



Lebanon's US-aligned PM condemns Iran for Israel's attacks in deranged interview

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Lebanese PM Nawwaf Salam has [condemned](#) Iran for Israel's [war of aggression in southern Lebanon](#) in a deranged interview with the Murdoch *Times*.

Nawaaf claimed that Tehran rejected a supposed "ceasefire deal" in Israel's invasion of Lebanon because:

Tehran wanted to say Lebanon is a card in our pocket, that "we decide on Lebanon's behalf; we are the decision-makers".

The one-sided "deal" involved Israel being free "its usual *modus operandi*" to continue attacking and seizing territory in southern Lebanon. By contrast, resistance group Hezbollah would have to cease all operations, lay down its arms and leave the territory, giving the invaders free rein. But Israel would supposedly stop bombing Beirut.

Instead, Iran has continued to refuse any ceasefire in its own war with Israel and the US that does not include Israel leaving all Lebanese territory and ceasing all aggression against Lebanon. And when Israel bombed Beirut this week, on 8 June 2026, Iran [struck Israel in retaliation](#), having warned the occupiers it would do so.

## Lebanon's "Vichy" government

Despite Shia Muslims forming the largest group in Lebanon, Lebanon's so-called "National Pact" mandates that the country's president must always be a Maronite Christian and its prime

minister a Sunni Muslim while the speaker of parliament is Shia Muslim.

[Salam's government](#) is widely [considered](#) a [Vichy](#) regime collaborating with its occupiers. This collaboration has led to accusations of "high treason" and "servile collaboration" with Israel and its US backers despite Israel's bombing of Beirut. This has triggered [renewed street protests](#) against the regime demanding resistance to Israel's invasion.

Salam clearly isn't listening, too busy parroting his sponsors' narrative that absolves Israel of its land theft and murder and blames Iran for daring to resist.

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