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The Middle Ea P g am' <u>Lebanon Ideas Forum</u>





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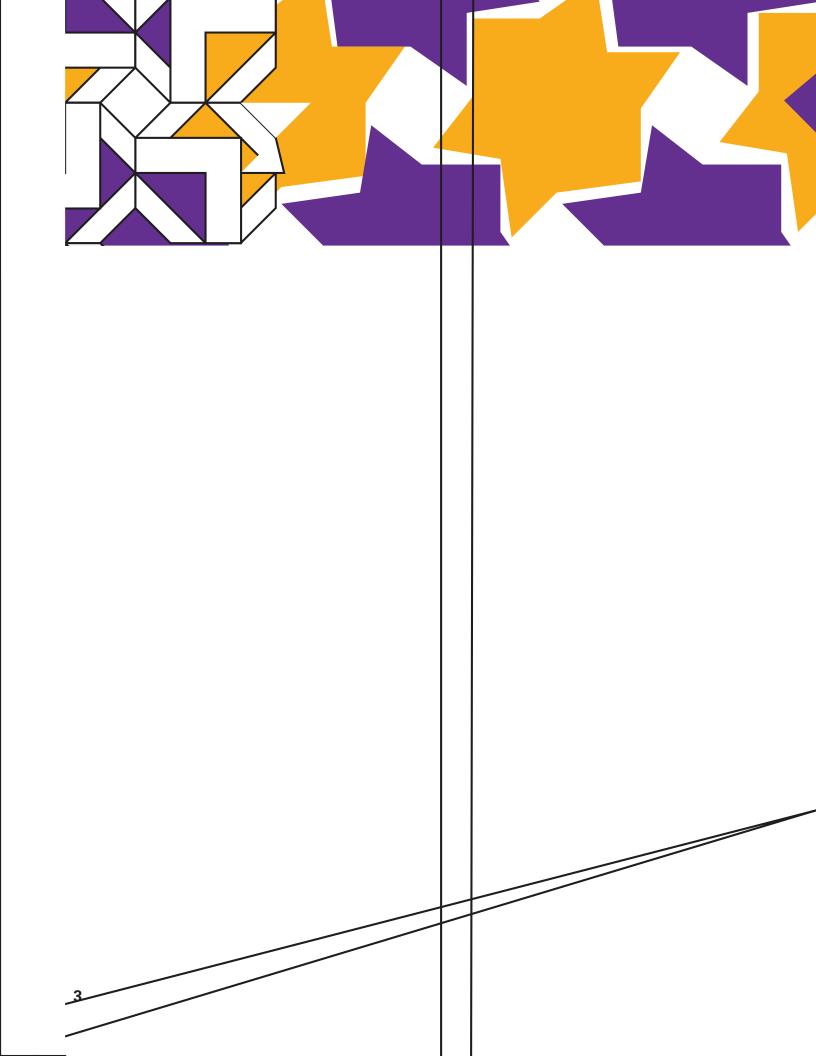
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We ,uld like ack ledge he ,u >>> f he leade hi >> a he W d Wil I e a i al Ce e f Sch la . A pecial ha k he Chai f he Middle Ea P g am, Amba ad Jame Jeff e , f hi ,u >>> a d he P e ide a d CEO f he Wil Ce e , Amba ad Ma k G ee , f hi leade hi >>>

