



AI Hurriya Liberal Network (AHLN)

Official Statement on Regional Escalation

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The AI Hurriya Liberal Network (AHLN) expresses deep concern over the accelerating military escalation across the Middle East, including military exchanges initiated by U.S. and Israeli strikes against Iran, followed by Iran's retaliatory attacks impacting several Gulf Cooperation Council countries and affecting the security and stability of states including Jordan and Cyprus. Together, these developments have triggered a widening regional conflict. Continued confrontation threatens civilian lives, economic stability, and the sovereignty of states across the region,

In Lebanon, the authority to decide war and peace must rest exclusively with the Lebanese state. Hezbollah has once again assumed the decision of war outside the framework of the Lebanese state, dragging the country into a full-scale confrontation and exposing its people to devastating consequences.

AHLN condemns all unilateral military actions that fuel escalation. The actions by all sides entrench cycles of violence, expose civilians to grave danger, and undermine regional stability rather than enhance security.

Violence and proxy warfare are not pathways to democratic change. Military escalation and regime change by force have consistently produced institutional collapse and prolonged instability, not freedom or accountability. Durable political transformation can only emerge from the sovereign will of societies themselves, through internal civic and political processes rather than through regional warfare.

The Middle East stands at a dangerous crossroads. Preventing wider conflict requires immediate de-escalation, respect for national sovereignty, and the rejection of externalized violence.

AHLN remains committed to peaceful, accountable political development and the strengthening of sovereign institutions across the Middle East and North Africa.

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