

1977 Report on Committee of Concern-
Lebanon

Since the establishment of the above committee on February 20, 1977, a number of meetings were held during the year to review the matters of concern to the committee.

1. Dr. Irma Fattal acted as a gracious hostess at her home to a group of area physicians who had indicated interest and sympathy for the committee's objectives.

The response, in terms of attendance and providing medical supplies was most encouraging and gratifying.

Substantial quantity of medical and related items were donated in a short time.

2. A parcel of medicine, twenty two pounds, was shipped to Beirut via Cyprus early in 1977. Since no acknowledgment was received from the addressee, we had to assume that the package never reached its intended destination.

3. We appealed to the local American Red Cross for assistance in sending overseas the quantity of supply on hand. Mr. Donald Hanna, the head of the local chapter contacted his headquarters in seeking ways and means to accommodate us. Unfortunately, because of rules and guidelines of the National American Red Cross regarding such matters, no avenue could be found for shipment.

4. In view of shipment of supplies being impossible, Mr. Hanna suggested that perhaps they could be of assistance if funds could be made available for transmittal via the Red Cross to a hospital in Beirut.

5. Two crates of supplies - 250-300 lbs.- are on hand in storage awaiting the time when shipment to Lebanon may be feasible.

6. On behalf of the committee I wish to thank the doctors and others who showed genuine concern and the generous supplies made available to the committee.

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