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Labor and One Nation must be honest on how our war contributions are driving cost of living crisis

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The Albanese Government and One Nation Party must be upfront with regional Australia about the impacts of their increasing military contributions to the US/Israeli war on local cost of living.

The fallout in the country is likely bolstering ONP support so it is a shocking cynical play that Hanson herself is pushing for Australia to increase its military commitments to the war, which will prolong the cost-of-living crisis. You can't simultaneously support a war and complain about the direct consequences at the same time, unless you're suggesting it's a worthwhile cost to bear.

It is misleading for the Prime Minister not to explain the impact of increasing military contributions to the US and Israel war effort, as the Defence Minister confirmed yesterday (with details to be "worked through").

After the US and Israel's illegal attack on Iran, Iran has been mainly blocking fuel to countries that are contributing to US and Israel's war effort, a fact repeatedly hidden by the Albanese Government. Yesterday, the Prime Minister criticised Iran's actions as illegal, but continues to say it's up to the US and Israel to determine whether their own actions are illegal.

Yesterday, Defence Minister Richard Marles denied his government was hiding the extent of the fuel crisis from the Australian people.

Our communities deserve safety, accountability and truth - a foundation strong enough to hold us, not harm us.

But the major parties and One Nation Party are upholding a US war machine designed to protect US weapons companies before our people.

Families are demanding that Australia pull back its contributions to the US/Israeli war to protect them from a cost-of-living crisis here and protect the millions of people whose lives are under threat from US/Israeli bombs.

It will likely already take generations to recover from the disproportionate killing of children and strikes on homes and civilian infrastructure.

There are 15000 Australians in Lebanon while Israel continues a plan to bomb and take over the land.

Honesty is how we build systems our people can trust and move toward a future where our communities are safe, supported and able to live long, healthy lives.

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