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Assassinated under U.S. command: Nasrallah murdered in apocalyptic bomb attack

By Gary Wilson

The U.S. was behind the September 27 assassination of Hezbollah Secretary-General Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah in an apocalyptic bombing attack using 85 U.S.-built and supplied BLU-109 bunker-buster bombs in a residential area of Beirut.

Nasrallah had led the Lebanon-based liberation organization for 32 years. His assassination was part of a broader massacre, as the same Israeli airstrikes resulted in the deaths and injuries of hundreds of Lebanese civilians.

The same attack that resulted in Nasrallah's death also took the life of Brigadier General Abbas Nilforooshan, the deputy chief of operations for the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Council.

Nasrallah's daughter, Zainab Nasrallah, was also killed.

Israeli airstrikes in the following days killed Hamas' leader in Lebanon, Fateh Sherif Abu el-Amin, along with his family. Another Israeli airstrike in Beirut killed the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) military security chief, Mohammad Abd al-Aal, military commander Imad Odeh, and Abdelrahman Abd al-Aal.

On Oct. 1, the Associated Press reported that the Israeli Occupation Force "has moved into southern Lebanon ... opening a new front" in its war on the people of



Iranian women hold pictures of Lebanon's Hassan Nasrallah and Palestinian flags at a protest in Tehran on Sept. 27.

Palestine and of Lebanon.

Nasrallah's assassination was ordered from New York City by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, where he appeared before a nearly empty U.N. General Assembly meeting. Netanyahu's office released a photo of him inside an office at the U.N. headquarters in New York while using a landline telephone to approve the strike on Beirut.

Responsibility lies ultimately with the U.S., which finances and arms the Zionist regime. President Joe Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris – both Democrats – and Republican House Speaker Mike Johnson have expressed support for the bombing, praising the assassination. The U.S. recently authorized an additional \$8.7 billion in arms to Israel, facilitating its ongoing actions in Gaza, the West Bank, Yemen, and now Lebanon.

U.S. Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III spoke twice with Israeli Defense Minister Yoav Gallant in the hours before the

bombing attack, presumably giving the order to proceed (the tail does not wag the dog; Austin is the commanding officer, the head of the Pentagon, and he gives the orders, not the other way around as the official news reports claim). The news report added that General Austin "expressed full support for Israel's" operation in Lebanon and "made it clear that the United States remains committed to the defense of Israel."

Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah was a brilliant leader who twice defeated Israel. Nasrallah was killed because of his unwavering support for Palestine.

The great Palestinian scholar Edward Said recalled meeting the "remarkably impressive" Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah and noted he "adopted a strategy toward Israel quite similar to that of the Vietnamese against the Americans: We cannot fight them because they have an army, a navy, and a nuclear option, so the only way we can do it is to make them feel it in body bags."

Hezbollah is a political party in Lebanon born out of the resistance against Israel's illegal invasion and military occupation of southern Lebanon in the 1980s and 1990s.

Nasrallah and Hezbollah spearheaded the resistance against Israel on two occasions, resulting in significant victories: first,

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