



Iran & Its Proxy Network's Aggressive Actions Against The U.S.

Overview

Since 1979, Iran and its proxies have conducted hundreds of attacks against U.S. citizens and military installations across the Middle East, resulting in nearly 1,000 deaths and leaving hundreds more injured.

Key Events

- [November 1979 - January 1981](#): 52 Americans were held hostage at the U.S. embassy in Tehran for 444 days.
- [April 1983](#): A Hezbollah suicide bomber attacked the U.S. embassy, resulting in the death 17 Americans and an additional 46 people.
- [October 1983](#): Iranian proxies in Lebanon bombed a Marine barracks, resulting in the deaths of 241 U.S. military personnel.
- [March 1983](#): An Iranian proxy kidnapped and eventually killed William Buckley, the CIA station chief in Beirut.
- [December 1983](#): A Hezbollah suicide bomber attacked the U.S. embassy in Kuwait. No Americans were injured.

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- [September 1984](#): A Hezbollah suicide bomber attacked the U.S. embassy annex killing two Americans and 21 other individuals.
- [December 1984](#): A Hezbollah terrorist hijacked Kuwait Airways Flight 221 and killed two American officials from the U.S. Agency for International Development.
- [June 1985](#): A Hezbollah terrorist hijacked TWCA Flight 847 and killed a U.S. Navy diver.
- [July 1989](#): A Hezbollah terrorist killed a U.S. Marine Colonel after kidnapping him the previous year while he was on a U.N. peacekeeping mission in Lebanon.
- [April 1995](#): The Palestinian Islamic Jihad, an Iranian proxy, bombed a bus in the Gaza strip, killing one American and seven Israelis.
- [August 1995](#): A Hamas suicide bomber blew up a bus in Jerusalem, killing an American.
- [February 1996](#): A Hamas suicide bomber blew up a bus in Jerusalem, killing three Americans and wounding three others.
- [June 1996](#): The Iran-backed Hezbollah Al Hijaz set off 5,000 pounds of explosives at the Khobar towers, a U.S. Air Force housing complex in Saudi Arabia. 19 Americans were killed and additional 500 people were injured.
- [August 1998](#): Hezbollah worked with al Qaeda suicide bombers to attack the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania. The attacks killed 224 people, including 12 Americans. The suicide bombers received training at a Hezbollah camp in Lebanon.
- [July 2022](#): A Hamas terrorist planted a bomb at Jerusalem's Hebrew University, killing 5 American students.
- [October 2003](#): Terrorists from the Iran-backed Popular Resistance Committees kill three U.S. diplomatic personnel in a bombing in Gaza.
- [2003-2011](#): According to the Pentagon, Iranian-backed militias killed at least 603 U.S. troops in Iraq. Iranian training and material support to Iraqi militias greatly increased the difficulty for U.S. forces.

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- [January 2007](#): Twelve men affiliated with the Quds Force of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) disguised themselves as U.S. soldiers, entered the Provincial Joint Coordination Center in the Iraqi city of Karbala, where they killed five U.S. soldiers, and wounded another three. assassinate President Trump
- [January 2016](#): Two United States Navy riverine command boats were seized by Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) Navy after they entered Iranian territorial waters near Iran's Farsi Island in the Persian Gulf.
- [January 2020](#): Iran launched a ballistic missile attack at the Ain al-Asad airbase in Iraq, which gave 100 U.S. troops at the base a traumatic brain injury.
- [November 2022](#): A captain in the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) orchestrated the killing of an American citizen living in Baghdad.
- [October 23 – November 2024](#): Iran and its proxies conducted more than 180 attacks against U.S. forces in the Middle East resulting in more than 180 wounded and three killed U.S. service members.
- [November 2024](#): The Justice Department announced charges against an Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) asset in the U.S. for plotting to assassinate President Trump.