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Dear Feisal,

What a mess in today's world !! Until recently, I thought Lebanon was spared political and social unrest.

When Prince William of Orange, the founder of the Netherlands (in statu nascendi), was murdered in 1584 CE, his last words, according to the legend, were: 'Ayez pitié avec moi et avec mon pauvre peuple'

The 'lingua franca' in those days was French. 'Pity me and my poor people' is the English translation. This sentence comes into my mind, when I see the videos on the telly of the civil unrest in Beirut. These are domestic revolts, I assume in response to the soaring costs of the standard costs of living. The unrest in the surrounding countries must, without fail, have a negative impact as well on the well-being of the citizens of Lebanon. "Pauvre peuple", we sympathize with you.

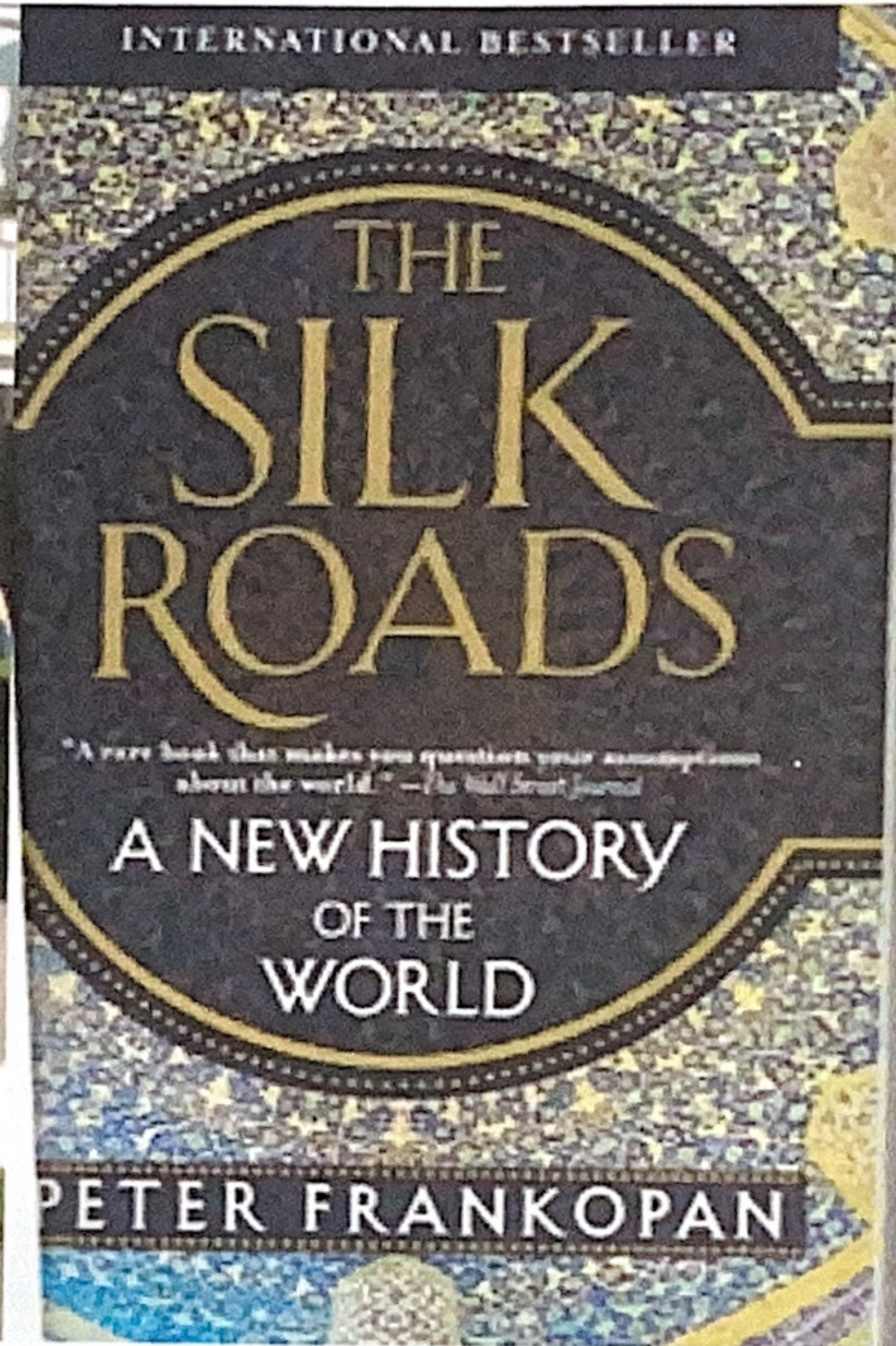
Another headache for May is the problem related to street revolts in Beirut. It is hoped that these will be resolved in time for the upcoming Marathon on 10 November. Feisal, do you have enrolled already to participate this year ?

Wish you all our love. The best thing to do is to stay healthy wealthy and wise ! Love to you and May, Vera & Adriaan

P.S.

Feisal do you have time to read an interesting book by an eminent English historian ? Peter Frankopean is his name

(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter_Frankopan)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kBpQiJt3MUQ>

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