

## Ana Kasparian Says Only Israel Calls Hezbollah a Terror Group. The World Disagrees.

### THE LIE

Hezbollah is a resistance movement; only Israel considers it a terror organization.

### THE TRUTH

The United States, the European Union, the Arab League, and more than a dozen other nations and bodies across the globe designate Hezbollah a terrorist organization — for attacks that have killed Americans, Argentines, Bulgarians, and Lebanese civilians, including Lebanon's own prime minister.

### BACKGROUND

- On June 27, 2026, *The Young Turks* co-host Ana Kasparian tweeted that Hezbollah is only considered a terror organization by Israel, which she claimed is attempting to annex Lebanon. ([Ana Kasparian](#))
- The tweet followed her calling Lebanese President Joseph Aoun "a disgrace" for signing an agreement with Israel on June 26 — one that calls for phased Israeli withdrawals from Lebanon if Hezbollah is disarmed. ([Times of Israel](#))

### TRUTH EXPLAINED

- **Kasparian's claim is contradicted by the world.** She says only Israel calls Hezbollah a terror group — but the U.S., Canada, the EU, the Arab League, the Gulf Cooperation Council, and over a dozen other nations across multiple continents have designated it as one too. ([AJC](#)), ([Wikipedia](#))
- **Hezbollah's body count proves the designation.** Since Hezbollah was established in 1982, it has murdered 241 U.S. servicemembers in Beirut, hijacked an airliner and murdered an American passenger, bombed a Jewish community center in Argentina, bombed a tour bus in Bulgaria, and carried out other acts of terrorism around the world. ([Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#))
- **Hezbollah doesn't just target Israel — it terrorizes the very country Kasparian claims to be defending.** The group assassinated Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri, the man who rebuilt the country after its civil war, and has spent the years since hunting down any Lebanese official who dared challenge it. The "resistance" Kasparian champions has spent decades turning its weapons on the Lebanese people themselves. ([UN News](#))
- **Lebanon itself wants Hezbollah gone.** Its leaders have said outright they don't want Iran's proxy running their country, especially as Hezbollah threatens to overthrow Lebanon's own government. Kasparian is defending a group its own host nation is trying to expel. ([JNS](#)), ([Fox News](#)), ([Reuters](#))
- **Her "annexation" claim is fabricated.** The agreement she's attacking requires Israeli withdrawal after Hezbollah disarms — the opposite of annexation. There is no path to annexation anywhere in the text. ([Times of Israel](#))
- **If annexation were the goal, Israel had the chance — repeatedly.** Hezbollah started every one of these wars, and Israel walked away from Lebanese territory every time. The track record disproves the accusation. ([FDD](#))

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### QUOTES

"Hezbollah are liars; they are despicable. They said they would never turn their arms on the Lebanese, but they have." -- Nawal al-Meouchi, Lebanese Citizen

"Hezbollah's consistent pattern of intentionally placing its fighters and weapons among civilians shows that Hezbollah was well aware of the civilian casualties that would ensue [from this activity.]" -- Intelligence and Terrorism Center at the Israeli Center for Special Studies

### TAKEAWAY

Ana Kasparian refuses to label Hezbollah a terrorist organization, defying the U.S., EU, Arab League, and many other nations that have done so for years. In her worldview, attacking and killing Israelis grants instant hero status, while Lebanese civilians caught in the crossfire barely register.

That's why she turns on Joseph Aoun, the Lebanese president working to pry his country out of Hezbollah's stranglehold and break the endless cycle of wars the group ignites. Her visceral hatred for Israel is so total that she cannot stomach any Arab leader pursuing peace or sovereignty over endless proxy conflict.