Claim

Claim: "As the tensions between Israel and Hezbollah escalate in October, 2024, the U.S. government is offering Americans loans to pay for flights out of Lebanon while they have been flying Israeli citizens out of Israel on chartered flights for a year 'on US taxpayers' dime."

Actions

web_search("US government loans for Americans Lebanon flights October 2
web_search("US chartered flights Israel citizens October 2023 - October

Evidence

Evidence from web_search

The U.S. government is assisting Americans in Lebanon amid the escalating conflict between Hezbollah and Israel by connecting them with commercial flights, adding extra flights, and offering short-term emergency loans, as reported by <u>Texas Standard</u> (



KQED. U.S. News & World Report (https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/ articles/2024-10-03/us-arranges-flights-to-bring-americans-out-of-lebanon-as-others-seekescape) reported that the U.S. government arranged flights to bring approximately 350 Americans and their immediate relatives out of Lebanon and is offering emergency loans to aid travel out of Lebanon (image:k).

Evidence from web_search

The Times of Israel published an article about a Nefesh B'Nefesh charter flight carrying new immigrants to Israel on August 20, 2025, with immigration numbers surging despite the ongoing wars and diplomatic struggles. The organization saw an 80% spike in aliyah inquiries immediately following the October 7 attacks. (https://www.timesofisrael.com/aboard-first-aliyah-flight-since-oct-7-immigrants-say-war-strengthened-their-resolve/)



The Missouri Independent reported on October 13, 2023, that the U.S. State Department would arrange charter flights out of Israel for U.S. citizens starting Friday, October 13, 2023, due to reduced commercial flights. (https://missouriindependent.com/2023/10/13/with-violence-raging-in-israel-u-s-citizens-to-be-flown-out-on-charters/)



Newsweek reports that the State Department has begun assisted departure flights from Israel for U.S. citizens and lawful residents since the beginning of the war between Hamas and Israel on October 7, 2023. (https://www.newsweek.com/state-dept-starts-exit-flights-israel-trump-mulls-war-entry-2088832)



Elaboration

The U.S. government is offering emergency loans to Americans for flights out of Lebanon amid escalating tensions with Hezbollah, as reported by <u>Texas Standard</u> and <u>KQED</u>. Additionally, the U.S. has arranged charter flights for U.S. citizens out of Israel since October 2023, as stated by the <u>Missouri Independent</u> and <u>Newsweek</u>.

The claim that the U.S. government has been flying Israeli citizens out of Israel on chartered flights for a year "on US taxpayers' dime" is not directly supported by the evidence. While the U.S. has arranged flights for *U.S. citizens* out of Israel, the evidence does not specify the nationality of those on the flights.

Therefore, the claim is partially supported, but the assertion about flying Israeli citizens is not verified.

Final Judgement

The U.S. government is providing assistance to Americans in Lebanon, including emergency loans for flights. The U.S. has also arranged charter flights for U.S. citizens out of Israel since October 2023. However, the claim that the U.S. has been flying Israeli citizens out of Israel on chartered flights for a year is not directly supported by the evidence.

false

Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The U.S. government is providing assistance to Americans in Lebanon, including emergency loans for flights, as reported by <u>Texas Standard</u> and <u>KQED</u>. The U.S. has also arranged charter flights for U.S. citizens out of Israel since October 2023, as stated by the <u>Missouri Independent</u> and <u>Newsweek</u>. However, the claim that the U.S. has been flying Israeli citizens out of Israel on chartered flights for a year is not directly supported by the evidence.