

A System in Breakdown: Iran's Internal Crisis and Maritime Tensions

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Ruth Wasserman Lande highlights the severe internal instability and systemic breakdown within Iran's leadership while discussing the maritime tension with the United States regarding a new parallel shipping route to the Strait of Hormuz.

She expresses deep skepticism regarding the effectiveness of the security agreement between Israel and Lebanon, arguing it is unlikely to succeed because the Lebanese army is comprised of 60% Shiites who remain loyal to Hezbollah.

Ultimately, she identifies Turkey's regional ambitions as her greatest fear, specifically pointing to President Erdogan's goal of establishing a global Sharia-based caliphate while providing funding and training to groups like Hamas and Islamic Jihad.

The full interview took place on Channel I24, on July 2, 2026.

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