



The Guardians of the Cedars Party issued the following communiqué:

The nations of the world are getting lost in the maze of the Lebanese question. They have no way to decipher its codes and everyone is asking: What is going on in this small country? And why all these wars that never end? And these successive crises that beset it and never find a solution?

International mediators come here, they undertake their shuttle tours across all the Lebanese political centers, and they return stealthily not knowing what to say other than dispense advice to the Lebanese about how they must find common understanding among themselves and how they must give precedence to the interests of the country over their own personal interests.

The Lebanese for their part have tired of the envoys' visits and their exploratory tours; they have tired of hearing their obvious and repetitive advice and seeing their big smiles as though they have solved the mystery of the crisis and they now have the key to the solution.

The problem of the West is that it still fails to understand the eastern mentality which is based on sweet-talking behind which lurches evasiveness, flattery, deception and concealment, which most often leads to misunderstanding, approximation and inferences, and in turn to committing stupidities and mistakes that are often fatal.

In addition to the responsibility of the corrupt political class in the destruction of Lebanon by complementing and working in tandem with the Arab and regional regimes, the West bears a good deal of responsibility, first by standing against Lebanon during the war of the foreigners against it and indeed working in collusion with them. Second, because it considered the Syrian regime a "factor of stability" in Lebanon and allowed it to wreck havoc in it over 30 continuous years. Third, by endorsing the Taef Agreement on the false premise that the war against Lebanon was a conflict between the communities, while ignoring the Syrian-Palestinian factor that undermined the foundations of the Lebanese Republic. The Taef Agreement then came to further dismantle whatever was left of the Republic. Fourth, because the West continues to seek to solve the Lebanese crisis through those it knows were the cause for its inception and continuation, and they are the same whoring political class that has emptied Lebanon of its youth, starved its people, pilfered its treasury, and here it is today leading it to suicide with wide open eyes.

In turn, we advise the international envoys to save themselves the hardship of traveling to Lebanon in order to meet with its politicians and listen to their inanities. They should instead listen to the common people of Lebanon and deal with the active forces of the country, that is if they want to inform themselves about the truth of the Lebanese question and search for appropriate solutions to it.

Lebanon, at your service

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