Statement from Mouvement Social: In the time of relief, our common journey

In the midst of the aggression that destroys our homeland, Mouvement Social emphasizes an undeniable truth: Lebanon is a final homeland for all its citizens, and we are in this ordeal equally. The fear that the Lebanese have for their property and security is a common fear, combining those who have been forced to leave and those who remain in their home, both of whom are victims of a suffocating economic crisis and brutal aggression.

Our humanity and citizenship dictate to us today to get around the most affected, and not to load it with the burden of political options that it did not make. Humanitarian relief is a must, but alone it is not enough if it is not accompanied by vigorous efforts to heal the rift in our social fabric. We have to dispel our fears of each other, as obsession increases difficulties and does not solve them.

Today we see a serious division between the displaced and host communities, a rift that aggression seeks to expand. We must not allow him to eliminate the traditions of solidarity and brotherhood that have characterized us in the most difficult circumstances. Therefore, we call for:

1. Rejection of exclusion in all its forms: sectarian, class or political, and adherence to a comprehensive human vision.

2. Rejecting the stigmatization of victims: Anyone who suffers under bombardment or displacement is a human being to whom relief must reach unconditionally.

3. Adopting nonviolent dialogue: the only way to resolve conflicts resulting from fear and build bridges of trust.

The cruelty of this crisis should not distract us from its opportunity. It is an exceptional opportunity to reformulate a new social contract that transcends divisions and establishes the state of law and citizenship. We must work from today so that the "day after" of aggression is the real beginning of building trust and shared prosperity, no return to crises.

Mouvement Social: One humanity, one salvation journey