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Caretaker Finance Minister Dr. Ghazi Wazni met with a delegation from Beirut Port Explosion Follow-up Committee of the “Strong Lebanon” parliamentary bloc headed by MP Nicolas Sehnaoui to discuss the need to urgently disburse the assistance funds allocated to those affected by Beirut Port explosion.

Minister Wazni also met with a delegation from the Regie Libanaise des Tabacs et Tombacs (Regie), headed by Nassif Seklaoui who informed him that the Regie has completed all the preparations needed to start receiving the tobacco produce as of 26/10/2020, with 10 committees receiving the tobacco produce in South Lebanon, followed by the North on 02/11/2020, then the Beqaa by mid-January 2021, until farmers finish from packing their produce.

Minister Wazni had previously signed the Regie’s proposal dated 30/07/2020 concerning the adoption of a new mechanism that allows to increase the farmers’ revenues by 50%, thus helping them overcome the harsh conditions witnessed by Lebanon.