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Newspapers (9/1/2012)



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Author: Issam Abd al-Karim, Sahar Zahran and Muhammad Sharabi

Compensating Revolution Victims



Prime Minister Kamal Ganzouri started urgent steps towards paying the compensations for the revolution victims. Maspero victims will start applying their papers today, and those of Muhammad Mahmoud will apply tomorrow.

The reluctance in compensating the victims has created great uproar.



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 Author: News agencies

Washington Opens Communication Channels with the Muslim Brotherhood



AFP reported on the American Administration's fears of the Muslim Brotherhood's policies towards women, minorities and the Camp David treaty with Israel.

The report showed that the United State of America is seeking new communication channels with the Muslim Brotherhood.

Spokesman of the American Secretary of State Victoria Nuland had revealed Muslim Brotherhood's, reassuring promises about the Camp David. However, a Muslim Brotherhood leader denied Nuland's allegations.

Nathan Brown, professor of politics in George Washington University referred to some Muslim Brotherhood's "positive indications" to reassure Washington and welcomed dialogue. However, he stated that the conservative nature of the Muslim Brotherhood threatens the Camp David treaty and Copts' and women's conditions.

Shalabi Talhami, lecturer of politics at Maryland University, stated that the Muslim Brotherhood is trying to keep track of the Egyptian foreign policies.



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Author: Abd al-Jawwad Tawfee

The U.S.A Egyptian House Supports the Democratic Change in Egypt



A delegation of the U.S.A Egyptian House’s delegation to Egypt asserted its full support for SCAF’s and the government’s measures to realize the democratic change in Egypt and find solutions for the economical troubles.

The delegation met member of SCAF yesterday at the Ministry of Defense headquarters.



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Author: Jamal Abu al-Dahab, Sameh Lashin and others

Egypt Getting Ready for Revolution First Anniversary



Egypt is getting ready for celebrating the first anniversary of the January 25 Revolution.

The Muslim Brotherhood (MB) that it was about to issue a mutual communication with other political players in Egypt about the preparations and procedures of celebrating the first anniversary of the January 25 anniversary.

Al-Wafd party will participate in the celebration and the revolutionary players reject the MB's dominance on Tahrir square.

Dr. Abd al-Rahman al-Birr, member of the MB's guidance Bureau, stated many political parties signed the initiative while most of them are members of the Democratic Alliance.

Tareq al-Zumur, spokesman of al-Jamaah al-Islamiya announced the group's intention to participate in the rally to honor the martyrs and celebrate the great revolution.

Al-Zumur said the rally is to prove that the Tahrir Square symbolically approves the Parliament. However, the protesters would be back to Tahrir Square if the Parliament failed to meet people's ambitions.

Al-Zumur described the 6 April Movement as a marginal player that plans to defame the revolution.



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Author: Muhammad Hijab

Data of 470 NGOs Investigated



The Investigative authorities received the data of 470 NGOs amongst which 73 foreign organizations.

The Investigative authorities have probed secret accounts of a number of Egyptian and foreign NGOs and individuals.



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Author: Not mentioned

Tahrir Square Regains Calm



Tahrir Square regained the state of calm after clashes that had erupted between armed people, yesterday.

A number of the armed individuals tried to assault the protesters who were staging a sit-in.

The clashes affected the traffic flow downtown.



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Author: Atiya Abd al-Hamid and others

Elections Updates in al-Ahram



Advocates of the dissolved National Democratic Party threaten the Muslim Brotherhood members with death in Daqahliya.

13 candidates filed claims against the elections results in Qena.

The youngest MP Yusuf Abd al-Fattah al-Badri in Kafr al-Shaykh, 31 years old, announced his intention to nominate himself for the Speaker’s position at the People’s Assembly.

Five of the 16 new MPs in Menia were former MPs.

The physically-challenged accused the political parties and the High Judicial Elections Commission of isolating them.

Former American President Jimmy Carter is to arrive to Egypt, today, to follow up on the Egyptian parliamentary elections.

