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Statement Following Meeting with Prime Minister Saad Hariri  
Beirut, Lebanon**

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Good Evening

I just had a very good meeting with Prime Minister Saad Hariri and we discussed the situation in Lebanon and in the wider Middle East region.

I informed the Prime Minister I will be travelling to New York in the next few days and that on the 18<sup>th</sup> of November the Security Council will meet to discuss the latest report of the Secretary General on Resolution 1701. The Prime Minister took the opportunity to reiterate the continued commitment of the Lebanese Government towards resolution 1701.

We also talked about the latest developments within Lebanon and I reiterated some of our concerns about the tensions in the country. But I very much welcomed the efforts of the Prime Minister, of President Sleiman, of other Lebanese leaders to continue to seek a solution to problems through dialogue and through the country's institutions. We hope these efforts will be strongly supported by Lebanon's friends and will enable the country to focus again on what we believe are the real concerns of the people concerning society and economy.

Thank you very much.

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