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Hamid Franjeh, Riad al-Solh.



Hamid Franjeh Monsignor Marina with the first apostolic nuncio in Lebanon.



Hamid Franjeh at the headquarters of the League of Arab States with the Secretary-General Abdel-Khalek Hassouna.



Hamid Franjeh with Turkish Prime Minister during his visit to Lebanon in 1955.



Photograph of Hamid Franjeh moments after his resignation, with Pierre Adah, the Government of Sami Magistrate on 7 September 1955.

"It's a date for general elections on April 15 in the year 1951, raising the number of deputies from 55 to 77 and divided northern Lebanon into three electoral districts:

Akkar, Tripoli - Daniya and Zaghrata - Batroun - Koura, was launched on the last name of the "triangle Angle." Franjeh headed by Hamid was one of regulations in this triangle. Authority has decided to close the road in front of the leader who declared that day did not feel at all, but rather Governing seat parliament, because the parliament platform can address the people directly through public accountability and to demand those present at the Power and reveals what must be twisted and Ajharh.

The greatest difference between the Authority and the North's leader, prompting President brother, Sheikh Salir Al-Khuri, nicknamed "the Sultan", to go to the north of communication liabilities. And that the town was always avoided taking part in Kfrobeida even stopped and took him to a house where detained in the basement. Once the news spread in Beirut until Hamid Franjeh, has been rushed to Kfrobeida, and arrived at the destination requested of the released detainees Sultan said: "It is not thus treated the brother of the President of the Republic", and levels to lock his car and back to Beirut. So yes, Hamid Franjeh act with the magnanimity of his rival. Only adult adults in this world and stand behind the dignity and respect toward O_khasamanm so, what beautiful and greatest pause. However, this work did not weaken the power interventions in order to secure the most loyal in the House of Representatives. But the victory came as truncated re-elected Hamid Franjeh, but without any other members of the list.

Day the press highlighted the victory of Hamid Franjeh and defeat the moral authority pending the methods used in these elections and their results, which reported in "hunter" in this regard: "The rally reinforced the elections and respect on the leader proved that he belongs to a rare type of men."

The resignation of Bishara Al-Khuri

Stronger opposition to the Covenant, prompting parties allied against the Commission to send a message to the Arab League signed by the Camille Chamoun and Raymond Edde, Kamal Jumblatt, where the disadvantages of the chaos which has been circulated and stifled freedoms and consolidated the reactionary feudal and worked on the publication of popular discontent. On July 16 of 1951 Riad al-Solh was assassinated in Amman, issued a disaster for the country to assassinate him, but for Hamid Franjeh lost brother and friend, Rafiq course, men are complement each other. Yes, it Hamid

Franjeh in the Riad al-Solh, who was the only person in position to successfully complete his project to unify Lebanon and the Lebanese. The Hamid Franjeh in the July 16 each year to visit the tomb of Riad al-Solh, even during his illness, eager to honor the memory of a friend will not be lost in the corridors days.

After this period the storm arose, "Socialist Front" alliance with Hamid Franjeh, with the objective of reform and the fight against bribery and corruption. The meetings of the House of Representatives has become a storm, and took strong opposition, the government faced Magistrate Sarr made by the Council of Representatives in February 19, 1952 criticism from Hamid Franjeh, as amended by the ministry of the new May 8, 1952 has received criticism from various national leader.

Resolution of the summer 1952 and the country deteriorate further. And in front of the intransigence of the opposition and the intransigence of the big meeting was held in Deir Al-Qamar on 17 August 1952 to correct the existing situation of democracy and democratic rule in favor of a program according to the opposition. The work Hamid Franjeh Aloudz and then address the worst in people.

