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# Statement by AUB administration

Beirut, Lebanon- 06/03/2015 - Faculty United, an independent membership group of academics, issued a statement this week expressing its views on the Labor Minister's foreign hires policy.

The administration of the American University of Beirut states emphatically that this association does not represent the official position of the University, and its members do not speak on behalf of the administration.

The University continues to work closely with the Ministry of Labor on all labor matters and follows Lebanese laws in this regard. The University recruits its administrative and academic staff according to the highest competitive standards, basing its decisions on their qualifications, regardless of their nationality, race, religion, or ethnic background.

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#### **Note to Editors**

#### About AUB

Founded in 1866, the American University of Beirut bases its educational philosophy, standards, and practices on the American liberal arts model of higher education. A teaching-centered research university, AUB has more than 700 full-time faculty members and a student body of about 8,000 students. AUB currently offers more than 100 programs leading to the bachelor's, master's, MD, and PhD degrees. It provides medical education and training to students from throughout the region at its Medical Center that includes a full service 420-bed hospital.

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