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Hezbollah foiled US-planned coup/Latest developments in Mount Lebanon

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Hezbollah has foiled a US-planned coup to seize control of Lebanon during tensions sparked by controversial gov't decisions, a report says.

"The Americans launched a pre-emptive strike against opposition nationalist forces, starting with the (Hezbollah) resistance, and attempted a Washington-planned coup but were taken aback by the opposition, which restored order in Lebanon," Syrian daily Al-Baath reported on Sunday.

The Lebanese opposition aimed to "remove foreign interference and stop the plots to transform Lebanon... into an Israeli protectorate and new focal point of US links in the region," the paper added.

Tensions mounted among the feuding Lebanese parties and their supporters after the pro-US ruling coalition decided to ban Hezbollah telecommunications network and sack Beirut Airport Security Chief on Tuesday.

At least 39 people were killed in the clashes which eased after the Lebanese army rescinded the government's controversial measures on Saturday.

"The recent events in Lebanon showed that the coup (attempt) carried out by the Americans and their men in Lebanon backfired," the daily concluded.

Lebanon saw four days of fierce clashes between supporters of feuding political camps as Western and some of the regional media outlets including al-Arabia tried to portray them as sectarian violence.

They tried to describe the clashes as a fight between Sunni and Shia communities.

The reports came as a number of Sunni clerics in interviews with NBN and al-Manar TV stations denied the claims, saying many Sunni Muslims in Lebanon support Hezbollah especially for its heroic efforts to defend Lebanon against Israel.

Political analysts said that Tel Aviv and its staunch ally Washington have long been trying to destabilize Lebanon in a bid to avenge Israel's humiliating defeat against Lebanon's resistance movement (Hezbollah) in 2006.

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Latest developments in Mount Lebanon

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Fighting has broken out between pro-and anti-government supporters in Lebanon's central mountains overlooking Beirut, security officials say.

Echoes of explosions can be heard as far as Beirut.

The clashes between US-backed pro-government gunmen of Druze leader Walid Jumblatt and opposition supporters started in the village of Aytat around 2 p.m. (1100 gmt) Sunday.

They involve exchanges of rocket and machine gun fire. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

Jumblatt militiamen were seen carrying their guns and heading to the area, DPA quoted

witnesses as saying.

Jumblatt and his rival Druze leaders in Mount Lebanon, Waam Wahab and Talal Arslan, have called on the army to intervene in order to end the clashes.

Arslan has also announced that the current fighting in Mount Lebanon is not related to Hezbollah forces.

Jumblatt is said to have called on his militias to lay down their arms.

Meanwhile, a Press TV correspondent in the area said it appears that Jumblatt has lost control over its forces. He added that the Lebanese army is trying to control the region.

Forces loyal to Jumblatt have reportedly attacked army forces who try to restore peace and calm in the area.

Tensions eased in Beirut on Saturday after the army revoked two government controversial measures which had sparked four days of unrest in the capital.

The new clashes between the two sides, however, erupted after Lebanese Forces leader Samir Geagea, a close ally of Jumblatt, predicted that tensions will continue in the country.

"The situation in Lebanon will deteriorate and this condition will continue until Hezbollah is defeated and the war that the group is spearheading ends," Geagea said in an interview with al Arabia on Saturday.

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Waam Wahab and Talal Arslan that's the way to go

by cosmo on 12.05.2008 [03:54]

Openly Druze stop traitor Druze like Jumblatt and the Maronites must Openly stop the other traitor Gaegae. The same applies for the Sunnis etc.

No crossing of the sectarian lines, each group settles its score within the group Openly, thus killing another Wet Dream of the Zionist Anglo Sax to destabilise Lebanon and the region.

Hezbollah

by poiuytr on 12.05.2008 [06:27]

and Russian intel.

This further underscores - as if it weren't clear from the all too effective defensive against the 2006 Israel/US evil invasion attempt into Lebanon - the tightening noose around the saxonian rubbish animal gills, the grim reality for the western disease that it's not only vastly outnumbered but also now pitifully nailed to their vitriolic Jesus Christian cross with technology far superior to anything the deranged US of A states can imagine, let alone produce in their prolapsed factories spewing laughable trash like F-22 or all plastic Boeings.

Last night

by jogger on 12.05.2008 [07:46]

i heard on Al Manar news that Walid Jumblatt's forces were surrendering to Talal Arslan's and Waam Waaab's forces and the army who came to take over their weapons.