

*Lebanon lodges new complaint
with UN Security Council over
Israeli violations of its
sovereignty*



**Civil defense and rescue workers at building that was attacked by an Israeli airstrike, in Nabatiyeh, south Lebanon, earlier this year.
Mohammed Zaatari/AP**

Beirut, August 20 (RHC)-- Lebanon has filed a new complaint with the UN Security Council (UNSC) against the Israeli regime's repeated violations of the Arab country's sovereignty.

The complaint, lodged through Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations in New York, pointed to Israeli pilots' breaking the sound barrier in the skies over Lebanese regions, including the capital Beirut.

It came at the instructions of Lebanese caretaker Foreign Minister Abdallah Bou Habib.

“Israeli violations constitute a flagrant violation of Lebanon’s sovereignty and airspace and Security Council Resolution 1701 (2006). “The acts are also in breach of a number of principles of the international humanitarian law, which prohibit all forms of collective punishment and intimidation,” the complaint read.

It further noted that Israel is terrorizing all civilians and spreading panic among them, which particularly affects the most vulnerable segments of society, such as children.

Hezbollah conducts fresh retaliatory airstrikes against Israeli forces in the northern part of the occupied Palestinian territories, killing and injuring a number of the troops.

A state of anticipation and caution prevails in Lebanon following the assassination of senior Hezbollah military commander Fuad Shukr in an Israeli airstrike on a building in the southern Beirut suburb of Dahieh on July 30th. Hezbollah Secretary General Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah has vowed retaliation for the act of terror.

Hezbollah and Israel have been exchanging deadly fire since early October last year, shortly after the regime launched the genocidal war against the Gaza Strip in response to a surprise operation by the Palestinian Hamas resistance group.

The Lebanese resistance movement has vowed to keep up its retaliatory attacks as long as the Israeli regime continues its war on Gaza, which has so far killed more than 40,000 Palestinians, mostly women and children, in the besieged territory.

Hezbollah officials have repeatedly said they do not want a war with Israel while stressing that they are prepared in case it occurs.

Two Israeli wars waged against Lebanon in 2000 and 2006 were met with strong resistance from Hezbollah, resulting in the retreat of the regime in both conflicts.

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