

Fares donates Akkar building to government

BEIRUT: Former Deputy Prime Minister Issam Fares has donated a building to be used as a headquarters for General Security in his native Akkar. In a statement issued Thursday, Sajih Attieh, Fares' office director in Lebanon, said the move was intended to boost the presence of state institutions in this region, to help in people's [government] formalities and reduce the burdens of traveling long distances to meet their needs." The two-story building, which lies next to the Municipality of Beino, will be renovated and re-organized and provided with parking areas, the statement said. – *The Daily Star*