

To: Faysal el Khalil; Sent by mail on 16th may 2022

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Dear Faysal,

Vera and I recently visited the Maritime Museum in Amsterdam. She enjoys the visit, but she cannot remember what she has seen because her short memory is failing her. The museum shows the historical 'Pomp and Glory' of the international seafaring of the Netherlands. Well that's enough information about Vera today,

The third picture is our roof terrace, where I can practice Candide's advice: 'Il faut cultiver son jardin'.

I am interested on the outcome of the yesterday's election in Lebanon. I hope that a new cabinet gets a political mandate from parliament to clean the Herculean-stable (read: Lebanon).

Incidentally, I believe that the long-term goal should be for Lebanon to become the Switzerland of the Middle East. This is of course not achieved overnight.

International conferences of government leaders during the next 10 to 20 years must be convinced that a sort of stable Switzerland in the Middle East will also benefit the countries in the Middle East.

Adriano dixit



