# Saudi Nuclear Agreement Leaves Israel Exposed

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 23.07.2026

Prof. Kobi Michael: Israel should answer the reported deal with a diplomatic initiative rather than rely only on private objections in Washington.

Such steps, he said, could give Saudi leaders political cover to return to normalization talks and restore a broader bargain in which nuclear cooperation was linked to regional diplomacy. “Israel cannot remain in its position, do nothing and expect that everything will remain in place. There is no such thing as an ongoing status quo.

Israel could accept Saudi-operated reactors using fuel supplied from abroad. “They can help the Saudis to build the civilian reactors. But not to enable enrichment on Saudi soil.

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# Turkey’s rising regional ambitions put Israel on alert

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Prof. Kobi Michael: Israel has found itself in a reality in which it cannot translate its military achievements into a strategic outcome, meaning the shaping of a new regional architecture. The limbo was created by the Americans entering negotiations with the Iranians while completely misunderstanding who the Iranians are. It was clear that there was no realistic possibility of bridging the gaps between the two sides and that the Iranians were merely using the time to rebuild their capabilities, because they have not abandoned the axis as a strategic concept or their goal of eliminating Israel.

Hezbollah is the crown jewel of that axis. That is why the Iranians demanded that the ceasefire with the US be linked to a ceasefire in Lebanon, in order to preserve Hezbollah as their most important strategic asset. This also sends a message to all the other proxies that have been severely weakened in Syria, Iraq, Gaza and Yemen: Iran will come to their aid, just as it is doing for Hezbollah. It is therefore already possible to identify clearly their desire to rebuild the ring of fire around us. As long as this regime exists, there is no chance that Iran will change its ways.

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# Israel on ‘high alert’ ahead of possible Iran campaign

written by Dr. Yossi Mansharof | 23.07.2026
Dr. Yossi Mansharof: The level of the threat from Iran is extremely high.

The regime’s capabilities should not be underestimated, as the Houthis’ capabilities initially were. “Their technological capabilities improve as the years pass. They are not standing still, and that has to be taken into account.

If this device, the ‘fiber drone,’ is in Hezbollah’s possession, it is probably held by the entire axis, particularly along the Jordanian border. The defense establishment therefore needs to maintain heightened vigilance.

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# The Revolutionary Logic of the Iranian Regime

written by Dr. Raphael BenLevi | 23.07.2026

Dr. Raphael Ben Levi analyzes the strategic conflict between Israel, the United States, and Iran, arguing that the Iranian regime utilizes diplomacy only as a tactical tool to advance its revolutionary goals and regional dominance.

He also discusses the shift toward military force and “maximum pressure” to degrade Iran’s nuclear aspirations and missile threats, particularly as diplomatic efforts have failed to achieve a genuine state of coexistence.

The full interview was conducted by IANS on July 16, 2026.

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# A New Stage in the US-Iran Conflict

written by Dr. Adi Schwartz | 23.07.2026

Dr. Adi Schwarz discusses the escalating conflict between the US and Iran, characterizing the Iranian regime as a fundamentalist revolutionary force that destabilises the Middle East through its proxies and pursuit of nuclear weapons.

He highlights a “new stage” in the conflict where US military strikes are now targeting Iranian civilian and dual-use infrastructure, such as bridges and ports, rather than just military sites.

Ultimately, Schwarz argues that a genuine peace deal is unlikely because the regime only seeks to gain time, and he maintains that the only definitive solution for regional stability is the downfall of the Iranian regime.

The full interview aired on Fox News on July 18, 2026.

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# Negotiating by Fire

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 23.07.2026
Prof. Kobi Michael describes the current tensions between Iran and the United States as “negotiating by fire,” warning that continued Iranian attacks on regional American facilities could lead to a broader military campaign.

He also analyzes the Lebanese president’s meeting with President Trump as a crucial opportunity to dismantle Hezbollah and establish effective sovereignty for Lebanon while disconnecting the country from Iranian control.

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

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# Hamas is trying to replicate Hezbollah’s model

written by Meir Ben Shabbat | 23.07.2026
Meir Ben Shabbat: I think Tehran, more than anyone else, is helping President Trump understand who he is dealing with. The month that has passed since the ‘memorandum of understandings’ was signed has helped dispel the optimism its architects tried to create. The Iranians have made clear that they will not back down from their position regarding the Strait of Hormuz. ‘The Strait of Hormuz belongs to Iran for historical and geographical reasons. This waterway will never return to what it was before the war,’ Ali Akbar Velayati, senior adviser to the Supreme Leader, declared. Similar messages have been delivered by numerous Iranian officials.

The insistence on dictating the conditions for reopening the Strait of Hormuz, the maneuvering in negotiations, and the growing calls to eliminate Trump leave the American president with no alternative but military and economic pressure.

Trump still prefers a bad agreement to a successful war, but he cannot surrender on the one issue that represented his only achievement in the 'memorandum of understandings.' He knows that capitulating to Iranian demands would not only embarrass him but would fail to resolve the crisis and would merely increase the appetite of the extremist regime. If this is how matters stand regarding the temporary memorandum, one can only imagine what negotiations over the far more complex nuclear issues will look like.

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# The Mossad-CIA Iran Plot and the

# Trump Factor

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 23.07.2026
Prof. Kobi Michael discusses a reported Mossad and CIA plan for regime change in Iran involving Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, emphasizing that the success of such operations or future U.S. strikes depends heavily on President Trump’s decisions.

He also analyzes the potential for Iranian retaliation against Israel, asserting that Israel would respond aggressively to any direct attack and remains in close coordination with the U.S. regarding regional threats like Hezbollah.

The full interview took place on ILTV on July 14, 2026.

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# Israel’s Strategic Stance: Coordinated Patience and Independent Retaliation

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 23.07.2026
Prof. Kobi Michael explains that while Israel currently prefers to let the United States lead the efforts against Iran, the two nations remain highly coordinated on military and intelligence levels.

He stresses that if Iran attacks, Israel will not wait for American permission to retaliate aggressively and may use the opportunity to complete strategic objectives intended in previous months.

The full interview took place on Channel I24 on July 12, 2026.

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# Iranian Hubris and the Risk of Regime Collapse

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 23.07.2026

Prof. Kobi Michael discusses the escalating tensions and “statement war” between Iran and the United States regarding the control and potential closure of the Strait of Hormuz.

He analyzes how Iranian hubris and perceived American weakness could lead to severe U.S. military retaliation against infrastructure, potentially resulting in the collapse of the current Iranian regime.

The full interview took place on NewsX World on July 12, 2026.

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