## Khashoggi was Journalist AND Brotherhood Supporter

by Tom Harb



The Daily Beast attacked Professor Walid Phares because he told FoxNews that "the late Jamal Khajokji" was supportive of the Muslim Brotherhood. The man can be two things at once: a journalist and Muslim Brotherhood supporter. Phares had simply read about the writer's positions on his Twitter account and watched an interview he gave to al Jazeera, all sources still available online. It didn't matter that Phares was stating facts. He is opposed to political violence at any time in any place and he wanted to see justice in the killing of Jamal Khashokji, particularly because years ago the Beirut-born advisor had been a target as well.

But in the case of the *Daily Beast* and its militant sisters, we're not dealing with humanitarian media, we're dealing with a media that also targets individuals with different opinions, and is not above launching acerbic smears at the service of

foreign powers, from Iran to Qatar.

This is nothing new to Phares. Along with a hit team of web sites and publications, the *Daily Beast* had smeared him in 2011, 2012 and in 2016, following his appointment as a Presidential candidate advisor by Romney and then Trump. The *Beast* has been supportive of the Iran Deal and a rabid attacker of the critics of the "150 billion dollars deal" between President Obama and the Ayatollahs.

The "Beast" tasked an ignorant half time blogger, #AndrewKirell, who used Hezbollah smear material published in 2011 to attack Phares and other Fox News personalities such as @LisaMarieBoothe #JudithMiller & Kirell wrote

Fox News contributor Walid Phares, a right-wing anti-Islamic pundit and