Subject: Re: Israel, Lebanon, and of course... Hezbollah Posted by Nukelt15 on Sun, 06 Aug 2006 01:09:35 GMT

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Israel is a democracy- when the government does something that the people don't want done, the government gets changed. Unlike *certain* regions where thugs and terrorists run the show and assassinate anyone who disagrees with their agenda. The Israeli government can't just get away with anything; the people of Israel would not let them do that (which was precisely why Sharon changed his position back before he had his stroke- popular support was turning against the hardliners and towards more moderate policies).

The general feeling I got when I was in Israel towards the end of June (when this whole thing was just kicking off) was support for any action the government chose to take in recovering the abducted soldiers. Our family has a number of well-connected friends over in Israel, and from what I understand the public is still overwhelmingly in support of the campaign, despite the rocket attacks (and indeed because of the rocket attacks).