

**Statement attributable to the Spokesperson for the Secretary-General
On the second anniversary of the assassination of Rafic Hariri**

On the second anniversary of the terrorist attack which took the lives of Rafic Hariri and twenty two others, the United Nations reaffirms its commitment to assisting Lebanon in its efforts to uncover the truth and bring to justice the perpetrators of this despicable act. On this sad occasion the Secretary-General reiterates his sympathies to the families of all the victims and to the people and Government of Lebanon.

At this critical point for Lebanon, and as homage for other lives lost, it is important that all sides return to dialogue and seek the reconciliation, national unity and stability for which Rafic Hariri worked during his lifetime.

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