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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 26, 1981

Dear Mr. Saadi:

On behalf of President Reagan, thank you for your telegram of August 6th. Your statement of concern regarding Lebanon's sovereignty and independence, and its importance in the frame work of achieving peace in the Middle East, has been duly noted.

Again, thank you for expressing your views on this important matter. Please be assured that this Administration shares your concern for the security and integrity of the Lebanese people and state.

Yours sincerely,

Aram Bakshian, Jr. Special Assistant to

the President

Mr. Elias T. Saadi President American Lebanese League Post Office Box 57163 Washington, D.C. 20037 Sock Burgess

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WE URGE YOU TO GIVE LEBANON PRIORITY IN YOUR TALKS WITH PRESIDENT SADAT OF EGYPT. LEBANON'S SOVEREIGNTY AND INDEPENDENCE, MR PRESIDENT, ARE THREATENED INTERNALLY AND EXTERNALLY. HER SECURITY AND STABILITY ARE VITAL TO U.S. INTERESTS AND TO THE ATTAINMENT OF PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

ELIAS T SAADI PRESIDENT AMERICAN LEBANESE LEAGUE ROBERT A BASIL CHAIRMAN AMERICAN LEBANESE LEAGUE PO BOX 57163 WASHINGTON DC 20037

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#### PATRIARCHATUS MARQNITARUM ANTIOCHIA TOTIUSQUE ORIENTIS

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September 16, 1981

Dear Mr. President,

Permit me to thank you most sincerely for receiving me at your official residence today. In this you have again shown your regard for the people of Lebanon, traditionally friendly to the United States, and for our Country now in its long hour of pain. I can assure you, Mr. President, that each such gesture of interest and concern is deeply appreciated by all our people, for, we believe, our future depends so much on the United States, ever the ally of those suffering oppression.

Because of our confidence in your own good-will toward us, and in the undoubted influence of your Government, as the leading democratic power in the Councils of the Free World, I am attaching a memorandum on the Lebanese crisis. In it are contained some of our reasons for hoping for renewed courageous actions on the part of your Government in favor of our troubled nation, together with a few suggestions. I trust that this memorandum will prove helpful to you and your collaborators in your future deliberations.

Be assured of my prayers that God's Wisdom guide you, so that all men might be more free because of the wise exercise of the power that He has entrusted to you in your exalted office.

May the peace of the Lord rest on each one of us!

Very sincerely yours,

+ Antoine Pierre Khoraiche

Antoine Pierre Khoraiche
Maronite Patriarch of Antioch
and all the East and
President of the Assembly
of Patriarchs and Bishops in Lebanon

The Honorable Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, DC 20500

NSC #8105477

#### MEMORANDUM ON THE LEBANESE CRISIS

In the name of the Assembly of Catholic Patriarchs and Bishops in Lebanon, and in the name of the Lebanese people, I have the honor to submit to those in positions of authority and trust the following important facts.

#### Lebanon Is On The Verge Of Collapse

- Seventy percent of Lebanon is occupied by foreigners -- Syrians and Palestinians, leftists among them -- and an additional five percent (the southern border strip) is beyond government control. The remaining twenty-five percent of Lebanon is, at the will of outsiders, also subject to shelling, destruction, and deplorable loss of life.
- Practically speaking, the legitimate government in Lebanon is powerless. The government is so weak that it is obliged to respond to the whims of factions.
- 3. Bankruptcy threatens. Our monthly national deficit is over \$300,000,000 (U.S.). A return to normalcy would bring Lebanon back to solvency.
- 4. Some 500,000 of our people are displaced or homeless as a result of the fighting; tens of thousands are unemployed; moral and human rights are disregarded, and Lebanese who can do so, the skilled among them, simply leave the country never to return. The effect on our citizens is devastating, at a crucial time now when the presidential election is rapidly approaching.

### The Problems in Lebanon Stem From The Problem of Palestine

- From the beginning, refugees from Palestine were welcomed warmly into Lebanon, but the presence now in our country of armed Palestinian militias has transformed Lebanon into a battlefield of the overall Middle East conflict.
- 2. We believe that the Palestinians are entitled to a homeland of their own.
- The Palestinian homeland, however, must not be achieved at the expense of Lebanon itself or at the expense of the Lebanese.

#### To Save Lebanon We Appeal To The United States

Lebanon must be preserved as a sovereign state, free and independent, within the existing boundaries as recognized by the nations of the world, not only because Lebanon has a right to exist, but because Lebanon is a rare example of democracy in action and of religious pluralism in the Middle East. It constitutes a bridge between East and West.

