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BEIRUT (Reuters) - Saudi Arabia and Syria failed to reach a deal aimed at curbing political tension in Lebanon over the 2005 killing of Rafik al-Hariri, Lebanese Christian politician Michel Aoun said. The Saudi and Syrian initiative "has ended without a result," Aoun told a televised news conference. Saudi Arabia and Syria, powerful regional players who have traditionally backed rival camps in Lebanon, have worked since July 2010 to forge a compromise which would curb tensions over the UN-backed tribunal investigating Hariri's killing.

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