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Iran poised to retaliate against Israel for assassinations of Haniyeh, Nasrallah, and top IRGC commander

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Iranian woman holds onto Hassan Nasrallah's picture during a rally on Saturday, Sept. 28, slamming Israeli aggression on Lebanon.

Despite great calamity, Hezbollah persists and its followers will not surrender

By Sondos Al-Asaad

BEIRUT - The Zionist entity has been established on genocide, displacement and cowardly assassination of the Lebanese and Palestinian resistance leaders and members. The latest of which was the assassination of the leader of the Lebanese resistance, His Eminence Shaheed Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah (R).

Indeed, the sadistic Zionist terrorist psychopath, Benjamin Netanyahu, was right when he claimed that his blatant assassination would be a "historical turning point," but in a context totally different from the one he and the American terrorist regime desire. Netanyahu has not taken into account the same foolish crime previously committed by his criminal predecessor Yitzhak Rabin, when he assassinated Hezbollah's secretary general, His Eminence Sayyed Abbas al-Musawi in 1992, who was succeeded by a more stern leader, whose leadership humiliated the colonial entity - over three decades - achieving successive victories and rubbing its arrogant nose in the dirt.

Hezbollah deputy chief: 'We will carry the path to victory'

By Wesam Bahrani

TEHRAN- Sheikh Naim Qassem, the Hezbollah deputy secretary-general, addressed several points in a televised address following the martyrdom of Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah.

The speech marks the first public address by a Hezbollah official after the movement announced the martyrdom of its secretary-general on Saturday.

In his speech, Sheikh Qassem extended his condolences to the Lebanese people and the Islamic and Arab nations on the martyrdom of Sayyed Nasrallah.

He emphasized the resistance movement will continue the path of martyr Seyyed Nasrallah, and the ongoing confrontation with the Israeli occupation regime in support of Gaza and in defense of Lebanon, its people and in response to the Israeli attacks and assassinations.

Sheikh Qassem confirmed that "Hezbollah will select a new secretary-general at the earliest opportunity in accordance with the party's approved mechanisms," noting that "we will fill the leadership positions on a permanent basis. The choices will be easy because they are clear."

Lebanon ground invasion: Israel must proactively stockpile coffins for its soldiers

By Shahrokh Saei

TEHRAN- Israel appears to be preparing to carry out its long-standing threat of initiating a ground invasion of Lebanon despite a growing international outcry against the regime's warmongering in the region.

Over the past months, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu had threatened to send his troops to Lebanon ostensibly to deter the Hezbollah resistance movement from launching attacks against Israel.

Hezbollah and Israel have been trading fire since the latter declared war on Gaza on October 7.

The Lebanese resistance movement has fired rockets and missiles toward Israel in solidarity with Palestinians in Gaza.

Tens of thousands of people have become displaced in northern Israel and southern Lebanon amid the exchanges of fire between Israel and Hezbollah over the course of Gaza's nearly one-year war.

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A better future for humanity cannot be achieved without upholding globalization and multipolarity

By ZHANG Yuan

SHANGHAI, China - The curtain descended on the United Nations Summit of the Future on September 23 in New York. It ushered in many new opportunities and new ideas for global governance. Although the world is still facing a series of global challenges such as war, poverty and displacement, there is a general consensus among participants that working together to reduce the security deficit, promote sustainable human development, oppose zero-sum games, and enhance the discourse power of the Global South can cope with chaos and risks. ▶ Page 5



Tehran, Moscow on path to strengthen ties, Iranian president says

TEHRAN - Mikhail Mishustin, the Prime Minister of Russia, has emphasized the importance of strengthening relations between Moscow and Tehran, particularly highlighting the efforts to enhance trade and economic cooperation in key sectors such as transportation, energy, industry, and agriculture.

Mishustin arrived in Tehran on Monday at the head of a high-level delegation.

His meeting with Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian marked an important step in advancing bilateral relations and addressing key regional challenges.

