



Day 16

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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

Israel is preparing for potential hostilities with Hezbollah over a gas rig. Israel Defence Minister ordered the alert telling troops to prepare for a scenario of escalation in the north, both offensively and defensively, given the developments in the negotiations on the maritime border. Israeli forces in the north are on high alert. The alert marks a stark turn in the odyssey of the Karish gas rig ordeal, which appeared on its way to US-led resolution, with both Israel and Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah expressing support. But Israel reportedly voiced reservations about the deal. Then the Lebanese government suggested changes, which caused Jerusalem to outright reject the amended version. Pray for a diplomatic solution to defuse the conflict. Pray that the possible hostilities of Hezbollah will be averted (The Bible, Esther 9:24).

Source:

<https://breakingdefense.com/2022/10/how-israel-is-preparing-for-potential-hostilities-with-hezbollah-over-a-gas-rig/>

MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

Israel is a republic with a president as head of state. However, the president's powers are largely ceremonial; the prime minister holds the executive power. The incumbent president is Isaac Herzog, who took office on 7 July 2021, and Yair Lapid of Yesh Atid is the prime minister from 1 July 2022. A densely-populated country on the eastern shore of the Mediterranean Sea, Israel is the only state in the world with a majority Jewish population. It has been locked in conflict with the Palestinians and its Arab neighbors over ownership of land considered holy by many Jews, Christians, and Muslims since its creation in 1948. The militant Islamic group Hamas reinforced its power in Gaza in June 2007. Hamas, frustrated with the restrictions placed on them by Israel, fired rockets close to Jerusalem. Israel retaliated. Violent clashes over Jerusalem escalated dramatically with Gaza, and many were killed by Israeli airstrikes launched after Palestinian militant groups fired rockets close to Jerusalem.



CHIEF OF STATE

President Isaac Herzog

HEAD OF GOV.

PM Naftali Bennett

POPULATION

8,049,000

CHRISTIANS

1.5%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

0.2%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Judaism

PERSECUTION RANKING

Not Ranked

REFUGEES

45,284

LIFE EXPECTANCY

81.38 yrs

LITERACY RATE

97.1%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

21%