



# News Coverage

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## Newspapers (17/1/2012)



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Author: Muhammad Shuman

### Minister of Interior: We'll Stand up to Raids on Public Facilities



Minister of Interior Muhammad Ibrahim warned of bloody incidents on January 25, asserting that the Ministry would strictly deal with attacks against the public facilities.

Ibrahim said the January 25 was a national holiday for two occasions; first is the Police Day and the other for the January revolution.

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Author: Muhammad Hijab and others

## Elections Updates in al-Ahram



General Secretary of the Muslim Brotherhood's Freedom and Justice General Secretary Muhammad Saad al-Katatni is nominated to the Speaker's position.

Al-Wafd party refuses coordination with the Muslim Brotherhood in the Parliament.

Newly elected MPs promise to fight corruption.

Six candidates compete for three seats in Asyout's reruns today.

Low turnout is reported in Sohag's elections, where 39 polling stations opened late in Tema and seven did not open at all in Sohag city.

The Freedom and Justice Party wins the slates seats in South Sinai.



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Author: Hazem Abu Doumah

## Revolutionaries Call on MB Youth to Join Jan 25 Protests



The Egyptian Revolutionary Youth Coalition called on the Muslim Brotherhood youth to join them to resume the peaceful protests to continue the revolution. Amer al-Wakil, coordinator of the revolutionary youth warned those who will be in Tahrir Square to celebrate of being forced out of it.



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Author: Not mentioned

## Separating Between Religion and the State Creates Conflicts



Potential Presidential Candidate Abd al-Munim Abu al-Futouh argued that the separation between the state in Europe of the Middle Ages was for political reasons, adding that it led to the absence of values and morals, which resulted in bloody conflicts and bloody war.

Abu al-Futouh's argument was in the course of two conferences he held in the UN and the Arab League headquarters in Beirut.



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Author: Jamal Abu al-Dahab

## Mussa with Ban Ki-moon



In a conference held in Beirut under the title 'Reform and Transformation to Democracy', potential presidential candidate Amr Mussa discussed the situation in the region with the Secretary General of the United States Ban Ki-moon and Lebanese President Michell Smaha.

Amr Mussa is to give a speech today on how to make use of the democratic experience of other nations.



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Author: Muhammad Anz

### Obama’s Success Linked to Abu Ismail’s



Salafist Potential Presidential Candidate Hazem Abu Ismail said US President Obama’s success in the presidential elections was linked to his own success to reach presidency in Egypt.

Abu Ismail stated that if he succeeded in the presidential elections in Egypt, the Zionist lobby would support Obama for another mandate.



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Author: khaled abo el az

### Billion Pounds for NGOs



Investigations into the case of foreign funds offered to NGOs in Egypt continue.

Investigations have proven that foreign funds came mainly from Kuwait, Qatar, Iran and the United States.

A number of NGO's accounts suddenly reached billion US Dollars.

The Ministry of Justice approved the Minister of Justice's demand to investigate in the bank accounts of those NGOs and interrogate 57 of those who head them.

Judge Adel Abd al-Majid, minister of justice had received a report showing that the US Adid paid US\$240 million to fund NGOs in Egypt in addition to the IRI and NID who were proven unauthorized.

Sources revealed that the Minister of Justice had received reports that showed the sums of money donated to NGOs. 296 million Egyptian Pounds were transferred to the account of Muhammad Alaa Mubarak Association and the Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services (ECOSS): 86 million and 150 thousand Pounds were from the UAE on September, 2, 2011. Two days later 29 million and 200 thousand were transferred from an UAE organization and 450 thousand Egyptian Pounds from Qatar on April 2, 2011.

US \$ 31 million were transferred to American NID on March, 2011.

Caritas donated 155734633 to Muhammad Alaa Mubarak Association.

Investigations and interrogations continue.



### Baradei: I Will Not Quit Politics



Former chief of the International Atomic Energy Agency Mohamed el-Baradei told his supporters he would not quit politics despite withdrawing his candidacy from the presidential elections.

