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Finance Minister Ali Hassan Khalil met with a delegation from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) headed by Christopher Jarvis, in the presence of Minister Khalil's advisor, Pr. Wassim Mansouri, to discuss joint issues between Lebanon and the IMF, including matters relevant to Article IV pertaining to the finance of cooperating states.

The head of the delegation highlighted the importance of adopting the State Budget shortly, the need for general reforms, especially those related to electricity, and the need to involve the private sector in the State's projects.

Minister Khalil discussed with the delegation the tax improvements and reforms included in the 2018 Budget, saying he is optimistic as to the adoption of this Budget as soon as possible.