

Kataib Hezbollah Leader Meets With Coordination Framework, Refuses Government Authority to Censure

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KH's secretary-general signaled that his terrorist organization would not face negative consequences for killing an Iraqi policeman. Thus far, he's right.

In a rare event, [Ahmad Mohsen Faraj al-Hamidawi \(aka Abu Hussein\) \(https://www.washingtoninstitute.org/policy-analysis/exposing-kataib-hezbollahs-royal-family-insights-recent-leaks\)](#), leader of the Iran-backed Iraqi terrorist militia [Kataib Hezbollah \(https://www.washingtoninstitute.org/policy-analysis/profile-kataib-hezbollah\)](#) (KH), attended an emergency meeting of the Coordination Framework (CF). The exact date of the Shia leadership gathering is unconfirmed, but the KH television channel [al-Etejah \(https://www.washingtoninstitute.org/policy-analysis/profile-al-etejah-satellite-television\)](#) broadcast the news on August 6 and posted bullet points on Telegram from a statement issued by KH's media office (Figure 1). According to the Telegram account of the meeting, Abu Hussein:

- "called for restricting Prime Minister al-Sudani's decisionmaking"

- urged CF leaders "to take decisions that would safeguard Iraq and its sanctities until Sudani's term ends on November 11"
- "recommended forming a committee from the Coordination Framework to investigate the incidents at the Agriculture Directorate."

The "incidents" in question were the July 27 clashes

قناة الاتجاه

الدائرة الاعلامية لكتائب حزب الله:

الأمين العام لكتائب حزب الله الحاج أبو حسين الحميداوي طالب خلال حضوره اجتماعاً طارئاً لقادة الإطار التنسيقي بالحجر على قرارات السوداني

الحاج الحميداوي دعا قادة الإطار التنسيقي إلى التصدي لاتخاذ القرارات الكفيلة بحفظ العراق ومقدساته لحين انتهاء ولاية السوداني في 11 تشرين الثاني

الحاج الحميداوي أوصى بتشكيل لجنة من الإطار للتحقيق في أحداث دائرة الزراعة والوقوف على حيثياتها والاستفادة من كاميرات المراقبة وشهادات الضباط المكلفين بحماية الدائرة

الحاج الحميداوي: لن نقبل بالتسوية ومن الواجب أن يأخذ القانون مجراه لتقديم المسيئين - أيًا كانوا - إلى العدالة لينالوا جزاءهم

الحاج الحميداوي شدد على ضرورة معرفة الأسباب والدوافع التي أدت إلى اعتقال المراجعين في معسكر الصقر وتعرضهم للتعذيب الشديد

الحاج الحميداوي وجه شكره إلى قادة الإطار على مواقفهم الثابتة في حفظ وحدة الصف تجاه ما تمر به المنطقة من أحداث استثنائية تستدعي المسؤولية والثبات

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Figure 1: Kataib Hezbollah Telegram post, August 6, 2025

(<https://www.washingtoninstitute.org/policy-analysis/kataib-hezbollah-kills-iraqi-policeman-and-civilian-baghdad>) between KH fighters and Iraqi security forces in the southwestern Baghdad neighborhood of al-Saydiya,

which left several security personnel injured and resulted in the deaths of one police officer and one civilian. On August 9, the committee in charge of investigating the clashes **announced** (<https://x.com/IraqiPMO/status/1954196830893346941>) that “the armed elements who committed this violation belong to the Kataib Hezbollah formation and are affiliated with the **45th and 46th Brigades of the Popular Mobilization Forces (/node/18715)**.” The committee also recommended measures to be taken in response to this finding, each "approved" by Sudani:

- The commanders of the PMF's 45th and 46th Brigades were to be relieved of their duties.
- A full investigation was to be launched into the leader of the PMF's **Jazira Operations Command** (<https://www.washingtoninstitute.org/policy-analysis/drones-kataib-hezbollahs-jazira-command>) due to his "negligence in all leadership duties."

As detailed below, however, none of these actions has taken place.

KH Reaction

KH immediately issued a lengthy statement rebutting the accusations: “Kataib Hezbollah...agreed with the leaders of the Coordination Framework to form a neutral committee to decide on the matter...However, what was announced by the spokesman for the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces regarding the results of the government investigation was not free of distortion and exaggeration in the use of authority. Additional points were inserted that were not included in the recommendations of the committee assigned to investigate—among them, opening an investigation into the Commander of the Jazira Operations, relieving the commanders of the 45th and 46th Brigades of their positions, and noting deficiencies in the leadership and control structure of the Popular Mobilization Forces—aimed at targeting Kataib Hezbollah and the leaders of the PMF...While we call on the judiciary to intervene and reveal the true content of the official investigation report before it was tampered with, we hope it will be compared to what was recently announced by the spokesman for the Commander-in-Chief” (Figure 2).

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

(وَالَّذِينَ يُؤَدُّونَ الْأُمُومِيَّاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ بِغَيْرِ مَا اكْتَسَبُوا فَقَدِ احْتَمَلُوا بُهْتَانًا وَإِثْمًا مُبِينًا)

إن كتائب حزب الله كانت ولا تزال تطالب بتحقيق عادل في حادثة دائرة الزراعة ببغداد، ومن أجل ذلك اتفقت مع قادة الإطار على تشكيل لجنة محايدة للبت في الموضوع، تجنباً لأي استغلال سلبي للمسؤوليات أو فرض إرادات تعارض الحقيقة.

ومع ذلك، فإن ما أعلنه الناطق الرسمي باسم القائد العام للقوات المسلحة من نتائج التحقيق الحكومي لم يخل من التزييف والمبالغة في استغلال الصلاحيات، حيث أضيفت فقرات لم ترد في توصيات اللجنة المكلفة بالتحقيق، ومنها ما يتعلق بفتح تحقيق مع قائد عمليات الجزيرة، وإعفاء أمزي اللواتين (45 و46) من مناصبهم، والتأشير على وجود خلل في ملف القيادة والسيطرة بالحشد الشعبي... بغرض استهداف كتائب حزب الله وقادة الحشد الذين ما زالوا يحملون أوسمة الجراح جراء معارك تحرير مدن العراق من عصابات داعش الوهابية، وذلك لا يرضي إلا أمريكا وأذنانها في المنطقة، (لبئس ما كانوا يفعلون).

وفي الوقت الذي ندعو فيه القضاء إلى التدخل وكشف حقيقة الوثيقة الرسمية لنتائج التحقيق قبل التلاعب بها، نأمل أن تُقارن مع ما أعلن مؤخراً عبر ناطق القائد العام.

وهنا نؤكد مجدداً أننا لن نحيد عن المطالبة بانسحاب قوات الاحتلال وطيرانها، وخروج عناصرها من العمليات المشتركة بحلول أيلول 2025، مهما غلا الثمن وعظمت التضحيات.

KH seems to be getting its way. As of August 17, the commanders of the the 45th and 46th Brigades had not been removed, and no investigation committee appeared to be looking into the head of the Jazira Operations Command.

Similarly, no investigation has been launched into the August 5 drone attack against the 44th PMF Brigade near Taji, on the northern outskirts of Baghdad. The drone—a large fixed-wing variant of the kind previously used by KH—struck elements of Liwa Ansar al-Marjaiya, an Atabat (shrine) unit affiliated with Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani. The attack occurred amid surging tensions between the Iran-backed *muqawama* (resistance) militias and Sistani's followers after the July 27 clashes. The 44th Brigade is commanded by Hamidi al-Yasiri, an outspoken critic of Iran-backed factions like KH.



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