The Administrative Court ruled for the second time against Rami Lakah, preventing him from running the elections for his dual nationality.



Pages: 15
 Author: Hani al-Asmar

The International Road in Sinai Opens Again



Dozens of young people protested the elections results by blocking the international highway from Abu Rdais city to Sharm al-Shaykh.

The protest hindered the traffic. The police intervened with the tribes' leaders to end the protest that lasted for three hours.

A police officer was also stabbed to death in Tor Sinai.



Political Activists to be Questioned over Occupy Cabinet



Investigative judges, entrusted with probing the riot incidents that occurred outside the Cabinet HQ in December, will summon several political activists to quiz them over the events.

On Tuesday, Ayman Nour and Mamdouh Hamza will be summoned by the judges after one of the suspects arrested in relation to the events accused them of inciting violence against Army and Police Forces and attacks on the Scientific Academy and Cabinet HQ.

Imam of Omar Makram Mosque Mazhar Shahin, activists Nawara Negm and Tareq el-Kholi will be interrogated on Wednesday over similar accusations.



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Author: Hamdi Dabsh and Sara Noureddin

Advisory Council Forms Commission for Dialogue with Parties, MB



The Advisory Council formed a commission, to be authorized with forging dialogue with all political parties and powers, including the Muslim Brotherhood.

The commission aims at unifying visions of political movements on present issues and finding solutions to all problems, said sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

It will be made up of the council's members: Ahmed Kamal Abul-Magd, Mansour Hassan and Sameh Ashour, sources said, adding it is expected to be chaired by Hassan Nafea.

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Author: Mohsen Samaka

Moussa, Feltman Tackle Economic Situation in Egypt



Presidential candidate Amr Moussa met with visiting US Assistant State Secretary Jeffrey Feltman for talks on the situation in Egypt.

The meeting also took up the US role in supporting the Egyptian economy.

They also tackled the latest Palestinian developments and the situation in Syria and in the region.

Repeated in Al-Ahram (page 4)

Pages: 5

Author: Mohsen Samika

6 April Demands Handing Over Power on Jan. 23



The April 6 Youth Movement launched a campaign themed 'Preserve the Egyptian Army.'

In a statement, the group said the relationship between the people and the Army is robust and pivoted on mutual respect.

The SCAF was responsible for the tension between the Army and the people, the statement said, adding that SCAF members do not care about the image of the Army.

Efforts to mobilize the masses for the planned protests of January 25 continue, it said.

The protests will reiterate the demands of handing over power to the elected People's Assembly speaker or an interim president.

Repeated in Al-Shorouk (page 1); al-Dustour, page 3



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Author: Mostafa Abeedo

National Consensus Committee over the New Constitution



Yesterday, a number of representatives of political movements and parties agreed on the formation of a National Consensus Committee that would prepare the criteria for selecting Constituent Assembly members.

Tarek El-Khouly, 6th April media spokesperson, stated that FJP and al-Nour Party were invited but declined the invitation. They will be invited in all upcoming meetings, he added.

Abul Naga: US Funds Unauthorized Bodies in Egypt



Minister of Planning and International Cooperation Fayza Aboul Naga, announced that the USAID has given USD40mn to unofficial organizations in Egypt. Among those bodies were the Democratic American Institute and the National American Institute. Those organizations are unauthorized to work in Egypt, she added

The Egyptian Government had an agreement with the American Administration that any aid should only be offered to Egyptian organizations registered at the ministry of Solidarity and Social Justice.

Vote Count in Substations During Shura Elections



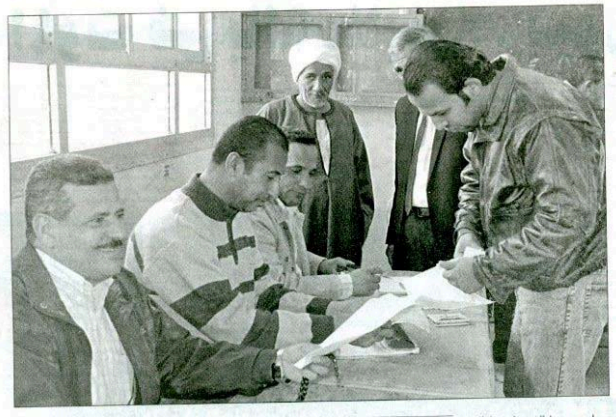
Abd El-Moez Ibrahim, head of the HEC, announced that the Higher Parliamentary Elections Commission will announce the People's Assembly results including the results of the three phases in the single and multi-member constituencies.

