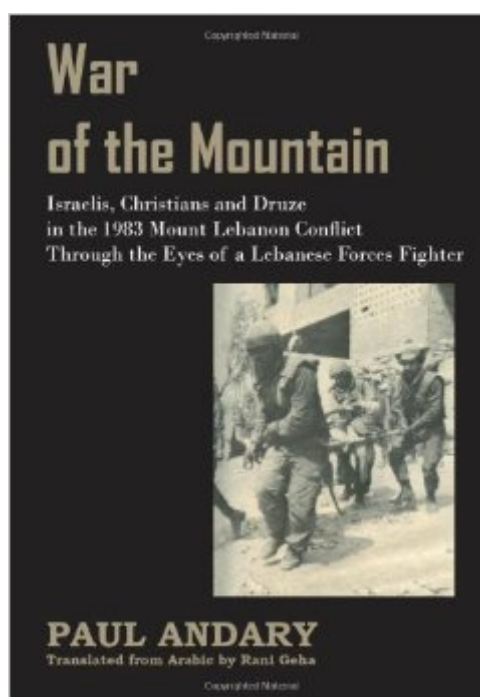


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# War Of The Mountain: Israelis, Christians And Druze In The 1983 Mount Lebanon Conflict Through The Eyes Of A Lebanese Forces Fighter



## Synopsis

The 'War of the Mountain,' which the Lebanese commonly call 'harb al-jabal,' refers to the 1983 conflict in Mount Lebanon's Chouf and Aley regions. The conflict was another Syrian attempt to control Lebanon and one of the worst chapters in the 1975-1990 Lebanon War; it was also about the old and complex relationship between the Christians and the Druze, the two communities that were at the center of modern Lebanon's formation. After Israel entered Lebanon in 1982 to expel the Palestine Liberation Organization, three military forces became present on the same ground in Chouf and Aley: the Israeli army, the (Druze) Progressive Socialist Party led by Walid Junblatt, and the (Christian) Lebanese Forces whose troops in Chouf and Aley were led by Samir Geagea. This book is an edited translation of 'Al-Jabal, Haqiqa la Tarham' written in Arabic by Paul Andary, a former Lebanese Forces military official who participated in that conflict and wrote the horrendous story of what happened from its historical, political, military, and human aspects. 'Al-Jabal, Haqiqa la Tarham' was published in 1985 and remains in demand to this day.

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indiscriminate artillery, sniping, and armor attacks as part of their ethnic cleansing campaigns which is synonymous with their form of warfare. This is a good read, translated from the original Arabic, which describes the political, social, and military events in detail which the author personally participated in. 5 stars.

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A well detailed book. I have read the arabic version originally in 1985. All true facts are described through historical details. The english version is just as captivating as the arabic one. Once you start reading you can't stop. Highly recommended.

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