Subject: Re: Israel, Lebanon, and of course... Hezbollah Posted by Nukelt15 on Sat, 05 Aug 2006 20:25:26 GMT

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Not really... considering that Hezbollah fired the first shot, they're in no position to start playing the victim and asking for peace. "Oh, we won't attack you if yous top attacking us!" Bullshit. Those words come from the mouth of a man who attacks civilians intentionally as a matter of policy. Hezbollah is at fault, not Israel. The casualty count in Lebanon is as high as it is only because Hezbollah continues to use Lebanese civilians as meat-shields to protect their own sorry asses from the overwhelmingly superior and highly professional IDF. The moment they stop doing that, there will be no further civilian deaths in Lebanon- but it isn't likely to happen, because only the presence of civilians around their bunkers and launch sites prevents their untimely demise. A cease-fire will only be possible once Hezbollah ceases its attacks on Israel's civilians- deliberate attacks on civilians, not accidental deaths caused by the destruction of legitimate military targets.

When the time comes for terms to be set, it will be Israel setting the terms, not Hezbollah, and not the international community. We aren't talking about a country that gives half a rat's ass about what Germany or France or Russia or China thinks of its actions- because Israel doesn't. They never have; they go in and do what they need to in order to secure their borders and defend their civilian population- and anyone who gets in the way of that objective is in for a world of hurt. Just about the only country that Israel would listen to is the US- and only then because we're their primary source of equipment and ammunition (aside from beautiful home-grown units like the Kfir and Lavi fighters, and the kick-ass Merkava tank). And you know something else? I'm damn proud that the US government isn't getting in the way of our Ally's campaign. Good allies don't interfere, they assist. Our ally is under attack from a bunch of overglorified thugs, they showed some initiative, and they're kicking ass. Good for them.