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House Committee Highlights Concerns over Recent Hezbollah Attacks on Israel

On Feb. 2, members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee wrote a letter to United Nations (U.N.) Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon expressing dismay over Hezbollah's violence in Israel. The bipartisan letter, spearheaded by Reps. Grace Meng (D-NY) and Mark Meadows (R-NC), calls upon U.N. action regarding the Iranian backed terror organization's recent attacks that resulted in the death of at least two members of the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF). According to the letter, Hezbollah continues to consistently disregard key United Nations (U.N.) Security Resolutions to illegally progress its military agenda. Hezbollah's activity directly violated Resolutions 1559 and 1701, which called for the disarmament of all Lebanese and non-Lebanese militia and prohibited the sales of arms to Lebanon from outside bodies. "This slide to violence must be stopped, and the international community must fully enforce these critically important U.N. Security Resolutions," the letter declared. "It is incumbent upon the U.N. and the Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF) to ensure that Hezbollah, a terrorist organization dedicated to the destruction of Israel and its allies, does not continue to rearm and initiate violence against Israel."