

MESSAGE FROM H. E. M. CAMILLE CHAMOUN  
PRESIDENT OF THE LEBANESE REPUBLIC  
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I warmly welcome this British initiative and look forward to the day when this school takes its place among the educational institutions of the country.

I know from personal experience the inestimable services which an English Public School can render to our youth. In any case the realisation of a project of this nature is in complete accord with the desire of the Lebanon to become, in this Near and Middle East region, a real cultural centre, and with her ambition to fuse in the same mould all that is best and most creative in the cultures of East and West.

I agreed with pleasure to be Patron of this appeal for your help. The British Government has already subscribed over one million Lebanese pounds. I hope that thanks to your support and to the contributions of the Lebanese communities overseas, especially those living in British possessions, other generous gestures will be added to this first one, and that this project will soon become a living reality.