On the eve of the meeting, which included about forty thousand citizens from all regions, Hamid Franjeh held a meeting at his home in a narrow street in front of the museum where the meeting said "I do not exaggerate today may be overthrown President of the Republic in a manner that might insult the president, because we are all responsible for the deterioration of the situation and we have to Cooperate to repair. " Recalling Dr. Elias Khoury and Minister of Health and am referring to the middle of the night and told him "I want to convey to the president this talk, I Hamid Franjeh, is ready to calm the opposition on two conditions, namely: that the Basharah Sheikh is a new government direction envisaged by the opposition and put an end to the interventions of his brother Sultan Sound in the affairs of state. " Dr. Khuri returned an hour later, carrying President Answer disappointing "properly consulted my brother," What was the leader who tried to spare the end of President unenviable but the Health Minister said "I am now satisfied with the battle against the rule of conscience not only end the resignation of the president."

The opposition called a general strike in Beirut on 15 and September 16, issued the strike all inclusive. On September 18 of 1952, Sheikh Beshara resigned after the army commander charged Fouad Chehab, in accordance with the Constitution of the formation of an interim

government to ensure the continuation of the state pending the election of a new President of the Republic. Consisted of the Government in September 18 of the year 1952, was intended to include Major General Shehab, Nazem Akkari and Basil Trad, and lasted three weeks. Anecdotes and the opposition it has decided to be one of its meetings at the home of Brigadier General Raymond Edde in Sofer. Rose Brigadier Kamal Jumblatt, the eve of the meeting to create the necessary and spent the night there as Nam each in a single room. In late into the night he heard noise coming from the General Chamber of Kamal Jumblatt, He drew his pistol and went to a movement leader and saw Alshovi sport practiced yoga. The exclamation point to Brigadier Jumblatt told him "I cannot sleep because I was thinking, if we topple his successor President Raymond you? In fact, either you, or Shimon or Hamid, you and I, what is gained Sognih?" Dean replied, "Oh Kamal, your important to remove Sheikh Beshara and then see what to do after." It should be noted that the rest of the members who Sidmanm for Sofer in the morning, they were surprised upon arrival to above that the way to go, so they had to go back and go the photo and then to the western Bekaa city of Zahle and from there to Sofer. However, as Hamid Franjeh arrived to the above, security officials told him: "Hamid you prefer," Sofer way to the interval. Do you respect the men dominated the power to Hamid Franjeh, the opposition to abide by strict orders given to them? Or acted with tact and cunning to avoid a collision with his companions Zgrtaoyen who could attack without any account of the consequences? Or any reaction might occur in the northern areas?

Presidential Franjeh, Shimon

Khuri has been narrowed after the resignation of the presidential battle between the Camille Chamoun and Franjeh Hamid. Franjeh has requested that the Shahak General of the candidates instead of, but the latter rejected, while Camille Chamoun said that he will continue to fight until the end of any candidate who will face. Then learned that Sheikh Beshara al-Khuri instructed by his group along with Hamid Franjeh, who was at the same time support the Phalange Party. In a meeting Jmni Sheikh Yusuf Al-Hamid your cousin, Deputy Luis Abu Sharaf, in the eighties, when they come to me to mention this battle as they campaign together for the benefit of Franjeh, who was always say to them: "do not let it out that way, but honest and upright "It was also confident of

victory as it was with the support of 80 percent of the vote in the House, and the result was the privilege of Camille Chamoun, because then the British ambassador met with Franjeh, said, "but withdrew and regret." It is known that Hamid Franjeh had been refusing to go along with Britain and its Middle East while his rival conveyed it and defend their interests.

As Franjeh first contacted the Office of the Ambassador of France, Count de Hila, Vojaboh "It is on a fishing trip in the Bekaa," Understanding Franjeh, a specialist quibbles political meaning of this answer, went to the council on Sept. 23 election in the year 1952 and withdrew in the interest of Camille Chamoun. Franjeh remained after the presidential election is the very position and the bouquet of moral model.

