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Statement Following Meeting with Former Prime Minister Omar Karameh
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Massa El-Kheir, Bonsoir, Good-Evening

I just had a very good meeting with former Prime Minister Omar Karameh. We discussed many issues, not just about Lebanon but also about the region. It was a privilege for me to meet again with former Premier Karameh.

Tomorrow I will be visiting Tripoli, his home town. We wanted to get his assessment before visiting Tripoli. I will meet there tomorrow with the Mufti and also with Members of Parliament and other notables.

I listened today to the view of Prime Minister Karameh on the situation in Lebanon and we also discussed the recent tension in the country.

I agreed strongly with Prime Minister Omar Karameh that the only way to overcome difficulties and sensitive issues is through dialogue and dialogue between all parties and also with the support of Lebanon's many friends in the region and outside the region. In this regard, we also highly appreciated his visit to Syria yesterday and the commitment of Syria and Saudi Arabia to have Lebanon face its difficulties.

Shoukran jazeelan.