During their discussions, President Pezeshkian highlighted the recently signed agreement to transform Iran into ▶ Page 2

President visits Hezbollah office in Tehran to offer condolences over Nasrallah's martyrdom

TEHRAN - Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian declared that the world should recognize that the blood of Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah and his associates will fuel a strong resistance against tyranny and oppression.

During his visit to Hezbollah's office in Tehran on Monday, Pezeshkian honored Nasrallah, the Hezbollah leader who was killed in Israeli airstrikes on Beirut on September 27, which utilized munitions supplied by the U.S.

Pezeshkian criticized the United States and its allies for their disregard for human rights, stating that those who claim to defend human dignity ironically label those fighting oppression as "terrorists."

He praised Nasrallah for dedicating his life to the liberation of the Palestinian people and assured that Iran would continue to support both the Palestinian and Lebanese causes. ▶ Page 3

Anti-Zionist protests take over Iranian cities

TEHRAN - Iranians gathered in the main squares of their cities across Iran, to slam Israel's ongoing aggression in the region and express support for Resistance groups.

People from all walks of life took to the streets across Iran, including in Tehran, Mashhad, Sanandaj, Esfahan, Shiraz, and Rasht.

They waved Palestinian flags, as well as posters showing support for Lebanon's Hezbollah, Yemen's Ansarullah, and Iraq's popular forces.

Many demonstrators chanted "death to Israel" as they called for Iran to retaliate against the regime's latest series of terror acts in the region. "Israel is being supported by America which only understands the language of force."

You cannot tame these monsters unless you show them decisive action," a participant told IRIB reporters.

Israel's war in Gaza has so far resulted in the deaths of 41,000 Palestinians, the majority being women and children.

The regime has also assassinated a number of important Resistance figures in recent months, including Hezbollah leader Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah who was martyred on Friday.

Iranian animators win at Italy's Religion Today Film Festival

TEHRAN-Iranian animators received two awards at the 27th edition of the Religion Today Film Festival in Trento, Italy.

At the closing ceremony, which was held last week, Baran Sedighian won the Best Animation Award for her short animation "The Deer" and Mona Shams was awarded the Special Jury Mention for the short animation "Phoenix," ISNA reported.

In a statement about selecting "The Deer" as the winner, the jury said: "We are delighted to present the award for Best Animation Short Film for a beautifully crafted tale that resonates with the themes of transformation and self-discovery. The film tells the story of a wounded deer who embarks on a journey of healing and introspection and chooses to leave his herd and set out in search of his new self. This captivating animation explores the courage it takes to embrace change and find one's true path."

A production of 2023, "The Deer" is a five-minute animation with no dialogues. The life of the deer in this animation changes radically after getting injured by hunters. His old world no longer seems to fit him, so he decides to leave. ▶ Page 8

Hezbollah deputy chief: 'We will carry the path to victory'

From page 1 ▶ He explained that "within the party's structure, there are deputies for the leaders and reserve replacements ready to assume positions if a leader is struck in any capacity," and that "the plans set by Sayyed Nasrallah to replace leaders and commanders who have been assassinated are being closely followed."

"Everyone is present and ready on the battlefield," he noted in reference to the 100,000 fighters at Hezbollah's disposal.

Sheikh Qassem added, "Some of us become martyrs, but others will carry the path to victory soon," stressing that "the brothers continue their work according to an organized structure and follow the alternative plans for individuals and leaders."

Despite the loss of several leaders, attacks on civilians and significant sacrifices, he affirmed, "We will not waver even slightly from our positions, and the resistance will continue to



support Gaza and Palestine, and defend Lebanon and its people."

Sheikh Qassem underlined, "Resistance operations will continue at the same pace and even more after the assassination of Sayyed Nasrallah," pointing out that "the battle is long, and our options are wide."

He emphasized that Hezbollah "will confront any scenario should the Israelis enter on the ground," adding, "we are ready for a ground confrontation with

the enemy if it decides to enter Lebanese territory."

