

Lebanon, 7 August 2020, Re. 5 September 2020

Fellow Rotarian.



## **World Support to Lebanon**

I hope my communication finds you, and your loved ones, in the best of health and safe.

Among the many casualties, was, our fellow Rotarian, *President Antoine Barmaky of the Rotary Club of Hammana –Upper Metn*, who was killed in the explosion, while visiting a relative at Saint-Georges Hospital. We present our sincere condolences to Tony's family, to Carole and PAG Joe Kozah and PP Michel Barmaki. We extend our sincere condolences for the Rotarians and families and we hope for speedy recovery for the wounded people.

6:07 PM Beirut time, on the 4th of August 2020, a huge devastating blast occurred in Beirut Harbor caused by the explosion of Ammonia Nitrate in a warehouse causing catastrophic outcomes to an extent that media compared it to Hiroshima Nuclear attack and called "Beirutshima".

This Blast killed hundreds of people, more than 4000 people were wounded as per Red Cross Numbers and hundreds disappeared, among them dear Rotarian fellow, relatives and Friends. In addition, huge havocs occurred in Beirut city and surrounding regions. Some major Hospitals were severely hit such Hospitals as Saint-Georges, Geitawi- Lebanese Hospital, Rizk-LAU, Hotel Dieu de France and Wardieh-Sainte-Rosaire. All hospitals in Beirut exceeded their capacities and rerouted some injuries to hospitals all over the country.

This disastrous situation needs an urgent response, basically in matter of food, shelters, medical goods and equipment, and basic sanitary needs.

In addition to the financial and economic crisis that is hitting the country and the Pandemic proliferation of COVID 19 in Lebanon in high numbers, that are by themselves much over the Lebanese state's response capacity, this blast came to add insupportable damages, creating a real catastrophe, putting the Country in big disastrous situation.

For this reason, it's time for us Rotary Clubs, Rotarians, Partners and friends to act rapidly.

It's time for us to offer immediate support in basic food, medical supplies, pharmaceutical & sanitary products. The call is upon us Rotary clubs, Rotarians, families, partners and friends in Lebanon and outside Lebanon to immediately contribute. There is emergency!

For this reason, the following bank accounts are dedicated to receiving your contributions

From inside Lebanon: [bank to bank, cash or bank check deposit]

## N.B. Please make sure you identify your club, your district or yourselves in the payment

| Beneficiary                                      | : Rotary Association - Lebanon                   |
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| Bank   | : Bank Audi SAL                                  |
| Branch   | : Bab Idriss                                     |
| City - Country                                   | : Beirut - Lebanon                               |
| Swift Code                                       | : AUDBLBBX                                       |
| Beneficiary Address                              | : Gedco Center, Horsh Tabet, Sin el Fil, Beirut, |
| (required for international transfers):          | Lebanon.   |
| IBAN (required for transfers from bank to bank): | : LB71 0056 0000 0000 0084 1200 0018             |

## From outside Lebanon:

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| City - Country                                   | : Beirut - Lebanon                               |
| Swift Code                                       | : AUDBLBBX                                       |
| Beneficiary Address                              | : Gedco Center, Horsh Tabet, Sin el Fil, Beirut, |
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| IBAN (required for transfers from bank to bank): | : LB06 0056 0000 0000 0084 1200 0024             |

In my role of Lebanon Country Fund\_LCF chair and TRF District 2452 chair, I am sending you this communication so we act together to respond the needs. We set our priorities [food boxes, medical equipment, COVID-19, Hygiene] looking always for a trustful image of Rotary, that our organization got because of our latest projects implemented in our country.

You are kindly expected to circulate this email among your families, friends, fellows and contacts to ensure the maximum reach and maximum outcome.

God bless you and your families. TOGETHER WE RISE

Regards. Michel

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