## The Guardians of the Cedars National Lebanese Movement

The President





The Guardians of the Cedars Party issued the following weekly communiqué:

## The Inevitability of Placing Lebanon under UN Custody

It should be obvious beyond any doubt by now that a solution to the Lebanese crisis will not be forthcoming with the methods used so far regardless of the number of mediators and the diversity of initiatives.

The Arabs have failed not only because of their eternal disputes or the fake concern that some of them express for Lebanon all the while obstructing a solution as they pretend to seek one, but also because most Arab regimes have directly or by proxy contributed to the dismantling of Lebanon and have thus become impotent today at putting back together.

The West has failed first because of its ignorance of the Arab mindset which is based on concealment and duplicity in speech and action, and second, because it deals with the hostility of the Syrian regime with the logic of appearement, bootlicking and mendacity, and third, because it operates on the principle of the compromise and trying to reconcile between two opposing axes and two irreconcilable visions.

The national domestic leadership has failed because most of its members lack the minimum requisite of ethics, sound and patriotic sense of responsibility and a vision for the future.

Now that all the initiatives have failed and the crisis is back to square one, now that the cold war between the two sides of the conflict has shifted to a hot war, and everyone is beating the drums of war, it has become the obligation of the international community to modify its approach to dealing with the Lebanese question. It must operate outside the usual traditional framework and within a non-traditional unusual framework if it really wants an effective solution to this issue and spare Lebanon a destructive war that will quickly spread to the neighborhood like a fire in hay.

The international community has but one of two choices: Either it leaves Lebanon to its fate, with all the dangerous repercussions of that option on Lebanon itself and on the entire region, or it accepts the challenge and confronts the crisis with a different approach that entails imposing solutions by force, as has been done elsewhere. Lebanon must be placed under the direct

custody of the United Nations until such time as stability and peace return to it. If not, the worst is yet to come.

Lebanon, at your service Abu Arz

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