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Recently, India condemned the recent killing of three Indonesian peacekeepers who were deployed in south Lebanon as part of the UNIFIL (United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon).

About United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

- It is a **peacekeeping mission in south Lebanon**.
- It was established by the Security Council **in 1978**.
- **Background:** Originally, UNIFIL was created by the Security Council in March 1978 **to confirm Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon**.
- The mandate had to be adjusted twice, due to the developments in 1982 and 2000.
- **In 2006**, the UN Security Council strengthened UNIFIL's mandate to **monitor the cessation of hostilities, among other tasks**.
- **Objectives:** UNIFIL's objectives include:
 - Confirming Israeli withdrawal

- Restoring international peace and security
- Assisting the Lebanese Government in restoring its authority
- Monitoring the cessation of hostilitiesProtecting civilians and humanitarian workers
- UNIFIL has around 7,505 peacekeepers coming from **47 troop-contributing**.
- It has **the Maritime Task Force** which is a naval peacekeeping force.
- It was deployed in October **2006 at the request of the Lebanese Government** to help the Lebanese Navy secure the country's sea borders and other maritime entry points
- **India is also one of the troops** contributing countries.

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