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The Guardians of the Cedars Party - The Movement for Lebanese Nationalism issued the following message:

This statement will not address the sad situation of the Lebanese government, because it is a lost cause. Instead, this commentary is about the Wikileaks site that has stolen the spotlight and taken the world by storm.

For our part, we do not need such a web site to disclose the secrets of Arab regimes and their policies that are based on deception, hypocrisy and conspiracy against their own peoples and neighbors. Perhaps, the Qatari diplomat said it best when he told his American colleague about Iranian-Gulf States relations: "They lie to us, and we lie to them."

And what secret is this that Wikileaks revealed when it noted in one of its leaked documents that the Sunni regimes, led by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, considers Iran and its Shiite tentacles – and not Israel – as the top risk they are facing, and consequently, they are seeking their ally, the West, to deter it by all means, including the military one. And if Wikileaks is able to penetrate the secret communications of the Eastern camp (China, Russia, North Korea), it would find that Iran is, in turn, seeking its allies to eliminate its enemies by the same method.

What matters to us Lebanese in this context is that Lebanon, as is usually the case, has been converted into an ideal arena for the Sunni-Shiite conflict in its new and improved edition, and is thus hostage to its dire consequences. The covert policies that Arabs and Persians have practiced against Lebanon have made this country the first victim in this part of the world.

To wit: Since 1975, the Syrian regime has repeated *ad nauseam* the following canard: Syria is concerned for Lebanon's security and stability, and for harmony among its people, and it stands at an equal distance from all the parties to the Lebanese conflict, etc. Since that time and to date, Lebanon has experienced not a single day of security, stability, and harmony. Rather, it has been engulfed in more conflicts and self-perpetuating wars that perpetually erupt between pro-Syrian loyalist and anti-Syrian parties.

And like Syria, not one Arab country has escaped involvement in the Lebanese crisis in one form or another, always under the slogan of assisting Lebanon in overcoming its crisis, when in fact most Arab regimes have conspired against Lebanon, albeit to various extents. Indeed, it has become a truism to say that the more the Arabs intervened in Lebanon, the more exacerbated and complicated its crisis became.

Then, the turn of the Persian covert involvement arrived, and following the Arabs' example, it turned some of Lebanon into a full-fledged Iranian province with a military arsenal surpassing by far the arsenal of the Lebanese national army. Against the Lebanese people's will, it imposed on Lebanon membership in the "Opposition Countries" club, placing the country at the forefront of the conflict Iran is waging against Israel and the Sunni Arabs. All of this under the slogan of "respecting Lebanon's sovereignty and out of concern for its security, stability, and the unity of its people!!!"

If such are the brothers and friends of Lebanon, why would Lebanon need any enemies? As the proverb says, "Save me, God, from my friends. As for my enemies, I'll manage them."

Lebanon, at your service

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