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Statement Following Meeting with Prime Minister Fuad Siniora  
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I just had a very good meeting with the Prime Minister Fuad Siniora. We discussed the situation in Lebanon and also the regional situation.

I am very pleased that calm is being restored in south Lebanon and that all sides are taking steps to ensure that the situation remains under control. UNIFIL and the Lebanese Armed Forces continue to coordinate closely in this regard.

Prime Minister Siniora has reassured me that Lebanon remains fully committed to the implementation of Resolution 1701. The UN has called on all sides concerned to take the necessary measures to end any and all violations of that resolution and to move towards the completion of its implementation. This would serve to promote stability, not only in Lebanon but also in the region.

We also discussed today the formation of a new government here in Lebanon. I am pleased by the calm atmosphere of dialogue that has prevailed and that has characterized the discussions surrounding the formation of the government. We hope this will continue and lead to a successful conclusion and the formation of a new government to actively tackle the many challenges that the people of Lebanon have to face in the future.

Thank you very much

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