“I would always protect your back and help you re-organize your ranks to be able to participate actively in the political life,” Baradei told his campaign supporters.



Pages: 3  
 Author: Mansour Kamel

## Egypt Formally Asks IMF \$3.2bn Loan



The Egyptian government has started negotiations with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to support the state budget in order to close the deficit, said Planning and International Cooperation Minister Fayza Abul-Naga.

Egypt has asked the IMF to offer a \$3.2 billion loan to bridge the financial gap in the state budget, Abul-Naga said during a press conference following an IMF-government meeting.

Egypt has been resorting to such measures after the deficit in the balance of payments hit \$16 billion and EGP144 billion in the state budget or 8.7% of the gross domestic product, she said.

Repeated in Al-Dostour page 3



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Author: Yousri el-Badri

### SCAF Forms Media Commission To Offer "Truth"



The Armed Forces decided to set up a new body to be named the 'national military media commissio' to be assigned drawing up SCAF's media politics in the coming phase, Al-Masry Al-Yom learned.

The commission will be made up of 11 army chiefs, sources said.

It will also be tasked with assessing the media's performance and clarify confusions over any given incidents. It will provide media outlets and newspapers with true facts about ongoing events.



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Author: Yousri el-Badri and Gemma Sawra

## Spain Prosecution Agrees to Extradite Hussein Salem's Daughter



A Spanish court held a session on Monday to examine Egypt's request to extradite businessman Hussein Salem's daughter, Magda, over money-laundering charges.

The Spanish prosecution agreed to hand over Magda after the Egyptian side submitted all documents and evidence related to the case.

But the court will have the final say on the extradition request. Its decision is expected to be issued within days.

Another court hearing will be held on January 19 to decide on the extradition of Salem's son, Khaled.

Hussein Salem's hearing session will be held on February 9.

He is wanted by Egypt to stand trial, along with ousted president Hosni Mubarak, over corruption cases, which include the sale of Egyptian natural gas to Israel at below-the-market prices.

Repeated in Al-Dostour (page 1) and Al-Ahram (page 1)



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Author: Several journalists.

## Elections Updates



Former NDP member Al-Ghoul lost the elections in Qena.

Expatriate Egyptians in Kuwait vote in the re-run of delayed constituencies elections.

New Members of Parliament went to the People's Assembly building.

### Daqahleya:

Run-off will be a competition between FJP and an individual candidate.

### South Sinai:

FJP won 2 seats

Al-Wafd won 2 seats

Reform and Development won 1 seat

### Menya:

Mistakes in the Shura elections list of the Reform and Development Party.

### Menofeya:

FJP finalized their Shura elections candidates list.

### Al-Sharqeya:

Today is the run-off of the fifth constituency and the number of voters is 520.243.



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 Author: Tarek Roshdy

### FJP: Constituent Assembly Will Be All-Inclusive



Dr. Mohamed Morsi, Chairman of the Freedom and Justice Party (FJP) stressed that his party would make sure that the Constituent Assembly includes people of all political hues in order to represent all categories of the Egyptian people. He added that his Party won 47% of the parliamentary seats.



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Author: Mohamed Abd El-Salam Radwan

### **Israel: Sinai a Terror Hotspot**

An Israeli study stated that Sinai is quickly changing into a terror hotspot, and described it as a source of tension between Egypt and Israel. The study mentioned that the tension might end the already fragile bilateral peace. Jerusalem Post newspaper mentioned that Israel is facing growing demands since Mubarak's ouster to revise the Peace Treaty or redraft it.



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Authors: Mohamed Ouf, Ahmed Abu Gabr

### **Election Updates**

The Administrative Court in Tanta transferred 11 contestations filed by a number of candidates to the Cassation Court, for being outside its jurisdiction. The contestations demanded to stop result announcements in of the third electoral phase Gharbia in. The contestations were filed on grounds of violations and the presence of candidate names on both the single and multi-member lists.

