
JAPAN EXPRESSES CONCERN' OVER ISRAELI GROUND OPERATIONS IN SOUTHERN LEBANON

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Japan on Wednesday expressed "deep concern" over Israeli ground operations in southern Lebanon, calling for respect to Lebanon's sovereignty and territorial integrity.

"Japan is deeply concerned that attacks between Israel and Hezbollah have resulted in casualties among civilians and medical personnel, as well as the destruction of civilian infrastructure," a statement from Japan's Foreign Ministry said.

"We also express deep concern that, despite calls from the international community for restraint, ground operations by Israel in southern Lebanon continue, and we once again strongly call for Lebanon's sovereignty and territorial integrity to be respected," the statement added.

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