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Statement following Meeting with Minister of State for Administrative Reform
Mohammad Fneish**

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I had a very good meeting with H.E. the Minister. We talked about a whole range of issues that concern Lebanon and its security and well being.

We discussed the issues which concern the south of Lebanon in particular and the implementation of resolutions there. These are matters of great concern to us, particularly to the United Nations and of course to me in my present role.

We discussed also recent events, including in the north. I would like to express my concern over what happened last weekend in Tripoli and our appreciation speaking for the United Nations, for the efforts of the security authorities to control the situation there but also to look forward I hope to more lasting solutions to the problems in the city.

We discussed various issues which concern the work of the government, which are of interest to us.

I also want finally to express my sympathy for the families of the Lebanese citizens abducted in Syria. This is an issue we also discussed and I want to put on record our hope, as Mr. Annan did the other day, that these people will be back home soon. This is a concern for all of us. We will follow this issue very closely, and will stay in close touch with the Lebanese authorities about it.
