

Claim

Claim: "



This image shows U.S. warships being en route to the Lebanon coast in August 2024 to support the Israel Defence Forces (IDF)."

Actions

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reverse_search(![image 55] (media/86.jpg))  
web_search("U.S. warships Lebanon coast August 2024")
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Evidence

Evidence from **reverse_search**

The image (



) shows U.S. Navy ships at sea. The image was taken on June 8, 2024, and is associated with the USS Mount Whitney's arrival in Kiel, Germany, after completing BALTOPS 24, a maritime exercise in the Baltic region. The image is also found on a U.S. Department of Defense website in an article about NATO.

The image is available on the DVIDS website (<https://www.dvidshub.net/news/474750/uss-mount-whitney-lcc-20-arrives-kiel-germany-marking-its-final-stop-after-completing-baltops-24>) and on a U.S. Department of Defense website (<https://www.jbsa.mil/News/News/Article/3828763/us-officials-agree-natos-worth-is-unquestionable/>).

Evidence from web_search

The USNI News article (<https://news.usni.org/2024/08/02/carrier-uss-abraham-lincoln-heads-to-middle-east-as-iran-threatens-strikes-against-israel>) from August 2, 2024, reports that the USS Abraham Lincoln is heading to the Middle East due to threats from Iran against Israel.



The NPR article (<https://www.npr.org/2024/08/03/nx-s1-5062390/us-military-deployment-middle-east-israel-iran>) from August 3, 2024, states that the U.S. is deploying ships and



fighter jets to the Middle East to defend Israel.

The Guardian article (<https://www.theguardian.com/world/article/2024/aug/03/us-bolsters-military-presence-in-middle-east-as-threat-of-regional-escalation-intensifies>) from August 3, 2024, reports that the U.S. military will deploy additional Navy cruisers, destroyers, and fighter jets to the Middle East to improve U.S. force protection, increase support for the defense of Israel, and ensure the United States is prepared to respond to



various contingencies.

Elaboration

The claim is not supported by the evidence. The image (



Final Judgement

The image provided was taken on June 8, 2024, and is associated with the USS Mount Whitney's arrival in Kiel, Germany, after completing BALTOPS 24, a maritime exercise in the Baltic region. The claim states the image shows U.S. warships en route to the Lebanon coast in August 2024.

The claim is false.

Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The image provided in the claim is of U.S. Navy ships and was taken on June 8, 2024, in the Baltic Sea, not in August 2024 en route to Lebanon. While there were reports of U.S. military deployments to the Middle East in August 2024, the image does not depict this. Therefore,

the claim is false.