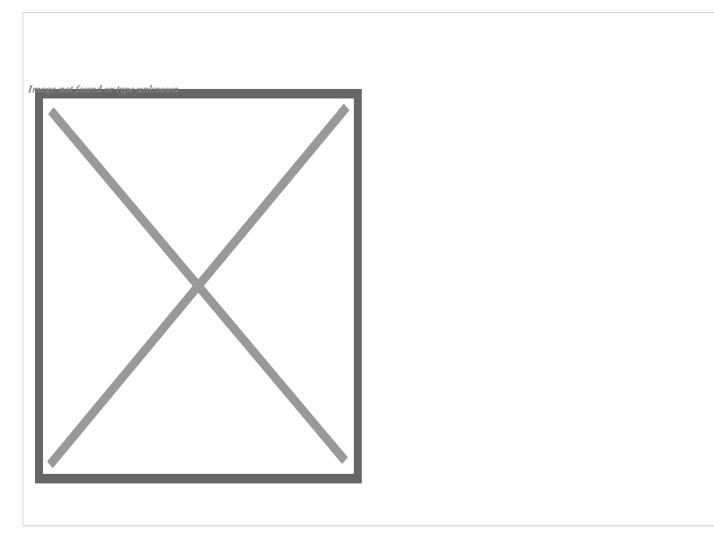
Lebanon's foreign minister says Israel murdered Hezbollah leader shortly after ceasefire agreement was reached



Beirut, October 3 (RHC)-- Lebanon's top diplomat has revealed that Israel targeted the leader of Hezbollah, Hassan Nasrallah, after he had agreed to a 21-day ceasefire.

Foreign Minister Abdallah Bou Habib made the comment during an interview with Christiane Amanpour on PBS.

Christiane Amanpour: "Are you saying Hassan Nasrallah had agreed to a ceasefire just moments before he was assassinated?"

Abdallah Bou Habib: "He agreed. He agreed, yes, yes. We agreed completely. Lebanon agreed to a ceasefire, but consulting with the Hezbollah. The speaker, Mr. Berri, consulted with Hezbollah. And we informed the Americans and the French that that's what happened."

Christiane Amanpour: "So" —

Abdallah Bou Habib: "And they told us that Mr. Netanyahu also agreed on the statement that was issued by both presidents."

Hezbollah has not confirmed a ceasefire deal was reached, but Lebanon's Ambassador to the U.K. Rami Mortada told the BBC: "We were on track trying to discuss a diplomatic alternative to the current abyss, but the hotheads in Israel chose a different path."

Meanwhile, the emir of Qatar has accused Israel of committing a "collective genocide" as he condemned Israel's ongoing attacks on Gaza and Lebanon.

Israel launched the ground invasion of Lebanon just days after assassinating Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah.

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