



The Youth Organization of the Guardians of the Cedars Party issued the following communiqué:

In the midst of this open war on Lebanon, the flagrant distortion of the facts by the ruling - and the opposition - political establishment, and the deceptive campaigns propagated by the media, it is our obligation to declare the following facts:

1- The militia that has dragged the country into this catastrophe, and allowed itself the use the term “resistance” and impose it on the Lebanese people, is a terrorist organization according to international classification and is heir to the leftist militias that fought in the past in the ranks of the Palestinian factions against Lebanon, against its people, and against its national identity.

2- Since this militia calls itself the “Islamic Resistance in Lebanon”, it is identifying itself as an extension of external fundamentalist Islamic movements, and has therefore no relation whatsoever to Lebanon.

3- As a result of the non-Lebanese identification of this organization, the ongoing war is not a Lebanese war as claimed by some of the media. Rather, it is the war of foreigners on Lebanese soil, i.e. an Israeli war against Syria and Iran on our land and at the expense of Lebanese victims. Consequently, to call for rallying around that organization until the crisis is over is false and is a repetition of previous mistakes that allow adventurers to pursue their reckless adventures and the only losers will be the Lebanese people and Lebanon the country.

4- For several years past, this organization has incessantly bragged that it is the only one capable of standing up to Israel, and that it will not surrender its weapons to the Lebanese army because the latter is impotent at fighting the Israeli army. Here we are today witnessing with our own eyes the destruction of the Lebanese south – and the entire country with it, the death of hundreds of our fellow Lebanese, and the displacement of hundreds of thousands of our people as a result of this foolish bragging and this stupid policy.

Much is being said about the need to abide by the Taef Agreement and implement its provisions, when the facts have proven that this agreement, which was rejected by the Guardians of the Cedars Party since its inception, is one of the core causes that led to this destructive war and to bringing the temple down on its owners.

For all these reasons together, we call on the Lebanese Diaspora in all their countries of emigration to organize demonstrations demanding the cessation of the Syrian-Iranian war that is ongoing over our land through the so-called Hezbollah, and the implementation of all provisions of UN resolution 1559. We call on the government and its Prime Minister to stop shedding crocodile tears and crying over spilled milk, and take bold and daring measures to return things to their normal course. This war must be stopped on the basis of radical, and not half-measured patched, solutions as has been the case in the past.

Lebanon, at your service

The Youth Organization
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