During the Shura elections, the vote count will take place inside the substations, he added.

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Authors: Abd El-Naby El-Shahhat, Heba Saeed (&others)

Gomhoria Elections Updates



Runoffs for expatriate Egyptians' voting in the third phase of the elections end today's evening. The Foreign Ministry has started receiving expatriates' ballot envelopes.

The Administrative Court is examining the first lawsuit demanding financial compensation from the SCAF head, HEC Head and the Minister of Justice for the violations committed in the elections. The lawsuit is filed by a candidate who was defeated in the elections.

Runoffs in Qalyoubia are held for 4 seats in the first, second and third constituencies.

In Tanta, FJP is celebrating the 4 parliamentary seats, they won.

Dozens of parties won no seats in the third phase of the elections and they blamed the lack of money for their loss. Some of them also blamed using religious mottos in their publicity.

In El-Wadi El-Geded, there is a fierce competition over the two individual seats.



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Author: Mohamed El-Sayed

Investigative Judges Summon Revolution Preacher



The two investigative judges appointed by the Ministry of Justice to examine Ministerial Cabinet Street clashes, Kasr El-Einy Street clashes and the burning of the Egyptian Institute summoned Revolution Preacher, sheikh Mazhar Shaheen, political activist Nawara Negm and 6th April Spokesperson, Tarek El-Khouly to listen to their statements on the allegations that they have incited riots and violence.

Tomorrow the judges listen to the statements of former Ghad Party leader, Ayman Nour, regarding his involvement in inciting the riots.



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 Author: Ahmed Abu Gabr

Dostour Election Updates



Tomorrow the last runoffs in the parliamentary elections will be conducted for 45 out of 50 individual seats. Head of the HEC, Abd El-Moez Ibrahim announced that only 5 individual candidates won seats in the first round. He stated that the turnout reached 63.2% in the multi-member constituencies and 62% in single-member constituencies. The electoral fact will be explained to the public in details, he added.

A number of candidates are starting a sit-in in front of the HEC, protesting the violations committed by the judges. Abd El-Moez said that the candidates are from South Sinai, and they have not received the results of this governorate.



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Authors: Hoda Abo Bakr, Hossam Khater (and others)

Elections Updates



The quotas of each party list in the new parliament will be determined within a few hours, after vote count of the three phases is completed. Head of the Higher Elections Commission Senior Judge Abdel Moez Ibrahim said that the final results of elections will be announced after the Commission prepare and review them. According to him, the results of the three phases of elections will be ready as soon as the runoffs take place, in addition to other constituencies that will witness re-elections.

Ibrahim said a number of judges will explain to the public the methods of calculating votes and dividing them over seats, particularly in relation to fractures in the percentages gained by party lists.

The Freedom and Justice Party gained the majority of votes also during the third phase of the parliamentary elections. They were able to gain 2.931 million votes, achieving 35% of total correct votes. Al-Nour Salafi Party also came out second during this phase with 27.5% of the votes, Al-Wafd came third with 9% of the votes, followed by the Egyptian Bloc 5%, Revolution Continues Alliance 3.6%, Freedom Party 3.6%, and the rest of the parties gained minor votes that reached 16.3% in total.

Ibrahim confirmed that the HEC will try to avoid mistakes and drawbacks that occurred during parliamentary elections in the coming Shoura Council elections. He said turnout of the third phase reached 62% in single-member constituencies and 63.2% in party lists in all nine governorates.

