 2012:

The report said that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu warned UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon in 2012 that, in a future war against Hezbollah, Israel would have to hit homes in villages across southern Lebanon from which Hezbollah would seek to launch rockets into Israel

Hezbollah has been fighting in Syria against the Western created ISIS and Al-Nusra terrorist groups. In an interesting turn of events, Mintpressnews.com reported how Hezbollah and Christians (who have been terrorized by ISIS) are united in the fight against ISIS or any other terror group in Lebanon's southern border:

Citing Lebanese sources, Joseph Farah's G2 Bulletin says Christian villages in the Bekaa Valley area of Lebanon are forming militias to join Hezbollah fighters already engaging ISIS and the al-Qaeda-affiliated Jabhat al-Nursa Front in the Syrian Qalamoun mountains opposite villages in central and eastern Bekaa. Rifit Nasrallah, a Catholic businessman who is part of the militias fighting ISIS

in Ras Baalbek, discussed the alliance with Hezbollah in an International Business Times report last month. "We're in a very dangerous situation," he said. "The only people who are protecting us are the resistance of Hezbollah. The only one standing with the army is Hezbollah. Let's not hide it anymore

Israel is in preparations for another war with Hezbollah for some time because they do not want to suffer another defeat since every attempt to remove the Assad government has failed which led to a ceasefire brokered by Russia and the U.S. If Israel decides to launch another war against Hezbollah, it will be much more violent with massive civilian casualties on both sides of the border. Hezbollah is well prepared since they are the first line of defense against any Israeli attack on Lebanese territory. The next war will be much more violent than the 2006 conflict because there is an urgency to keep the momentum going by continuously destroying Syrian towns and cities and make Syrian life a living hell. Israel knows that when the U.S. Empire collapses, their military and financial aid would end. Israel has its back up against the wall because they have limited time to establish their geopolitical goals which poses a danger for the region.

#### The March to Damascus and then Tehran Continues

Geopolitically, Hezbollah is an obstacle to the US, Israel, Turkey and the GCC in removing Syrian President Bashar al-Assad. Hezbollah defeated Israel in 2006 and now has the expertise in how to deal with Israel or an influx of ISIS militants attempting to ignite terror attacks. But one of the main reasons the GCC wants to destabilize Lebanon and eliminate Hezbollah is to weaken Iran's power in the region. Labeling Hezbollah a terrorist organization justifies an all out attack against the organization and it allows for the total destruction of Lebanon under the War on Terror.

In an editorial by <u>www.gulfnews.com</u> titled 'Hezbollah Pays the Price for Backing Iran' which claims that Iran is interfering with the Arab world:

Iran has been guilty of gross interference throughout the Arab world, against which the Saudis have finally taken a firm stand. They are fighting in Yemen to stop the disintegration of the country under the Iran-backed Al Houthi rebels, they have already backed the Bahraini government in stopping Iranian destabilisation moves and they have resisted the Iran-backed regime in Syria, not to mention their attempts to limit Iran's overweening influence in Iraq. It is time all Arabs recognise their Arab identity and stop working for Iranian forces. By being declared a terrorist organisation, Hezbollah is paying the price for supporting Iran's malignancy

Iran is interfering with the Arab world? Iran's actions are provoked by Western and Israeli interference in the Arab world since the end of World War II, first the through the creation of Israel by the British government in 1948 or America's coup against Iran in 1953 when Mohammad Mosaddegh was removed from power. The Coup called 'Operation Ajax' which was orchestrated by the CIA and MI6 to overthrow Mossaddegh who was replaced by the Mohammad Reza Pahlavi known as the Shah of Iran and brought back foreign oil firms to control Iran's oil industry. The Iranian Oil industry was nationalized under Mosaddegh, so there was no surprise that Western Big oil companies had a hand in the coup. The U.S. was involved in numerous assassinations, coups and various conflicts in the Middle East and North Africa after the Second World War including Syria (1956-7), Egypt (1957), Iraq (1963), South Yemen (1982-84), Libya (1980s), and Iraq (1991), Afghanistan since 1980s until the

present day, then in Iraq in 2003 and then again in both Libya and Syria in 2011.

The U.S., Israel and the GCC want to stop Iran's influence over the Middle East. Saudi Arabia and now Turkey want to dominate the Middle East taking its orders from Washington and Tel Aviv. Iran's oil exports threaten Saudi Arabia's economy since the sanctions were somewhat lifted during the Iran nuclear deal showdown with Washington. According to the Fars News Agency, Ayatollah Khatami rightly said that "The PGCC has declared the Hezbollah resistance group as a terrorist group, while we know that they moving along the path of normalizing ties with the Zionist regime and what they have done is exactly an execution of the Zionists' orders. "I would also add that the GCC took orders from their Western counterparts including the United States and the United Kingdom" He reiterated that Lebanon owes its security to Hezbollah, and said, "Had there not been Hezbollah, Lebanon would have been in the hands of Israel now." I agree especially when Israel is looking to expand its territory to create a "Greater Israel."

Declaring Hezbollah a terrorist organization is the first step in launching a new war on Lebanon's southern border. The idea is to defeat Hezbollah at all costs so that the U.S., Turkey and the GCC can weaken the Syrian government. That would allow enough time to rebuild ISIS and other terror groups to remove its President Bashar al-Assad but with Russia and Iran in the picture, that will not happen. What is inevitable is another war between Israel and Hezbollah.

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