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The decision could also have an impact on the wider Lebanese economy, as the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime ranked Lebanon in its 2018 report as the world's third main source of cannabis resin seized by national author...



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In April 2018, Gemayel said he was against a budget clause he claimed would benefit Syrian refugees looking to settle in Lebanon. Article 50 of the 2018 state budget grants residency to foreign nationals who buy an apartment of at...



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Following the beginning of the Syrian civil war in 2011, he claimed that the regime of President Bashar al-Assad was responsible for creating the radical jihadist al-Nusra Front. However, he remains politically active, despite con...



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The most famous example of a successful initiative to prevent radicalization in Lebanon is a project by the NGO MARCH in Tripoli. It started from 2014 and brought together young people from two rival neighborhoods: the Alawite min...



Nabih Berri: Lebanon's Great Survivor

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Nabih Berri is perceived as intelligent, dedicated and honest, with good political instincts and the ability to change when needed in order to maintain his position and party. However, his heavy involvement and current long-lastin...



In Lebanon, Balance of Power Shifts after Chaotic Elections



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Hezbollah party and its allies won more than a third of the 128 seats, giving them veto power. Prime Minister Saad Hariri lost a third of his seats. Indeed, the strengthened position of Hezbollah's bloc could have a long-term im...



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In light of Hariri's limited impact on Lebanese politics and the context of his access to the top position in first place, it may be time for him to admit that he is better suited to business.



Civil Society Groups Hope to Shift Balance of Power in Lebanese Elections

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Even without a majority in parliament, political divisions and no practical immediate impact, civil society can at least take the first of what is likely to be many steps towards a more diverse political life in Lebanon.





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israel and Hezbollah understood that a next round would be devastating and that each could not entirely eliminate the threat of retaliation in a first wave, the solution has been to bargain deterrence. However, the deterrence poli...



In Lebanon Elections, Newcomers Look to Unseat Old Guard

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Will the elections diminish or strengthen the power of Hezbollah in Lebanon's government? However, the impact of May's elections will be felt well outside the borders of the small country and by many more people than the appro...

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