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UNIFIL confirms IDF withdrawal from some areas in South Lebanon

On 12 September 2006, the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) are in the process of withdrawing from the general areas of Al Qusayr, Al Qantarah, At Tayyabah, Markaba and the areas west of Hula in the central sector of the South.

The UNIFIL Indian Battalion set up a number of checkpoints and is carrying out intensive patrolling in the area to confirm the IDF withdrawal.

On 13 September, the Indian Battalion will coordinate the deployment of Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF) in the area.

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