I was not even that period had identified a good Hamid Franjeh, note that we meet on several occasions, most religious, where we exchange greetings, but my brother and Priest, Father Elias Boutros, when they were students studying theology, the Father Elias Boutros-Khuri and they go on summer vacation Ehdén in the monastery of Mar Sarkis, and were each in turn knows Wenzhe Hamid Franjeh children: Marie-Claude Kaplan and the late decoration and Samir and Nabil and small following. In 1955 the Alia went to bid farewell before my brother Peter to France, was named after my brother Rsamth associate of Philip Khoury Najim, the Custodian of the Maronite diocese there. I was told that the house of Hamid Franjeh, who was spending his summer vacation in Aley. The first time entered the home, where I sat with him face to face and exchanged various conversations. should be noted that the North's leader did not have a house, all the houses where cotton, both in above or near the museum or in Verdun Street and even in Ehdén were all rent, but his home in Zaghrata he inherited from his house known as H. Kaplan Franjeh, was admitted to a list of inventory of the ancient buildings in the history of 23 March 1982, with Deir Mar Antonios - Khcbo in the prolific real estate and who personally supervised the restoration with the support of the Department of Antiquities Director General Professor Camille Asmar. Before die Hamid Hayat a few days Franjeh told his wife: "What a six Bret did not leave my children for money or property or home: but I have eased my conscience because I left them a good name and reputation." Yes, this is the reality, the Mitrfa Vhamid Franjeh, a clean stop, supports his family the pension which he received. An example is his integrity that when he was in Paris in the task of disengagement cash, was accompanied by his wife there several days

and then return to Beirut. And the object in the hotel on : Lebanese businessmen requesting them to ask about the fate of her husband's gold and currency promising them a decent amount received by cash, Vojapth that it does not dare to do so. As Hamid told Franjeh with a severe sleep so he said to her, "What was it you say?" She had said to the man, Vartah to reply.

Unfortunately, President Camille Chamoun reneging on his promise to his allies, coalition Fanfrt held between him and Kamal Jumblatt demanded the latter to participate in the development of the new policy, and other things. Shimon Peres and deliberately to reduce the influence of his political opponents, because it was convinced that some leaders control the number of deputies to the degree of control over the fate of any government and disrupt the Covenant so it has to downsize the majority of the constituencies, Lebanon Section 33 electoral districts (22 individual and 11 Chamber Service Bilateral elected 44 deputies instead of 77), was that the Zaghrata won two seats. This amendment has great resentment in Parliament, where opposition to forming its first government, formed in his chairmanship of Prince Khaled Al-Shahab. When asked Hamid Franjeh view, the new law, he said: "parliamentary representation should be lifted to a hundred deputies, making it difficult to control the executive branch in the legislature."

I recall that many of those who were responsible for the arrival of President Shimon Ihasponh started to power after less than a year on his election, including Kamal Jumblatt, who has in the seafront festival on the occasion of May Day in his capacity as Chairman of the Progressive Socialist Party, founded in early 1953, was the festival Labor And at the political, because I recall that Jumblatt did not provide the time and strongly President of the Republic. The Hamid Franjeh at the time focused on reconciliation among the Lebanese, in the absence of such an accord was absurd to think in the future or planning for anything. Will not receive any of the Lebanese entity as long as the sects and his sons agree on it. And the unity of the Lebanese must be on the major principles: a multi-sect Lebanon, to ensure basic freedoms, the need to protect the gains of 1943 and independence, and attachment to a democratic system based on the Declaration of Human Rights and will co-existence ... After securing the unity of the Lebanese can think of two top priorities identified by Hamid Franjeh, namely: the establishment of the best possible relations with the Arab countries, and expanding relations with Western countries and the Great ... The history of

Lebanon has proved the health of the order of these priorities.

Hamid Franjeh was not against the Covenant in the office often announced in the House of Representatives and should support the Covenant to be able to begin the necessary reforms. However, President Shimon knew that Hamid Franjeh, as a result of attachment to freedom of criticism and presidential Ministerial Action as well as the support of major segment of the Lebanese bold positions may constitute an obstacle to the day of its projects and ambitions, began to form and strengthen the current adverse domestic political him. To prove the growing popularity of Hamid Franjeh, a large Akkar in November of 1952, which happened immediately after the presidential election, Hamid Franjeh resolve the guest of honor, gave speeches that were then thrown clear idea of the popularity of men.

