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Former Lebanese singer urges support for new anti-Assad brigades



A retired Lebanese singer has announced the formation of “brigades of free resistance” to protect Syrians against “the malicious massacres” carried out by President Bashar al-Assad’s regime with the help of the Lebanese “sectarian criminal party, Hezbollah.”

In a video circulating on social networking websites and YouTube, Fadel Shaker called on “all of those who want to financially and morally support us to carry out our jihad in Syria to communicate with us.”

He retired last year, saying at the time that singing “makes God angry,” and that “I’m a Muslim man for whom Allah has shown the right path.”

Shaker was recently seen at the funeral of two Lebanese Salafis who were killed during an armed clash with Hezbollah supporters in Sidon.

A photo posted on Facebook shows him accompanying Lebanese Salafi leader Sheikh Ahmad al-Assir on a boat trip.