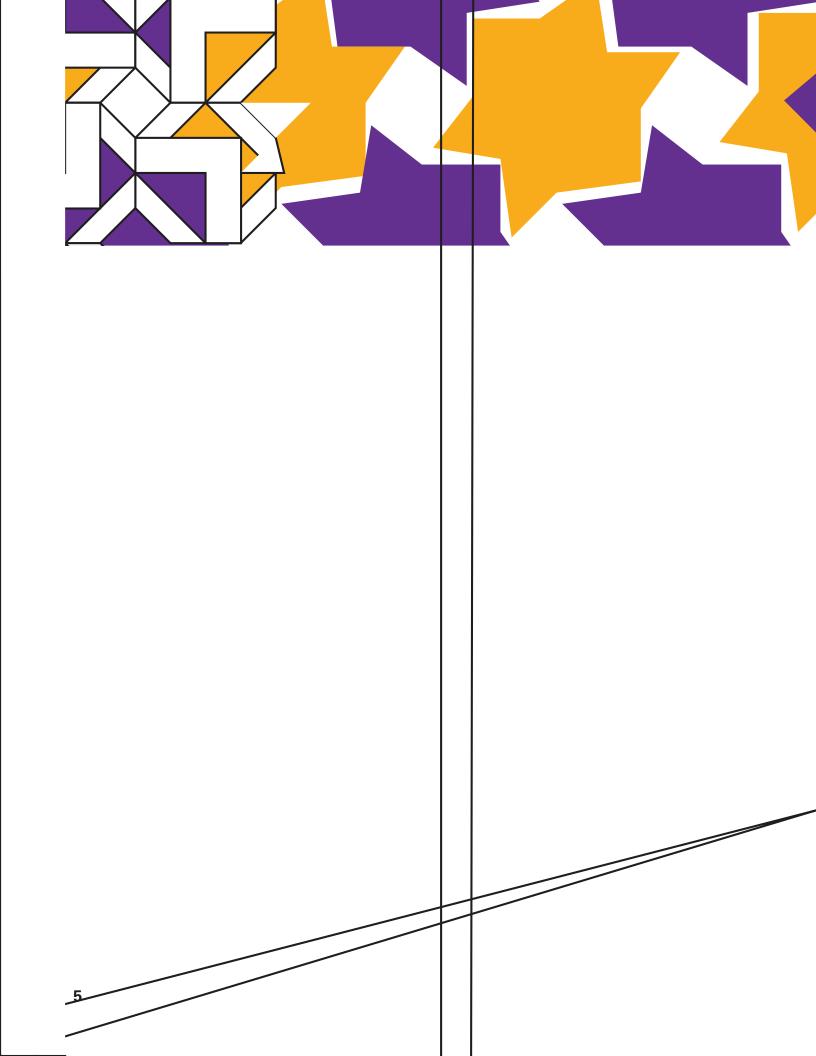
Thi e be e ed eme d , l f m he ad ice a d i igh f a i , l li ical a d ec mic leade , e ea che a d lic make i Leba a d U i ed S a e , a d he Leba e e Ame ica dia a, a ell a ci il cie leade , e e e e, l a d ac i i ki g i ele l add e he m iad challe ge Leba face . We a ecia e hei idea , e cha ge , a d c , l c i e feedback h , l gh , l he a ea .

A hea fel ha k he Middle Ea eam: B ke She ma , Ale a de Fale , a d lb ahim Ahmad f hei dedica i , i igh a d ha d k, i h ,  $\iota$  hich hi  $\bullet$  jec ,  $\iota$ ld ha e m ed f a d.

We a e m g a ef, l he a i , l d f he Lebanon Ideas Forum i ce i i ce  $\bullet$  i i cl, l di g M . Bahaa Ha i i a d he Safadi F , l da i .



di  $c_{i,L}$  i in Leba e e li icia , f cial , a d ci il cie membe , a ella f eig di la ma , academic , lic e e , a d leade f m he Leba e e Ame ica c mm, L i . The di  $c_{i,L}$  i ce e ed Leba ' li ical i , La i , i h a f  $c_{i,L}$  , L de l i g lebem f he a e, e eig , g e a ce, elec i fa le ide , f ma i f a f, L c i i g cabi e , a d la ci -ec mic challe ge a d la ci -ec mic challe ge a d la ci -ec i al e led he i e a i al dime i c ide he im lac fe e al ac , i cl, Ld-i g he U i ed S a e , Fa ce, a d egi al a e .



be ,L ai ed a d c ,Lld i k c ic . H e e , a e e ed f c,L e i g Leba e e e eig a d maki g he ce al a e ele a a d effecie i b h ece a a d ible Leba de ce i a g,L ai e j,L gle a de ,L i a a h a d abili a d i



ai ed, a e e he e i eali ic a h a d ha e d. H e e, e , e h , ld be a slied e able he Leba e e a e he a m , he l e al Sec, l i F ce , a d he a e b die gai c l fall f Leba 'b de , a dai , e ha ih he , l fa e g he ed a de a ded UN I e im F ce i Leba (UNIFIL) ma da e. The e g al h , ld be emb aced a a fa ackage deal e d he c, l e li ical im a e; im leme a i ill e , l e , l ai ed i e a i al a d e gi al , l .