From the ministry to the opposition

The municipal elections on January 8 of 1953 and concomitant accidents to be the best proof of direct intervention of the Authority in the conduct of electoral processes. After several months, Shimon solve the President House in July 1953, general elections were won by Hamid Franjeh easily, and then wrote a newspaper: "Hamid Franjeh named the program, the myth of past and future epic victory."

However, reflected how the regional situation on the internal politics then?

The political developments in this area have occurred quickly. In late September of the year 1954, told the Ambassador of the United States, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Lebanon, his country's determination to provide Lebanon with economic and military aid. It appeared the announcement as the beginning of Lebanon's accession to the Western bloc, Vetotr the internal situation, and Hamid Franjeh had learned a lesson from the crisis of 1936 in the era of President Emile Edde, namely, that every decision to install a camp in Lebanon negative reactions occur, and, consequently, damaging the unity of the Lebanese as the presence of Lebanon, by the community which might be considered that this decision their peril. Arab unity has rarely been a popular of Christians, and accession to the west was less popular for Muslims.

In 1955, grew up in the Middle East camps: the first is a pro-Western States: Iraq, Turkey, Jordan, and the second consists of: Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Yemen, each of

these pillars is seeking to attract Lebanon and Syria to its ranks.

At that time asked him to President Camille Chamoun to participate in the ministry introduced a three demands: to amend the election law and increase the number of deputies, find the reasons behind the sectarian crisis that has gripped the country the summer of 1954 on the basis of justice for the victims of sects, the Lebanese government to give power to legislate in order to be able to eliminate Corruption established by the legislative decrees, which called for many amendments. President Shimon agreed on these points, and announced that the next government must pay alone. However, President Shimon with his well-known, it accepts everything, and sometimes change his mind once Evargah up-to-date, so his supporters in the field of political geniuses who know the art of political manipulation ... However, the administration was unfortunate country into little enviable. Therefore, by Hamid Franjeh concern for the future of Lebanon after a meeting with President-designate Sami Magistrate on July 9 of the year 1955, participating in the

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However, the obstacles particularly during his resignation.

Frnjeh prior to the million dollars from

the fourth point, because it accepted the view that the absence of appropriate tax policy and spending policy uncontrolled Sijeran the country into debt. The acceptance of a loan made in the fourth period the country's difficult circumstances, it seems a prelude to involvement in Lebanon camp's commitment to Western countries. As Franjeh, became foreign minister refused join the Baghdad Pact. This was not refusing to reject the idea of neocolonialism disguised, but takes into account the feelings of the majority of Lebanese Muslims who consider that the alliance directed against the aspirations of the Arabs. The other hand, is refusing to join the Charter proposed by the Tripartite Egypt, but was established with the Lebanese Christians not to worry for their future, and even their present. However, Hamid Franjeh, understanding the claims of Arab States in the framework of the League of Arab States, was seeking to consolidate Arab unity and to satisfy the two communities Albannanettin big, as it must be repercussions for the un of Arab good of Lebanon.

Thus, the resignation Hamid Franjeh As I mentioned, as did Pierre Edde, said Franjeh from the ministry as saying that did not prevail any harmony and ministers do not

respect the guidelines established by their own do not respect the laws. This was the last attended by the Ministry Hamid your political career, said the time "has Astqlna for two reasons, first, I am I can no longer follow up foreign policy, which came to power Onfzha because obstacles in my way, and second, because we won at home to the law against breaking the law Not accept any leniency in this offense. " The results of the resignation (one of Lebanon's Foreign Minister to cancel a meeting of Arab foreign ministers which was held on his own initiative. The one newspaper to the effect of this is "changing position of the Arab countries after the resignation of Hamid Franjeh and became reject any Arab meeting whatever the political level", adding "the prevailing belief that Lebanon is now zero-Arab foreign policy."

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