

## Claim



Claim: "This image shows Israeli Finance Minister Smotrich, who previously threatened to invade Lebanon, taking shelter in an Israeli bomb shelter during Hezbollah's attack on Israel on August 25, 2024."

## Actions

```
reverse_search(![image 51] (media/82.jpg))  
image_search("Israeli Finance Minister Smotrich bomb shelter Hezbollah
```

## Evidence

### Evidence from **image\_search**

The web sources include articles about Bezalel Smotrich, the Israeli Finance Minister. One article from Le Monde features a photograph of Smotrich. (



) The New York Times published an article on June 29, 2024, about Smotrich. (



Bloomberg also contains an image of Bezael Smotrich. (



The articles can be found at the following URLs: [https://www.lemonde.fr/en/international/article/2023/11/06/bezalel-smotrich-israel-s-agent-of-chaos\\_6231784\\_4.html](https://www.lemonde.fr/en/international/article/2023/11/06/bezalel-smotrich-israel-s-agent-of-chaos_6231784_4.html), <https://www.nytimes.com/2024/06/29/world/middleeast/israel-funds-palestinian-authority-smotrich.html>, and <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-12-09/israel-s-smotrich-says-trump-offers-chance-to-overthrow-iran>.

## Elaboration

The evidence confirms that Bezalel Smotrich is the Israeli Finance Minister. However, the provided evidence does not confirm that the image shows Smotrich in a bomb shelter during a Hezbollah attack on August 25, 2024. The search results provide images of Smotrich but do not provide any context about the image in the claim.

To verify the claim, I need to find information about the image's context, including the date and location, and confirm that it depicts Smotrich in a bomb shelter during a Hezbollah attack.

## Actions

```
image_search("Bezalel Smotrich bomb shelter Hezbollah attack August 25")
```

## Evidence

### Evidence from `image_search`

From [Source](#): Content: The New York Times published an article about the conflict between



Israel and Lebanon, including an image of a building.



## Elaboration

The evidence does not support the claim. While the search results confirm that Bezalel Smotrich is the Israeli Finance Minister, they do not provide any information about the image's context, including the date and location. The search results do not confirm that the image depicts Smotrich in a bomb shelter during a Hezbollah attack on August 25, 2024.

## Actions

```
image_search("Israeli Finance Minister Smotrich image location")
```

## Evidence

No new evidence found.

## Elaboration

Insufficient information to verify the claim. The evidence confirms that Bezalel Smotrich is the Israeli Finance Minister. However, there is no evidence to support the claim that the image shows Smotrich in a bomb shelter during a Hezbollah attack on August 25, 2024. Additional information is needed to verify the image's context, including the date and location.

## Final Judgement

The search results confirm that Bezalel Smotrich is the Israeli Finance Minister. However, the evidence does not support the claim that the image shows Smotrich in a bomb shelter during a Hezbollah attack on August 25, 2024. There is no information about the image's context, including the date and location.

false

**Verdict: FALSE**

### **Justification**

The claim is unsubstantiated. While the search confirms that Bezalel Smotrich is the Israeli Finance Minister, there is no evidence to support the claim that the image depicts him in a bomb shelter during a Hezbollah attack on August 25, 2024. The search results do not provide any context about the image's date or location.