

Larijani to Discuss Iraq-U.S. Relations with Nasrallah

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Iran's Parliament Speaker Ali Larijani heads to Beirut Thursday on a visit to Lebanon at the invitation of his counterpart Nabih Berri.

Larijani is to hold talks with Berri, Hizbullah chief Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah and Free Patriotic Movement leader Gen. Michel Aoun.

Larijani's talks, according to Lebanese and Iranian sources, would focus on bilateral relations, Iraq's future, the Palestine cause and Iran's relations with the Arab world in light of the "special ties" between Tehran and its Syrian and Lebanese allies.

The sources said Iraq's relations with the United States would be one of the "major strategic topics of discussion" between Larijani and Nasrallah.

The sources said Larijani would also meet President Michel Suleiman.

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