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In Memory of Arie Zvi Frankenthal **(הי"ד)** **על שם אריה צבי פרנקנטל**

## **A COUNTRY THAT DOES NOT DEFEND ITS RESIDENTS IS NOT WORTHY OF THEM**

IDF soldiers were kidnapped by a sovereign state: Lebanon. It is the Israeli government's **duty** to do **everything it can** to return the soldiers safely to their homes.

The Lebanese government is the only sovereign in the state of Lebanon. The entire responsibility for the situation lies with the Lebanese government.

*In our eyes, what happened in the Khana village was a tragedy.  
In the Hezbollah's eyes, what happened in Khana was a miracle.*

**We fully support the IDF soldiers in Lebanon.  
We hope and pray that they defeat the evil in Lebanon and return safely.**

## **A COUNTRY THAT PROLONGS OCCUPATION PERPETUATES ANIMOSITY**

- What is happening with the Palestinians is an ethical scandal and an ongoing tragedy.
- We have brought all the hatred and animosity upon ourselves with our own hands by continuing the occupation.
- It is important to know and understand that the occupation is the worst form of terror.

## **WE MUST NOT GET CONFUSED:**

**What is happening in Lebanon is not similar to what is happening with  
the Palestinians.**

- The Hezbollah is nothing but a terrorist organization that has committed atrocities against Israel, Lebanon and the Palestinians.
- It is mistaken to think that all Arabs want to destroy Israel.
- The Palestinians strive for an independent state - and rightfully so.
- The Lebanese government, by contrast, has failed. It should now solve the problem.

**YES** - *to the struggle in Lebanon for our safety.*

**NO** - *to occupation and the struggle against Palestinians.*

**In Lebanon, much to our regret, there can be only force at this stage.  
In Palestine, there can be only negotiation, reconciliation and peace.**

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