Is the Lebanon ceasefire only fiction?

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 26.04.2026

Prof. Kobi Michael discusses the precarious stalemate in Lebanon, where Israel's military actions are constrained by American diplomatic interests while Hezbollah continues to exploit the situation within a failed Lebanese state.

He also explores the asymmetric strategic partnership between the U.S. and Israel, emphasizing their shared objective of facilitating the required conditions for a regime change led by the Iranian people. Such an effort obliges a combination of diplomatic maneuvers with military and economic pressures and providing the required support for the Iranian people in order to enable it to topple down the regime.

The full interview took place on Kan English News on April 26, 2026.

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Iran's Economic Breaking Point

written by Ruth Wasserman Lande | 26.04.2026

Ruth Wasserman Lande discusses the severe and potentially irreversible "economic choking" of the Iranian regime, which she believes will eventually become unsustainable even for its ideologically zealous leadership.

She argues that while the regime counts on the perceived fragility of Western democracies, the intense economic impact will soon reach a critical breaking point.

The full interview took place on Channel I24 on April 23, 2026.

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Strategic Misjudgments and the Looming Iranian Collapse

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 26.04.2026

Prof. Kobi Michael argues that the Iranian regime faces internal fragmentation and severe economic strain from sanctions, which may lead to its eventual collapse if current pressures continue.

He also assesses that a resumption of military conflict is highly likely because Iran misjudges its strategic leverage and diplomatic gaps remain unbridgeable.

The full interview aired on NDTV on April 22, 2026.

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The Looming Resumption of the Iranian Military Campaign

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 26.04.2026

Prof. Kobi Michael analyzes the high probability of a resumed military campaign due to unbridgeable diplomatic gaps between the U.S. and Iran.

He also explains that Iran's internal power struggles and its misperception of its own leverage lead to a dangerous misunderstanding of its actual, weakened position.

The full interview took place on NewsX World on April 22, 2026.

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Beyond the Ceasefire: The Hezbollah Challenge

written by Dr. Adi Schwartz | 26.04.2026

Dr. Adi Schwarz discusses the complexities of the Israel-Lebanon conflict, noting that while short-term ceasefires may occur, long-term stability is hindered by the Iranian-backed militia, Hezbollah.

He argues that the Lebanese government remains unable to control Hezbollah, which embeds its military infrastructure within civilian areas, and maintains that regional peace requires directly tackling the group.

The full interview took place on News Nation on April 20, 2026.

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Hezbollah 'human shield' strategy behind Lebanon ambush, bomb detonation – Macron drawn in

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 26.04.2026

Prof. Kobi Michael: Hezbollah worked for decades to build an entire facility, part of it underground, below private residential buildings and houses, preparing themselves for a surprise attack on Israel.

They operate in the Shiite villages and among the Shiite population who are supported by Hezbollah. most people in these southern villages are connected to

Hezbollah in one way or another and are “heavily dependent on the terror organization.

When it comes to Hezbollah breaches against Israel, the French demand Israel restrain and contain, but when it comes to one of their soldiers, they are furious at Hezbollah. Hezbollah has breached the ceasefire agreement since its first moment.
Iran’s continued influence as Hezbollah operates in southern Lebanon as an unrestrained political force.

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Strategic Leverage and Lebanon’s Yellow Line

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 26.04.2026
Prof. Kobi Michael discusses the US blockade on Iran as a strategic leverage tool

within a negotiation phase aimed at preventing Iranian escalation while avoiding full kinetic conflict.

He also justifies the Israeli “yellow line” strategy in southern Lebanon as a necessary measure to establish a security buffer zone and protect Israeli communities from Hezbollah threats, citing the historical failure of international oversight.

The full interview took place on NewsX World on April 18, 2026.

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Can Tehran still massively finance its terror proxies?

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 26.04.2026

Prof. Kobi Michael outlined the potential trajectories of Iranian proxy funding based on the political and military conclusion of the current war. The regime’s ability to transfer currency will be heavily shaped by the conditions that end the conflict, he said.

Speaking before the Apr 7 evening truce, Michael also assumed that if there were an agreement that included lifting sanctions, and assistance for Iran’s economic rehabilitation, the regime would find a way to continue transferring money to its proxies, even if in lesser amounts.

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Weakening Hezbollah and the Iranian Regime

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 26.04.2026

Prof. Kobi Michael characterizes Lebanon as a failed state and advocates for a strategy that combines military force to weaken Hezbollah with diplomatic initiatives to empower the Lebanese army and state.

He emphasizes that Hezbollah's actions are driven by Iran, making it essential to prevent the Iranian regime from obtaining nuclear weapons or controlling the strategic Strait of Hormuz.

Finally, Michael supports holding territory in South Lebanon as leverage and believes that sustained economic blockades are necessary to transform military victories into long-term strategic success against Iran.

The full interview took place on ILTV on April 15, 2026.

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Iran War Pushes Israel-Turkey Rift Into a More Dangerous Phase

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 26.04.2026
Prof. Kobi Michael: Direct Israeli-Turkish military confrontation remains unlikely because both countries are close US partners and Washington retains strong leverage over each. That we have already reached the edge, and it cannot be worse than that, because Turkey and Israel are very close allies of the United States.

Erdoğan sees opportunity in Iranian weakness, regional disorder, and Israel's diplomatic troubles. Erdoğan has hegemonic aspirations in the broader Middle East. He perceives Turkey and perceives himself as the leader of the Sunni world and of a future Ottoman empire. Erdoğan sees now an opportunity, a window of opportunity when Iran is weaker. In his view, that opportunity is reinforced by Israel's weaker international standing and by ideological changes inside Turkey that make a near-term reset unlikely.

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