Front Page

Authors: Eman Abd Al-Moneim, Mahmoud Shaaban (and others)

Muslim Brotherhood Did Not Yet Determine Position from January 25



The Muslim Brotherhood is considering launching a new initiative on the celebrations of the first anniversary of the January 25 revolution. The executive office of the Freedom and Justice Party will hold a meeting, today, to discuss the matter. No one knows for sure when the final decision of the Muslim Brotherhood will be taken, most probably it will be taken on the last moment as they have done previously.

The initiative calls on party leaders to prepare celebration ceremonies for the day and agreeing on a timeline for handing over power. The MB put the condition that the initiative includes declaring that SCAF has already handed nearly 50% of its powers, represented in the legislative authority. They also stress maintain the dignity of the Armed Forces.

Sobhi Saleh, FJP leader, said the Muslim Brotherhood will celebrate the anniversary of the revolution in Tahrir Square and they will launch a dialogue with the rest of political forces and parties to discuss the different views on the new constitution. On the rights of martyrs and victims of recent clashes, Saleh said that “investigations are underway in the Mohamed Mahmoud St. and Ministerial Cabinet headquarters clashes. The leads in the case of organizations receiving foreign funds are pointing out to the ‘third party’ who is behind these events.”

Elections Updates in al-Yom al-Sabee



In the Runoff rounds of the third phase of elections to the People's Assembly, 90 candidates compete for 45 seats in nine governorates.

Fierce competition is reported between the Muslim Brotherhood and Salafis in all constituencies.

Elections will also be repeated in a number of constituencies in Alexandria, Sharqiya, Asyut and Aswan. The elections results had been annulled in those constituencies due to court rulings.



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Author: Not mentioned

Lawsuit Filed Against Ganzouri over Privatization Corruption



Director of the Egyptian Center for Economic and Social Rights Khaled Ali and political activist Hamdi el-Fakhrani filed lawsuits against the SCAF head, Prime Minister, Justice Minister and attorney general.

The lawsuit demands the four officials to start a probe into the privatization corruption cases revealed by a court recently.



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 Author: Aya Amer

Alexandria Criminal Court Chief Accuses Mubarak of Treason



There are two effective laws under which deposed president Hosni Mubarak can be tried for treason and disloyalty to the republican regime, said Chairman of the Alexandria Criminal Court Judge Fekri Kharoub.

Kharoub said he is currently drafting a complaint to be filed with the public prosecution to press criminal charges against the former regime under the two laws issued in 1956 and in 1958.

Mubarak is responsible for killing protesters during the revolution, criminally and politically, Kharoub said in a TV interview with Dina Abdel-Rahman on Tahrir TV.



TV Coverage (8/1/2012)



Program: Al-Hayat Al-An (News)
Channel: Al-Hayat
Host: Maha Bahnasy

The turnout in the third phase of the elections was 62%. Islamic parties lead the polls.

The results of South Sinai governorate were delayed.



Program: Masr Al-Gadeeda (Talk Show)
Channel: Al-Hayat 2
Host: Moataz Al-Demerdash

Presidential Candidate, Hamdeen Sabahy said:

We hope to achieve the demands of the revolution; freedom, social justice and doubling Egyptian national income.

The parliament has the right to review all budgets including the military budget.

The lack of political volition is the reason behind current lack of security.



Program: Misr Tantakheb
Channel: CBC
Host: Lamis Al-Hadidy and Khairy Ramadan

Expatriate Egyptians continue voting in runoffs of the third of parliamentary elections.

HEC Head, Abd El-Moez Ibrahim, said the full results are to be announced after the elections of delayed constituencies.

Expatriate Egyptians continue voting in the elections of the delayed constituencies.



News All Day
Channel 1" National TV"



According to Al-Masry Al-Yom Newspaper: The Muslim Brotherhood is trying to win over Wafd, and Reform and Development Parties, to rejoin the Democratic Alliance. They plan on winning the majority of votes that way.



Program: Yeseed Sabahak

Channel 2"National TV"

Host: Hazem Abu El-Sood and Ghada Abdol-Salam

Dr. Ahmed Abu Baraka, FJP Leader said, MB believes that Christians are our partners in this country; they have the equal rights and duties as well.