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The eae h c, a, dhe IMF, gam flading facil fhidime i. Sme Leba e eleade a e aking fall e c mf fm e d, cha e e ed emi a ce a dhe dllai Lai fhe ec m, claiming he e bia e he eed fai f, lefm. He e, ha i i fac cc, i gi he ge e a i fa e e la ge black-make f ca, i al, lab, a de ice, ei f ci g c e, blem fmi ma ageme a d mi a, i ai f Leba e e lip, cidi. With , le ai fc de ce i he Leba e e c, le c, ce al bak, a d, a cial ec, bad ac illicea i gl d mi a e he ec m a d, lice f Leba a he e e e fhe a e, hich ill c i, le di i ega e i he abe ce fee, lead elea ce. The de ail fa IMF-Leba e e g e me ageeme h, ld be lef he a ie. A ageed, lefm ill ha e be, licall, lai ableada c ha edep, liabl i Leba e e cie e. He e, he e i , lb i, lef, lch, lc, lal efm. Embaciga IMF, gam i le e ial acce i g IMF la, i, ide a, g dh, lekee i g, eal fa, al ha ca, leka i a cefma m, li, de fhe i e a i al poblicad i a e ec , lce.

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O cea e pe ide adg e me aei place, a de fb, tie ill be eleciga a e g e f he ce al bak. Thi ch ice ill be a eal e f he pli ical leade hi g c mmi me ge ef m. The appi ee h , tld ha e he e pe ie cea do le ha ill help e e b h d me ica di e ai alco de cei he f cea de able he e i c, t mbe k i h he g e me abilize he ai 'c, t e ca df eig e e e a def m he a cial ec. Regai i gi e ai alco de cei Leba 'a cial ec ill ef, tie complia i h i e ai al FATF a, th i ie e , t e Leba i complia i h he highe a i-m e la, t de i gada i-e i aciga dad, hich i Leba 'i e e.

Winder me f Leba ' e ial ff hega eld acceleaig, i ill bee e ial f he e e ide adge me eca ee, Lege eaed beeg d, Lci agai c , Lei miall cai. A f m c imial behai, he em ai , Le, Lch i c me adde heg eme ee, Lecieh, Ld beei ed. Ma m del ei f e eig eal h f, Ld hich cae, Le hi e f, Ld e ial , Lce f eal h i f, La de ed.

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O e a h a e g he i g he Leba e e i a e ec i mige e e e, L hi a d , Lilizi g Leba killed , Lhb e abli hi ga i c, Lba i e me f, Ld. S, Lcha f, Ld ca be ed b d c , Lie , Lcha he U i ed Sae , Face, a d Gema , a ella egi al allie i cl, Ldi g he U i ed A ab Emia e , Sa, Ldi A abia, a d Qaa. The Leba e e dia aca la aciical leb i e i g ca i al a di-ki d c ib, Li f mi c ide able ale l. The f, Ldc , Ldbe , Lba b a d ha i cl, Lde membe f he dia aa, b, Lie leade , e e e a i e f m ciil cie gaizai , academia, a ded, Lcai ali i, Li , a d chael eed m e a e f, Li la a -, La a d e e e e, Lac Leba , ai i i zi g me a d , Lg e e.

### IV. CONCLUSION

he eae a acea f he i e c ec ed e f challe ge c f i g Leba da, a d l , , i f he ec mme da i e e ed he e ill e le hem al e. The Leba e e edicame i ha i ec a ia c m e i make g e a ce a d e ha i g dif c, l i he be f ime, a d he eae he be f ime. M e e, Leba ca e cae he eali ha i i e i he fab ic f he Middle Ea, be e i g f m i ich a d c m e c, l , l e b, l , l ffe i g i c i e , c ic , a d fa, l li e . Ame ica e gageme ha bee be e cial a ime; h e e, e i d f eglec a d i hd a al ha e l i e ed he e a ded each f Ame ica f e i Leba like la da a d l cal ac i imical Ame ica i e e h ha e fed ff a d accele a ed he e i f he a e a d e eig - . The challe ge f Leba e e leade a d Ame ica lic make i m e be d he ic ha e he e e d a d emb ace a gible a d eali ic mea, l e ad a ce a al e a i e i f he c , l .

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