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From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
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Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: FW: Clarification Regarding IRCC's Special Measures and Crisis in Lebanon - REP-B-2025-0220 - Due 2-May-25
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Good day,
[redacted] **Immigration Representatives Mailbox.**
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Please see our response to your question.
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The temporary measures to support foreign nationals in response to the crisis in Lebanon are only available to Lebanese nationals and their family members **who are already in Canada on a temporary basis** and can't return home at this time.

To be eligible for facilitation under the temporary measures to support people affected by the crisis in Lebanon, clients must be:

- * *Lebanese nationals* in Canada with valid temporary resident status
- * foreign national family members of a Canadian citizen or permanent resident who
  - * **left Lebanon on or after September 29, 2024,** and
  - * are in Canada with valid temporary resident status
- * foreign nationals who are affected by the first-generation limit on citizenship as well as their foreign national family members who
  - * **left Lebanon on or after September 29, 2024**, and
  - * are in Canada with valid temporary resident status
- * people who left Lebanon with the help of the Government of Canada on or after September 29, 2024

A client must hold Lebanese citizenship to be considered a Lebanese national and thus be eligible for these temporary measures. A non-Lebanese client may be eligible for these measures if they meet any other eligibility requirement set out above.

For example, clients may be eligible if they arrive as foreign nationals (holding a nationality other than Lebanese) who are family members of Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada who fled Lebanon on or after September 29, 2024, due to the deteriorating security situation in the region. As per the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (IRPA), a foreign national means a person who is not a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident, and includes a stateless person.

Please note that similar temporary measures are available for Palestinian [redacted] and their family members.

For more information, please visit: Crisis in Lebanon - Canada.ca or Crisis in Israel, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip - Canada.ca.

Please note that the entry requirements are not waived under the above mentioned public policies. Holders of a foreign national passports from visa-required countries and stateless individuals need a visa to come to Canada, for which all standard eligibility and admissibility requirements would apply.

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Dear Officer,

My name is [redacted], I am a Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultant in good standing with CICC registration #:

IRCC has introduced special measures to respond to the recent conflict in Lebanon. I was wondering if Palestinian refugees in Lebanon who hold temporary Lebanese travel documents are eligible for the same measures similar to Lebanese passport holders.

Thanks.