Radio Coverage (8/1/2012)



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Channel: Radio Masr

HEC assured that all the downsides of the previous phases will be avoided in the Shura elections. The vote count will take place in substations.



News

Channel: Al-Sharq Al-Awsat

HEC announced that runoffs for the third phase will start tomorrow morning.

HEC is holding the elections in the delayed constituencies tomorrow.



News Bar

Channel: Mega FM

HEC Head stated that the turnout in the third phase reached 62%.



Internet Coverage (9/1/2012)



Egyptian Cabinet

Cairo Security Director launched campaigns to end the unstable security conditions and arrest the outlaws.



Asmaa Mahfouz

Father of Martyr Mohamed Ramadan said on Al-Nahar Channel: If retribution did not take place, I shall wear an explosive belt and blow myself up in the nearest police station.

Mother of the martyr said: I will move directly to Torah prison to achieve retribution myself.

They can smear our reputations as much as they want. We shall never be afraid, silent or lose our dignity until truth and humanity prevail in Egypt.

Labor forces were one of the strongest reasons behind the overthrow of Mubarak.

I call on all workers of Egypt to strike and join our protests on January 25. Call them and encourage them to come!

AalamWassef

Dedicated to @Samiralbrahim4, a song I recorded March 9th 2011, after the beating, arrests and infamous virginity tests -<http://bit.ly/zNcfa3>

WaelAbbas

Army generals follow a strategy that involves saying ambiguous conditions so that people worry from change.

TE Data employees are protesting in front of their firm in Tahrir St. The company wants to lay them off and depend on outsourcing.

Iyad ElBaghdadi

The real hurdle in the way of less government is, who's gonna step in to cover the shortfall, once government has pulled back?



Making a social institution responsible for more than it can handle, ends up being unfair to both the institution itself and the society at large.

Thinking about doing an #ArabTyrantManual-like tweetup called #DebateForDouchebags.

Monasosh

I wish I could see a video that tells the stories of all those who go to Tahrir Square; students, doctors, sheikhs, street children, and unemployed people. They all die next to each other in Tahrir.

Many young men and women would stand strong if there are clashes against security forces but would run when they attack because many of them would rather die than getting arrested.

Ghonim

Today is our first day of work in the Masrena movement. The aim is to introduce the movement and our goal is to make it as decentralized as possible.

Gsquare86

I really cannot comment on April 6 initiative titled "To maintain our army!"

General strike for bread!

Organizing and coordinating a general strike is the only answer in my opinion. However, this is not easy and unfortunately reform approaches delay this action but still it could be achieved.



▪ Publication overview

❖ **Al-Ahram: Egyptian state-run official daily newspaper**

Founded in 1875, is the most widely circulating Egyptian daily newspaper, and the second oldest after al-Waqa'i`al-Masriya (English: The Egyptian Events, founded 1828). It is majority owned by the Egyptian government.

❖ **Al-Akhbar: Egyptian state-owned semi-official daily newspaper**

It was founded in May 1952 as a part of Akhbar El Yom.

❖ **Al-Gomhoria: Egyptian state-owned daily newspaper**

An influential state-owned Egyptian Arabic language daily newspaper. It was established in 1954.

❖ **Al-Shorouk: Egyptian daily independent newspaper**

Is a prominent Arabic newspaper published in Egypt U and several other Arabic nations It is a daily independent newspaper, covering mainly politics, militant affairs and sport.

❖ **Al-Masry al-Yom: Independent daily newspaper**

On 7 June 2004, it published its first edition. The paper initially circulated primarily amongst Cairo's intellectual elite, providing objective news coverage in the belief that good news would beat sensationalist reporting found in other Egyptian print media. After 3 years, it was challenging *Al-Ahram* for the status of being the national paper of record. Though

❖ **Tahrir: Daily independent newspaper**

❖ **Dostor: Daily independent newspaper**

❖ **Yom 7: Daily independent newspaper**



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