- The United States is the free world's leading power and protector of human rights.
- 2. The presidential election in Lebanon, which is to take place early in the summer of 1982, should not provide an occasion for the Soviet Union, through its allies who already occupy more than two-thirds of Lebanon, to enlarge and consolidate an influence which is not in accord with the values which our small country cherishes.

#### What We Lebanese Request

In the frame of the U. S. foreign policy and with a view to containing Soviet and Communist influence in the Middle East, we Lebanese respectfully request your assistance:--

- That the Lebanese problem be seen, clearly and definitively, as the Lebanese problem, not simply as a part of the overall problem of the Middle East.
- 2. That, while the Israeli people continue to receive appropriate support, the Palestinians also be enabled to acquire a homeland where they will be masters of their destiny. This Palestinian homeland, however, must not be achieved at the expense of Lebanon.
- 3. In the meantime, while the United States continues to use its good influence for peace with neighboring states and with the Palestinians, we ask for help in strengthening Lebanon's National Security Forces so that the Lebanese government will have at its disposal the means necessary to maintain internal order.
- 4. Further, for as long as the present emergency exists, we ask that United Nations troops, or multinational forces including some from the Arab nations, be

encouraged to increase their presence in Lebanon and to cooperate harmoniously with Lebanese National Forces, so that, in an orderly manner, the Syrian Forces can be withdrawn. This recommendation, and most of the others I have mentioned, are included in the Plan the Government of Lebanon presented to the Four-Part Committee (Lebanon, Syria, Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait, together with the Arab League) recently formed for the achievement of peace in Lebanon. The Plan itself has been communicated to the Government of the United States for support.

The United States must play a key role in the preservation of Lebanon as a sovereign, democratic state.

Respectfully,

+ Antoine Pierre Khoraiche

Antoine Pierre Khoraiche
Maronite Patriarch of
Antioch and all the East and
President of the Assembly of
Catholic Patriarchs and Bishops in
Lebanon



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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD V. ALLEN THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Meeting of Patriarch Khuraysh with the

President

Attached are briefing materials for the President's meeting on September 15 at 1:45 p.m. with Lebanese Maronite Patriarch Antonios Butrus Khuraysh.

> L. Paul Bremer, III Executive Secretary

#### Attachments:

Tab 1 - Background

Tab 2 - Talking Points

Tab 3 - Biographic Information

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Meeting of Maronite Patriarch Khuraysh with the President

#### BACKGROUND

Patriarch Khuraysh is the spiritual leader of the world's Christian Maronites, some 800,000 of whom live in the United States. He is a dedicated and respected church leader, who, in addition to his religious responsibilities, has been active in coordinating humanitarian relief efforts for victims of Lebanon's civil strife. More importantly, Khuraysh, a moderate, has had the courage to keep in regular contact throughout the troubles in Lebanon with the leaders of Lebanon's other religious communities. He is a true Lebanese nationalist who believes that all of Lebanon's communities must put aside their differences for the sake of the survival of Lebanon as a nation.

We believe our objectives in Lebanon are helped by associating ourselves with a leader such as Patriarch Khuraysh, and by encouraging him to persist in supporting efforts by Lebanon's political leadership to promote national reconciliation.

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#### TALKING POINTS

- -- I AM VERY PLEASED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOU, THE SPIRITUAL LEADER OF THE MARONITE CHRISTIANS.
- TIES TO LEBANON AND ITS PEOPLE. WE HAVE OVER 1 MILLION LEBANESE LIVING IN THE UNITED STATES, THE GREAT MAJORITY OF WHOM ARE MARONITES. THE COMMUNITY OF LEBANESE IN THE UNITED STATES IS DEDICATED, RESPONSIBLE AND HARD-WORKING, AND WE VALUE THE CONTRIBUTION LEBANESE-AMERICANS MAKE TO EVERY FACET OF AMERICAN SOCIETY.
- -- WE HAVE ALWAYS HELD LEBANON IN SPECIAL ESTEEM AS A FREE AND INDEPENDENT DEMOCRACY ESPOUSING PRINCIPLES AND IDEALS THAT AMERICANS PRIZE.
- -- AS YOU KNOW, THE U.S. IS COMMITTED TO LEBANON'S INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT PRESIDENT SARKIS AND THE INSTITUTIONS OF THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT, AND WE ENCOURAGE HIS EFFORTS TO PROMOTE THE PROCESS OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION.
- -- WE ADMIRE YOUR COURAGEOUS AND STEADFAST ADHERENCE TO
  THE CONCEPT OF LEBANESE NATIONALISM AND YOUR OWN UNSWERVING
  SUPPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT AND THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT. WE WILL
  CONTINUE OUR FULL COOPERATION WITH LEBANON AND ITS PEOPLE, TO
  HELP CREATE CONDITIONS IN WHICH ALL OF LEBANON'S COMMUNITIES
  CAN LIVE IN SECURITY AND FIND SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY.

