

October 22, 1950

Severing of Relations between Syria and Lebanon

Citation:

"Severing of Relations between Syria and Lebanon", October 22, 1950, Wilson Center Digital Archive, Emir Farid Chehab Collection, GB165-0384, Box 12, File 43/12, Middle East Centre Archive, St Antony's College, Oxford.
<https://digitalarchive.umd.edu/document/176088>

Summary:

Syria and Lebanon sever relations, and a movement grows in Tripoli against separation from Syria.

Credits:

This document was made possible with support from Youmna and Tony Asseily

Original Language:

Arabic

Contents:

Original Scan
Translation - English

579-43/12

سريه

مدرسة كهنه
١٤٠١/١٠/٢٥

(القصبة ببيور بارلينا)

بناءً على الخيارات الواردة من لينا ولما اطلبنا اسم السيد محمد زراعي والتجارة وارباباً لا تقاربان اجتماعاً بركانه عزنة
 الزايم محمد تاريخ ١٤٠١/١٠/٢٥ نذكر وانما له الحالة السيه التي تصيب اصحاب الاتقاربان من طبر القصبه التي
 منسأ الحكومه على تلفظ
 وفي هذا الاجتماع قد كثر في غدة الزايم السيد طاهر محمد بآسيا تانياً ودر اليه من طبر القصبه من غرض الزايمه ولما تبينه ان
 الطيبه قد تارت تأثرها عندما اطلعوا على اتقاربان الذي يريد الحكومه تطيفه ، وقد قال صاحب
 الكتاب انه الطيبه اخذ راسه في العده لمجايزه هذا القاء الفلم
 ولما لم يلبس من قبل انه تحدد هذوها بالاصحاح على الحكومه لكونه من صلبه وتقبل كرت لينا
 وبعاد فكرة القاطعه من البلاد
 ويذكر صاحب الكتاب بانه من طابرين لانه حله عديته كثيرة لا تقدر انفسا لا عديها ، وقد اخذت فكرة الاقحام
 اكر سورياتر في وقد قويت بعد القصبه
 هذا انه من قبل ان يتم لا يزال اجتماعاً صاحبها الى المقامات العاليه لمنع المقاطعه به البلاد

43/12

From your correspondent in Aleppo, 22/10/1950

Severing of relations between Syria and Lebanon

Based on information reaching Aleppo from Lebanon and Tripoli (Syria), farmers, merchants and business owners held a large meeting at the Chamber of Agriculture in Aleppo on 20/10/1950 to discuss the poor situation of the economy resulting from the government's decision to sever relations with Lebanon.

Also during the meeting, the Secretary of the Chamber of Agriculture, Mr Taher Hameed Pacha, read a letter he had received from Tripoli's Chamber of Agriculture informing him that the city's inhabitants had become very angry when they learned the real nature of the decision adopted by the two governments. The author of the letter said that Tripoli's citizens were preparing to put counter measures in place in response to this unfair decision.

Tripoli asked Aleppo to follow suit and protest against the Syrian Government's decision, urge it to mitigate the severity of its demands, accept Lebanon's conditions, and reverse its decision to sever relations between the two countries.

The letter's author confirms that there is a new strong movement in Tripoli against separation from Syria, that the idea of becoming part of Syria has begun to gain momentum, and that the movement has become stronger after the break in relations. He also said that Aleppo's popular circles intend to send strong protests to prominent personalities in order to prevent the total breakdown in relations between the two countries.