

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

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reverse_search(![image 51] (media/82.jpg))
```

Evidence

No new evidence found.

Elaboration

I am unable to verify the claim because I have no new evidence.

Actions

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web_search("Israeli Finance Minister Smotrich Hezbollah attack August 2  
web_search("Smotrich bomb shelter August 25 2024")  
image_search("Israeli Finance Minister Smotrich")
```

Evidence

Evidence from web_search

The Guardian's live article from August 5, 2024, discusses the Middle East crisis, including a Hezbollah drone attack on northern Israel and an Israeli strike in Lebanon. The article also mentions Israeli Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich's statement regarding the situation in Gaza. (<https://www.theguardian.com/world/live/2024/aug/05/joe-biden-iran-israel-gaza-jordan-latest-middle-east-crisis-live>)

Reuters reported on August 25, 2024, about the exchange of fire between Hezbollah and Israel, with Hezbollah launching rockets and drones, and Israel responding with strikes in Lebanon. (<https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/israel-strikes-hezbollah-targets-lebanon-military-says-2024-08-25/>) CNN reported on August 26, 2024, about "preemptive" strikes by Israel against Hezbollah in Lebanon on August 25, 2024, and Hezbollah's retaliatory attacks. (<https://www.cnn.com/2024/08/24/middleeast/israeli-strike-hezbollah-lebanon-intl-hnk>)



[image:k](#)

Evidence from web_search



The image

Evidence from `image_search`

The search results include a Wikipedia page and articles from Le Monde (https://www.lemonde.fr/en/international/article/2023/11/06/bezalel-smotrich-israel-s-agent-of-chaos_6231784_4.html) and CNN (<https://www.cnn.com/2024/06/21/middleeast/israel-west-bank-bezalel-smotrich-settlements-intl-latam>). The Le Monde and CNN articles feature images of Bezalel Smotrich.



Elaboration

The evidence confirms that there was an exchange of fire between Hezbollah and Israel on August 25, 2024. The image search results show images of Bezael Smotrich. However, the



evidence does not confirm that the image

Actions

`web_search("Bezalel Smotrich in bomb shelter August 25 2024")`

Evidence

Evidence from `web_search`

The Human Rights Watch report from November 14, 2024, mentions Israeli Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich and the exchange of fire between Hezbollah and Israel on August 25, 2024. (<https://www.hrw.org/report/2024/11/14/hopeless-starving-and-besieged/israels-forced-displacement-palestinians-gaza>) The 972mag.com article discusses Hezbollah attacks on northern Israel and mentions Bezalel Smotrich. (<https://www.972mag.com/hezbollah-rockets-palestinians-iron-dome-shelters/>) [image:k](#)

Elaboration

The evidence confirms that there was an exchange of fire between Hezbollah and Israel on August 25, 2024, and that Bezalel Smotrich is the Israeli Finance Minister. However, the



evidence does not confirm that the image

Final Judgement

The evidence confirms that there was an exchange of fire between Hezbollah and Israel on August 25, 2024, and that Bezalel Smotrich is the Israeli Finance Minister. However, the evidence does not confirm that the image shows Smotrich in a bomb shelter during the attack.

false

Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The claim is unproven. While the evidence confirms that there was an exchange of fire between Hezbollah and Israel on August 25, 2024, and that Bezalel Smotrich is the Israeli Finance Minister, there is no evidence to confirm that the image shows Smotrich in a bomb

shelter during the attack.