He declared, "Israel was not able to strike our military capabilities, and this is a dream that they have not and will not achieve. Our capabilities are strong and great."

Sheikh Qassem continued, "We have prepared and are confident that the Israeli enemy will not achieve its goals, and we will emerge victorious," stating that the operations, which the Leb-

anese resistance is executing currently is at "the minimum required as part of the overall plan to continue the battle, according to assessments, outlined plans, and battlefield needs."

He stressed that "Israel will not be able to undermine Hezbollah's capabilities despite the assassination of its leaders. If Israel believes that the silence of the international community will allow it to achieve its goals, it is delusional."

On Friday, the Israeli military dropped bunker-buster bombs on a neighborhood in the southern suburbs of the capital Beirut. The attacks led to the martyrdom of Sayyed Nasrallah, several of his companions, and a senior Iranian military advisor. The attacks also left dozens of civilians dead.

Experts believe the United States played a major role in the bombardment.

Lebanon ground invasion: Israel must proactively stockpile coffins for its soldiers

From page 1 ▶ On Monday, war minister Yoav Gallant strongly hinted that the regime is ready to launch a ground offensive in Lebanon with the stated aim of removing Hezbollah from the border area and allowing evacuated Israelis to return to northern Israel.

On Sunday, the Israeli Broadcasting Authority also reported that the regime's army is making preparations for "a limited ground operation" in Lebanon.

Israel's intention to escalate its military operations in Lebanon became evident in mid-September after Netanyahu's office announced that returning Israeli settlers to the north constitutes an official war goal.

The announcement was followed by the explosion of pagers and other communication devices in Lebanon on September 17 and 18 which killed dozens of people and injured more than 3000.

A few days later, Israel launched a massive bombing campaign in Lebanon killing hundreds of people in the Mediterranean country.

On Friday, Israel intensified its savage attacks and assassinated Hezbollah Secretary General Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah in a suburb of southern Beirut. The strikes have been strongly condemned by many world leaders and triggered huge street protests.

As Israel is continuing its deadly and brutal airstrikes in Lebanon, the regime's media say the potential ground operation is aimed at



establishing a "security buffer zone in southern Lebanon."

The Israeli public broadcaster KAN has cited Foreign Minister Israel Katz as saying that Tel Aviv will only accept a ceasefire in Lebanon when Hezbollah is pushed away from the border to the north of the Litani River and disarmed.

"For as long as this does not happen, Israel will continue its actions to ensure the security of its citizens and the return of northern residents to their homes," he added.

In fact, Israel wants to invade Lebanon but is looking for excuses. The regime claims that its airstrikes that began on September 23 have hit Hezbollah targets. But facts on the ground show that hundreds of civilians, including women and children, have fallen victim to the attacks.

Israel's likely ground assault on Lebanon is reminiscent of the regime's nearly 20-year occupation of the country.

Israel invaded Lebanon in June 1982 and

occupied parts of the country until it was driven out by Hezbollah in 2000.

In 2006, Israel also launched a full-scale military offensive against Lebanon. Hezbollah, however, humiliated the regime and forced it military to retreat in disgrace.

Israel is currently displaying a lot of hubris following the assassination of the Hezbollah chief and some other commanders of the resistance group.

If Israeli ground forces were to enter Lebanon, the arrogance of the Netanyahu regime would transform into disgrace.

Israel has not succeeded in eliminating Hamas after more than 11 months of fighting in Gaza. Hundreds of Israeli forces have been killed on the Gaza battlefield. Last month, Gallant rejected Netanyahu's "total victory" dream over Hamas as gibberish.

But now both Netanyahu and Gallant are dreaming about securing a triumph over Hezbollah, which possesses greater strength than Hamas.

Hamas fighters in Gaza have transformed the battlefield into the burial ground for Israeli soldiers. The regime will face a similar outcome should it initiate a ground offensive in Lebanon. In such a scenario, Israel should proactively accumulate coffins and arrange funeral ceremonies for its troops and dig their graves.