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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July 21, 1981

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Richard Allen

FROM: Joanie Sweetland

Former Congressman Dan Kuykendall called Lyn regarding Anthony Peter Khorice, who is the leader of the Maronite Christian Church (Catholic) in Beruit, Lebanon.

Mr. Khorice is going to be in San Antonio, Texas from July 23-27, but is available the following week to come to Washington. He would like to talk to the appropriate person(s) regarding what is happening in Lebanon from his point of view. Says he is not looking for publicity, can be as private as appropriate.

Dan can be reached at: 452-8777 or

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MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM:

RAYMOND TANTER ( T

SUBJECT:

President's Meeting with Ambassador Philip Habib re American University of Beirut

At Tab A is a proposed letter Nat Howell at State wishes to send to the American University of Beirut in response to the incoming at Tab B. Howell wants White House clearance for the outgoing at Tab A, especially for the second paragraph concerning what the President said during the July 6 meeting with Habib. State supposedly has no minutes to which reference could be made about what the President said.

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Tab A Proposed Howell letter to Plimpton Incoming from Plimpton to Clark Tab B

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Mr. Calvin H. Plimpton Chairman of the Board American University of Beirut 380 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Plimpton:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 9 to Deputy Secretary Clark regarding the need of the American University in Beirut for emergency financial assistance.

As you know, the President expressed the view in July that we should examine what assistance the U.S. Government might provide, in addition to its ongoing support under the American Schools and Hospitals (ASHA) program, to meet AUB's urgent, one-time request for up to \$6 million. We are pleased that we were able, in a time of severe budgetary stringencies, to identify \$1 million from reprogrammed FY 1981 funds.

While we are not in a position at this time to make a commitment from FY 1982 funds, you may be sure that we will keep AUB's needs under active consideration with a view to providing such emergency assistance as resources may permit. You will understand that, at this point, AID does not know whether it will receive an appropriation for FY 1982 or will have to operate on the basis of a continuing resolution. Moreover, since support for AUB above the amounts projected in the ASHA and scholarship program has not been budgeted, any additional support would have to be taken, as was the case in FY 1981, from other programs.

I hope you and your colleagues will feel free to remain in touch with me and with appropriate officials in AID on this matter.

Sincerely,

W. Nathaniel Howell, Jr. Director Office for Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, and Iraq

cc: M. Peter McPherson Administrator, USAID November 6, 1981

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Director
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Jordan, and Iraq

cc: M. Peter McPherson Administrator, USAJD October 9, 1981

The Honorable William P. Clark Department of State Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Clark:

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With all best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Calvin H. Plimpton Chairman of the Board



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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD V. ALLEN THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to the President from Bashir Gemayel

The President has received a letter from Mr. Gemayel, who is not a Lebanese government official. In the past, letters such as this coming from a non-official Lebanese have been acknowledged informally, and Ambassador Dillon has now done so in this case as well.

L. Paul Bremer, III Executive Secretary

NSC# 8106291

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

26 October 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD ALLEN

FROM:

ED THOMAS

SUBJECT:

Letter to the President from Lebanese Forces

Ed Meese handed me the attached letter to the President and asked that you evaluate what action needs to be taken. Should the letter go to the Presdient?

## LEBANESE FORCES



August 12, 1981

President Ronald Reagan Washington D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. President:

I wish to express my profound thanks to you for the opportunity of holding discussions on Lebanon with senior officials of your Administration.

Those talks were highly valuable because they provided special insights into the complexities and realities of Lebanon in the Middle East and the importance of United States-Lebanon relations.

Historically close friends of the United States, Lebanon and her people are strongly desirous of establishing an even closer friendship - that of an alliance. This bond, in my judgement is necessary to achieve a free, pluralist Lebanon, further United States interests in the area, and go far toward attainment of regional peace and stability.

With every good wish to you and your Administration, Mr. President, for peace in the Middle East, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Bashir Gemayel

Head of the Forces of the

Lebanese Resistance

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October 29, 1981

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 20, 1982

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At the same time it is clear that the circumstances in Lebanon require fast action and imaginative thinking if Lebanon is to have a future. The primary goal of the Lebanese--which we share--is to strengthen and expand the authority of the legitimate central Lebanese government, and to reconstruct Lebanon politically and economically. This important process is now underway and the United States is making every effort to encourage and support Lebanon's leaders in this vital task.

