



## Israel shakes fragile Iran-US peace talks with Lebanon assault

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A past photo of devastation in Lebanon. Israel continues to attack the country.

Israel's continuing attack on [Lebanon](#) has shaken the fragile peace talks between the US and Iran. The settler colonial state has also forced thousands to flee the southern suburbs of Beirut as it pushes into the capital.

Drop Site News [shared this week](#) how:

Hezbollah has framed its operations as retaliation for Israel's own daily strikes on civilian areas across southern Lebanon, which have killed hundreds of civilians and demolished entire towns and neighborhoods since Israel escalated war on March 2.

At the start of the latest Israeli invasion in March, the *Canary* [reported](#)

Israel violated the US-brokered Lebanon 2024 "ceasefire" more than 15,400 times since it was signed. Yet a short salvo from Hezbollah in March this year was framed as a signal outrage by [legacy media](#). That attack has been cited by the settler-colonial state as a pretext to invade.

And:

Not satisfied with pulling the US and its allies into a runaway war with Iran, Israeli troops have pushed into Lebanon with airstrikes pummeling the capital Beirut.

We reported the early moments of the [new war](#). You can also [read about the secretive Israel-US "side letter" pact](#), which gave Israel carte blanche to keep bombing through the ceasefire, and our

coverage of Israel's regular [breaches of the ceasefire](#)

## UN calls an emergency meeting

France 24 [said](#) that the UN Security Council would hold an emergency meeting on Monday 1 June on Israel expanding its operations in Lebanon. The European Union also called on Israel to "stop its military escalation".

It added:

Tehran has said a Lebanon ceasefire remained a key condition for any deal with Washington.

CBC [said](#) that Iranian media reported:

Iran is halting indirect talks with the U.S. after Israel ordered troops to push deeper into Lebanon to battle Tehran-backed Hezbollah.

Tasnim [media outlet] said the Islamic Republic's negotiation team was stopping exchanging messages with Washington through mediators over attacks on Lebanon, where the U.S.-Israeli war against Iran has reignited Israel's conflict with Hezbollah.

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## Israel seizes 'strategic' castle in bid for 'photo op'

Genocidal defence minister, Israel Katz, [crowed](#) about Israel's seizure of a 'strategic' Crusader castle in southern Lebanon.

He said:

Twenty-six years after the withdrawal, our heroic soldiers have captured Beaufort once again, and will remain there as part of the security zone in Lebanon.

Drop Site shared footage of a Hezbollah drone attack in the vicinity of the ruin.

Hezbollah has published footage it says shows an FPV drone attack carried out on May 31 against a position containing Israeli soldiers and military vehicles in the vicinity of Beaufort Castle (Qal'at al-Shaqif) in southern Lebanon.

The footage appears to show a drone striking a [pic.twitter.com/TXxlQzJm50](https://pic.twitter.com/TXxlQzJm50)

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At least two Israeli soldiers were killed near the castle.

An Israeli staff sergeant was killed by a drone strike near Yohmor, approximately a mile away from Beaufort Castle, a strategic position Israel seized in south Lebanon this week. The proximity of the strike suggests Israeli forces were operating in the castle's defensive area. <https://t.co/2qnNy8L4JB> <pic.twitter.com/4NorZ3BY52>

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According to the *Cradle*, Israel's operation in the area was a propaganda effort to calm northern Israeli settlers.

Hezbollah reportedly said:

Given the significant negative impact that the video footage broadcast by Hezbollah of its operations against the Israeli enemy army forces has had on the consciousness of the settlers within the occupation entity, the organization has desperately sought to obtain an image it could promote as a crushing victory, in the hope of diminishing the terror of the northern settlers.

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Statement by Hezbollah Operations Room concerning Israeli presence in the historic Beaufort (Al-Shaqif) Castle:

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Donald Trump claimed he had intervened to stop the Israeli push north with a phone call.

⚡ Trump claims â??All shooting will stopâ? between Israel and Hezbollah after phone calls

◆ President Trump said Monday he spoke with Israel's Prime Minister Netanyahu in what he described as a â??very productive call.â? Trump also claimed he spoke with Hezbollah through â??highlyâ? <pic.twitter.com/w9M1xRwyFV>

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Israel reportedly bombed a hospital in Tyre in retaliation for the killing the two IOF troops at Beaufort Castle.

The Israeli attack on Jabal Amel Hospital in Tyre comes in a continuation of systematic elimination of medical services in South Lebanon, by daily targeting of paramedics medical centers and ambulances. Since 2nd of March, 134 paramedics were murdered with more than 250 injured, <https://t.co/Ma2igC54Zi> [pic.twitter.com/u3ifuv6Huj](https://pic.twitter.com/u3ifuv6Huj)

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It is not clear what the UN security council will do. Like many international institutions it has proven toothless in regards to Gaza, Lebanon and elsewhere.

Israel's refreshed assault on Lebanon may well be driven by an intent to derail peace talks. The Canary has [reported](#) that [@HadiHtt](#) fear they have lost sway on Washington.

US president Donald Trump is desperate for a way out of the failed war with Iran. Israel, however, can't let go of its colonial ambitions.

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