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From page 1 ▶ Continuously reiterating his threat, mainly that his warplanes are capable of punishing any party hostile to the so-called "Israel" or thinking of harming it, and amidst the shameful indifference of Arab and Islamic regimes, Netanyahu - who was humiliated by the October 7 attack in an unprecedented manner - thought that his crime would rid off of the school of the leader of the 2000 and 2006 victories, and thus guarantee the electoral competition in his colonial "weaker than a spider web" entity, as whoever murder the most wins the largest votes of the blood-thirsty Zionist colonial occupiers.

Nevertheless, in light of the continued Israeli raids on more than one Lebanese region, the ambiguity surrounding the Hezbollah leadership issue along with the seditious propaganda campaign claiming "Iran's betrayal of Hezbollah," the resistance continues its qualitative operations on the borders reaching the occupied Haifa, forcing about a million settlers to hide like rats in shelters.

Whatever, the followers of Sayyed Nasrallah's school will not deviate from his principles, the first of which is adhering to the Leader of the Islamic Revolution. Secondly, nothing will pressure them not to support Gaza until the war of extermination ends.

Thanks to the steadfastness of the Lebanese and Palestinian resistance, Netanyahu's imaginary victories depending on the air force and intelligence will gradually recede. The resistance will complete Sayyed Nasrallah's approach of awareness, nobility, bravery and sacrifice.

there is neither submission nor surrender. What Sayyed Nasrallah and his comrades have established and planned over 40 years will result in a decisive historic victory, a resistance founded by Imam Khomeini, patronaged by Sayyed Ali Khamenei, Sayyed Ebrahim Raisi, and by the martyrs of the Revolutionary Guard, mainly by Martyr Hajj Qassem Soleimani. Since 1982, the resistance, with humble capabilities, have risen up to defend a legitimate right, knowing that its cost is very high.

Therefore, this nightmare will inevitably weigh heavily on the minds of the Zionist enemies and their lackeys who have rejoiced over what is being committed and who are striving diligently to convince people that Hezbollah has fallen and that its cause is lost. Those include morally corrupt politicians, media personalities and academics who are partners in the genocide.

As we have learned from him (Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah), even if we lose the most precious thing we have, we will not give up the jihad.

If the story of Karbala is alive after 14 centuries, then those who carried out and rejoiced in the killing of Sayyed Nasrallah must not forget that Sayyed Nasrallah has become an eternally immortal symbol for every revolutionary against injustice, and that he was martyred defending Palestine, Yemen, the marginalized peoples of the Persian Gulf, and other just causes. Sayyed Nasrallah lived until the last moment of his life, fighting America and Israel.

Per the honourable history of Jabal Amel,

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Campaign launched to raise awareness on unexploded ordnance in Lebanon

British NGO Mines Advisory Group (MAG), which operates in Lebanon, has launched a campaign to advise people of the dangers of unexploded ordnance.

"We know from our experience globally that a significant proportion of the ordnance that has hit Lebanon will have failed to explode and will be lodged in the rubble, buried underground or simply lying on the surface," said MAG CEO Darren Cormack, Al Jazeera reported.

"This poses a severe risk to the civilian population, may cost lives and will hamper reconstruction efforts and any return to normality when the conflict abates. Parts of Lebanon have now endured almost a year of aerial bombardments but the latest escalation obviously poses additional and acute risks to communities," he added.

Gaza's healthcare situation 'getting worse and worse'

Gaza's "healthcare sector is still gradually deteriorating" nearly a year on since the war started, according to Dr Mohammed Abu Mughaisib, the deputy medical coordinator for Doctors Without Borders in Gaza.

"Some hospitals are partially damaged. Number of patients is huge. There's a big issue with medical supplies. All international medical NGOs are suffering from delays in supplies entering Gaza. The situation is getting worse and worse," he said.

