STATEMENT ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SPOKESPERSON FOR THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

National Unity Government in Lebanon

The Secretary-General welcomes the announcement on the formation of a national unity Government in Lebanon. He believes that this important event reflects Lebanon's continuing emergence from the political crisis and the revitalisation of its constitutional institutions.

The Secretary-General urges the Lebanese to continue working for the full implementation of the Doha Accord. He will continue to ensure the United Nations' support for the consolidation of Lebanon's stability and sovereignty in accordance with the Taif Accord and the relevant Security Council resolutions.

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