

Report: Hizbullah Awaiting Berri-Asiri Meeting for Clarification on Saudi's Remarks on Party

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Hizbullah has refrained from commenting on the recent Saudi Arabian remarks about listing the party as a terrorist group in anticipation of an upcoming meeting between Speaker Nabih Berri and Saudi Ambassador to Lebanon Ali Awadh Asiri, reported the daily An Nahar on Sunday.

It said that the speaker and ambassador are scheduled to meet on Tuesday.

Clarification over Riyadh's statements will be expected at the talks.

Meanwhile Berri has been exerting efforts to hold a meeting between Hizbullah and the Mustaqbal Movement of MP Saad Hariri.

Hariri's camp has reportedly met with Berri's aides in order to set the agenda of the expected dialogue between the party and movement.

The fact that these efforts have persisted despite the Saudi call is indication that the two sides are heading towards the path of dialogue without any obstacles in their way, said An Nahar.

Hariri's scheduled televised appearance next week will likely clarify a number of political issues, added the daily.

Saudi envoy Abdullah al-Muallemi had on Wednesday had called on the United Security Security Council to put Hizbullah on its list of "terrorist organizations";

Hizbullah on Thursday dismissed the call, shrugging it off as a "sonic bubble";

"The Saudi envoy's remarks at the U.N. Security Council served Israel's interests," the party's sources had said.

The development comes despite the fact that Hizbullah was not included in a recent Saudi terror list.

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