Among your suggestions you recommend rebuilding the central Lebanese government and armed forces in order to prepare for free elections. Also, you suggest the creation of a truly effective buffer force and zone in southern Lebanon. I strongly agree with these recommendations and appreciate your support in helping to realize our mutual goals.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Rudy Boschwitz United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

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July 20, 1982

#### MR. PRESIDENT:

Ken Duberstein approves
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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 11, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Suggested Responses to Senator Boschwitz and Congressman Kemp Concerning Lebanon

At Tab A and B for your signature are suggested responses to Senator Boschwitz and Congressman Kemp replying to their joint letter to you of June 15, 1982.

They share our perspective that the unwanted violence may provide an occasion for creative diplomacy to break the stalemate regarding Lebanon and the Middle East as a whole.

#### Recommendation

That you sign the letters at Tab A & B.

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Prepared by: Raymond Tanter

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#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

July 6, 1982

FOR:

BUD McFARLANE

FROM:

RAYMOND TANTER RT

SUBJECT: Responses to Senator Boschwitz

and Congressman Kemp

Your suggested change has been incorporated in the subject letters.

MEMORANDUM 4401

#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

July 1, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

RAYMOND TANTER RT

SUBJECT:

Responses to Senator Boschwitz and Congressman Kemp from the President

Concerning Lebanon

At Tab I for your signature is a memorandum for the President. It transmits suggested responses from the President to Senator Boschwitz (Tab A) and Congressman Kemp (Tab B) in answer to their joint letter to the President at Tab C.

The President's letters have been cleared with the Speechwriting Office.

#### Recommendation

That you sign the memo to the President at Tab I.

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Bob Kimmitt concurs.

Attachments

Tab I - Memo to the President

A - President's letter to Boschwitz

B - President's letter to Kemp

C - Incoming letter from Boschwitz and Kemp

#### **MEMORANDUM**

#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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June 24, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

GEOFFREY KEMP

SUBJECT:

Message for the President re Lebanon

from Senator Rudy Boschwitz

At Tab I for your signature is a memorandum for the President. It transmits a response from the President for Senator Boschwitz at Tab A. The speechwriters have cleared the text. The incoming correspondence is at Tab B.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I.

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#### Attachments

Tab I - Memorandum to the President

A - Letter to Senator Boschwitz

B - Incoming message from Senator Boschwitz

### United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

June 15, 1982

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing to welcome you back from your successful trip to Europe and to outline some thoughts and suggestions we have developed on the rapidly changing Middle East situation.

We share with you a concern for the violence that has recently beset the region: yet there is opportunity as well as tragedy in recent events. New military realities have been created which offer invaluable opportunities for diplomatic solutions to Lebanon's longstanding problems and those of the Middle East as a whole. We urge you to take advantage of those opportunities to restore Lebanese territory to the people and government of Lebanon who have suffered too long under foreign occupation.

We believe the United States should take advantage of the weakened military power of the PLO and of Syrian forces to insist on the disarming of all military and paramilitary organizations in Lebanon and the removal of all foreign troops from that nation.

We believe we should move quickly to:

- -- Rebuild the central Lebanese government, armed forces and political alliances in preparation for truly free and democratic elections for the first time in years.
- -- Help create an effective buffer zone in southern Lebanon and to clean out all areas of Lebanon where the PLO had free rein so that this territory may never again be used as the base for worldwide terrorist operations. It would be shortsighted, as your administration appears to recognize, to pressure Israel into a precipitous withdrawal before effective arrangements are made to ensure the PLO could not again infiltrate back into the area.
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Rudy Boschwitz

Jack F. Kemp

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Message from Senator Rudy Boschwitz

Concerning Lebanon

At Tab A for your signature is a response to Rudy Boschwitz's message about Lebanon (Tab B). Rudy shares our concern for the violence in the region but feels we must take advantage of the significant strategic opportunities which present themselves at this time. He highlights these opportunities with emphasis on rebuilding the central Lebanese government, helping to create an effective buffer zone in southern Lebanon and pressing ahead with the Camp David process.

The text of your letter has been cleared with the speechwriters.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the letter to Rudy Boschwitz at Tab A.

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#### Attachments

Tab A - Letter to Rudy Boschwitz

Tab B - Incoming message from Rudy Boschwitz

Prepared By: Geoffrey Kemp

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Ray Tanter

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FROM KEMP

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