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Caretaker Finance Minister Dr. Ghazi Wazni met with a delegation representing the Heads of Orders and Associations of Liberal Professions and including the Head of the Lebanese Order of Physicians, Sharaf Abu Sharaf, the President of the Order of Engineers and Architects, Jad Tabet, the Head of Beirut Bar Association, Melhem Khalaf, the Head of the Lebanese Dental Association, Roger Rebeiz, the President of the Order of Nurses, Myrna Doumit and the President of the Lebanese Order of Pharmacists, Ghassan al-Amine.

The meeting discussed the objection of liberal professions to Notice no. 114 issued by the Ministry of Finance concerning the issuance of invoices in Lebanese Liras (LBP) and levying taxes and duties in LBP. The Heads and Presidents of Orders and Associations requested their exemption from the mentioned Notice based in Article 17 of the Consumer Protection Law.

Minister Wazni expressed his understanding of these demands and stressed on his commitment to the Law, notably Article 17 of the Consumer Protection Law that exempts liberal professions.

The delegation requested that accounts of the orders and associations of liberal professions, mutual funds, pension funds and compensation and retirement funds be exempt from the National Solidarity Tax and Wazni confirmed his approval to their request.