



The Guardians of the Cedars Party issued the following communiqué:

They dialogue and they deceive, so they disagree and insult each other. Then they go back to dialogue, deception, disagreement and insults, and on and on. It is with such frivolity and recklessness that the political game is played in Lebanon, or perhaps this messing around with people's nerves, their lives and the future of the country.

Worst of it all is that everyone still count on this failed and corrupt bunch and expect from them solutions to the existing crisis without thinking about the proverb: "He who tries the already tried must be twisted."

The Lebanese are so tired of hearing those banal slogans that foreign mediators and delegates repeat after their dulling tours to the political poles on the Lebanese scene, such as: There is no solution but in dialogue and mutual understanding among the Lebanese; or on the basis of no winner, no loser; or by implementing international resolutions; and so on till the cows come home. They rehash this drivel even though they know that they are empty words that have no bearing on the reality on the ground, and that the dialogue is futile after it failed in all venues. To get these petty political figures to a mutual understanding is like rounding corners, and the no winner-no loser idea does not produce results. It only produces temporary reprieves and improvised and half-baked settlements in the best of circumstances. As for international resolutions, they remain mere ink on paper in the absence of an effective party to execute them.

What happened last Tuesday in terms of the deliberate closure of Parliament in its ordinary session, or the scathing insult-hurling between the opposition and the loyalists is but a sample of this deadly vortex now in its second year and still kicking, and a clear indication that the crisis will not see the end of the tunnel with this bunch still in the driver's seat.

There really isn't any instance of political prostitution practiced with such talent and skill as the one that the politicians of Lebanon are capable of. We have said in the past that the Lebanese people despise their politicians, and today we confirm that they abhor them.

Once again, the people are called upon to rise against all of them and against all that is going on, because the people are the final arbiters in deciding their

fate, if they wish to come out and see the end of that tunnel. Otherwise, the worst is yet to come.

Lebanon, at your service

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