"We have three hospitals partially functioning in the south of the Gaza Strip which are overwhelmed with trauma patients as well as normal patients," he said.

"There is one hospital in the middle area which is run by the government and serves more than one million people who are shel-

tering there [in central Gaza]. In the pediatric ward, for example, there are 40 beds for 200 children who are lying on the floor."

With the world's attention now shifting to the Israeli attacks on Lebanon, he said he expects the situation to get even more difficult in Gaza.

3 PFLP members killed in Israeli strikes on Beirut

Israel has bombed the Kola area of Beirut in its first attack on the Lebanese capital beyond the southern suburbs, killing three members of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), Al Jazeera reported on Monday.

The PFLP, a Marxist and Arab nationalist group founded in 1967, confirmed three of its leaders were killed in Beirut.

They are Muhammad Abdel Aal, a member of the PFLP's political bureau and the head of its military security department; Imad Odeh, a member of the PFLP's military department and a military commander in Lebanon; and Abdul Rahman Abdel Aal, a "comrade martyr hero".

Israeli raids force 100,000 to flee Lebanon for Syria

At least 100,000 people have crossed from Lebanon into Syria fleeing Israel's bombardment, the UN refugee agency's chief said.

"The number of people who have crossed into Syria from Lebanon fleeing Israeli airstrikes - Lebanese and Syrian nationals - has reached 100,000. The outflow continues," UNHCR's chief Filippo Grandi said in a post on X on Monday.

The UN agency is operating at four crossing points along with local authorities and the Syrian Red Crescent, Grandi noted.

There are at least 1.5 million Syrian refugees who live in Lebanon, government figures cited by UNHCR show.

A better future for humanity cannot be achieved without upholding globalization and multipolarity

From page 1 ▶ It should be acknowledged that since the end of the Cold War, globalization, which advocates freedom and people's livelihoods, and multilateralism, which promotes equality and respect, have been conducive to the realization of global justice from the goal to the path. To build a peaceful, prosperous, equal and innovative future for humankind, people-centred globalization and multi-polarization that respects sovereignty and security are indispensable.

Adherence to globalization is a powerful rebuff of supremacism and narrow developmentalism

Globalization has been in full swing since the 1990s, and with its great quality of openness, it has contributed to the great prosperity of the world economy in the past few decades. All countries have benefited from the process of globalization. The term "globalization" used to imply a warm and romantic spirit of openness and tolerance. Regrettably, anti-globalization, reverse globalization and de-globalization have slowly entered the mainstream discourse of world politics and have even begun to shape the political agenda of some countries.

In particular, some developed countries are no longer willing to share the fruits of development and have deliberately reduced the magnitude of the flows of capital, trade, information and people, disregarding the widening development gap between countries. State-centrism and nationalism, which divides the world, cannot solve global problems or save mankind and future generations. Continuing to adhere to globalization

and promoting economic globalization that is beneficial to all and inclusive is the only way to effectively respond to the "supremacism" and "narrow developmentalism" that are blinded by isolationism.

Upholding multipolarity can protect the legitimate rights and interests of developing countries on a fair and just footing

Multipolarity means that the sovereignty and dignity of all countries do not have to be subordinated to the hegemonic countries, and that developing countries and small and medium-sized countries have more rights in world politics, and that their national interests and rights and interests will not be trampled upon and sacrificed by the hegemonic countries at will. In today's political environment, adherence to multilateralism and multipolarity in the world is first and foremost a matter of respect for the United Nations framework, and United Nations resolutions should be complied with. It is only by adhering to the multipolarity of the world and to the settlement of controversial matters through consultation and negotiation on the platform of multilateralism that the use of violence by hegemony and power to undermine peace and stability can be avoided and limited.

The hegemony-obsessed superpower should be blamed for the current conflict tragedies

The tragedy of recurring wars in many regions of the world is the result of the United States' ever-expanding ambition to project its influence and the implementation of a blindly parochial and failed foreign policy.

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