Israel strikes eastern, southern Lebanon in violation of ceasefire agreement



Lebanese vehicles drive past damaged buildings in southern Lebanon on January 27, 2025, after

a ceasefire between Israel and the Lebanese resistance movement Hezbollah took effect earlier. (Photo by Reuters)

Beirut, February 7 (RHC)-- The Israeli military has carried out a series of airstrikes against several areas in southern and eastern Lebanon in a flagrant violation of the ceasefire agreement with the Arab country.

Israeli warplanes launched multiple raids on the heights of the Mountain Range and an area in the Baalbek district of eastern Lebanon, according to Lebanon's official National News Agency (NNA).

Israeli military aircraft launched a number of airstrikes on targets at the Iqlim al-Tuffah region in southern Lebanon at around 10:35 p.m. local time (2035 GMT) on Thursday.

According to local sources, Israeli airstrikes targeted the towns of Azzeh and Roumine and an area near Wadi al-Zahrani. Moreover, Israeli fighter jets bombed Bekaa Valley in eastern Lebanon near the border with Syria.

Lebanon's President Aoun has urged France to pressure Israel to halt violations of a ceasefire deal with Hezbollah and completely withdraw its forces from the southern areas of the country.

Prior to the airstrikes, Israeli aircraft conducted intensive low-altitude flights over the town of Rashaya and western Bekaa. Additionally, they flew over the city of Hermel and northern Bekaa in eastern Lebanon. Israeli jet fighters were also seen over the capital Beirut and its suburbs.

Israel was forced to accept the ceasefire with Hezbollah resistance movement after suffering heavy losses following almost 14 months of fighting and failing to achieve its goals in its aggression on Lebanon. The shaky truce deal came into effect on November 27th.

Since the start of the agreement, occupation forces have been conducting near-daily attacks on Lebanon in violation of the ceasefire, including airstrikes across the Arab country.

On January 10th, Lebanon complained to the UN Security Council over Israeli acts of aggression on agricultural lands and livestock in the southern part of the country in defiance of the truce agreement.

Hezbollah has put on the Lebanese government the onus to ensure the full withdrawal of Israeli military forces from southern Lebanon.

Lebanon said on January 27th that it had agreed to extend a ceasefire deal with Israel until February 18th, even though the Israeli military failed to meet a deadline to withdraw its troops and killed nearly two dozen people in the south of the country.

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