

Syria's Crisis Hits Lebanon
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Europe must work to prevent Assad's dirty war from unraveling the whole region.

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The car bomb that killed a high-ranking Lebanese intelligence official and at least two others here on Friday is a powerful reminder that Syria's conflict is heading toward a messy endgame for the region. Any hope that the impact of Bashar Assad's dirty war could be confined to a spillover of refugees has been dashed by the blast in the heart of the city's well-heeled Christian district. It could be the precursor to a new civil war in Lebanon.

The priority for foreign governments and diplomats must now be to separate the Syrian bloodbath from Lebanon's militarized inter-factional rivalry. ...

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