Three contestations were filed in Daqahlia by FJP, Wafd and Nour Parties to cancel reruns in the first constituency.

Amr Gomaa, Deputy State Council Head, and head of a substation in Cairo's first constituency, revealed that the HEC committed a number of mistakes that might cancel the constituency's reruns as well. The commission added electoral characteristics to over 22 candidates, in addition to their original ones.



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 Author: Mohamed Mounir

## Dabaa Nuclear Plant Guarded by Popular Defense Committees



In a move that could resolve the situation, Field Marshal Mohamed Hussein Tantawi, Head of ruling SCAF, decided to compensate residents of Dabaa for their lands, which were confiscated by the state to establish the nuclear facility.

Matrouh's governor General Taha Mohamed El-Sayed said he will present a memorandum on the nuclear project in Dabaa and compensations to the residents to the Prime Minister during the next meeting of governors.

The Governor held a meeting, yesterday, with new members of the Parliament who represent the Matrouh governorate to discuss the crisis of the lands allocated for the Dabaa nuclear facility project, ways to calm the residents and compensate them, following the clashes that damaged some of the project's buildings.

Minister of Interior General Mohamed Ibrahim issued his orders to General Hussein Fekri, Chief Security Officer, to negotiate with Dabaa residents to resolve the crisis and inform them of Tantawi's decision.

Unknown armed group had attacked the site of the Dabaa project and stole of its contents. They blew up some of its buildings using dynamites and residents were unable to stop them. Some of the residents organized themselves in popular defense committees to guard the site in addition to police officers.

Repeated in: Al-Sherouk: Page 4; Al-Masry Al-Youm: 1; Al-Ahram: 1, 3; Al-Dostour: 3; Yom 7: 3.



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 Author: Mohamed Abd Al-Galil.

### MOI Warns Against Vandalism on January 25



“Any calls for violence, sabotage or violations of the law will be met with strict, deterring measures. The coming January 25 represents our national day that we should celebrate in a civilized way,” said Minister of Interior Mohamed Ibrahim during a visit to historical sites in the Pyramids.

He confirmed that the Tourism Sector is one of the most important resources of the Egyptian economy. The Ministry is working on restoring security and stability to provide tourists with a sense of security, he said.

Ibrahim said security will be restored in the country and his ministry is exerting efforts to support all security directorates around the country.

Revolutionary youth said Ibrahim is using the same terms of former minister of interior, Habib Al-Adli, had used before the January 25 revolution, as he had described calls for protests by being “calls for vandalism.” Members of Kefaya movement heavily criticized the statements of the Minister of Interior. They said these are the same words used by the former regime and that the minister is subordinate to SCAF and will rely on force to protect their regime.

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Author: Al-Shimaa Abd Al-Latif

### All Sheikhs of Al-Azhar Will be in Tahrir Square



The crisis of imams working in the Ministry of Endowments (Awkaf) has finally received the attention of officials of major religious institutions in Egypt. The imams held a meeting, yesterday, to agree on the demands they will present to Al-Azhar's Grand Imam Dr. Ahmed Al-Tayyeb and the Minister of Endowment Dr. Mohamed Abd Al-Fadil.

Imams said their demands included: Supporting religious institutions, standing for moderate interpretation of religion, organizing the status of mosques legally, guaranteeing the freedom of expression, re-evaluating the laws that organize their work in mosques, and reforming the work of preachers.

Imams organized a march from Al-Azhar's mosque to Al-Azhar University in which they chanted anti-SCAF slogans and demanded retribution for Sheikh Emad Effat who was killed during the cabinet headquarters clashes.

Al-Azhar's Grand Imam confirmed Al-Azhar's support to the revolution and the national role this religious institution has played throughout the history.



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Author: Mahmoud Hussein and others

### Continuing Revolution

**منشورات تعبئة بالإسكندرية والسويس وبنى سويف لـ25 يناير**  
 نقابة المحامين تدعو للنزول في يوم «تصحيح المسار».. وأبو كبير- تحمى نشطاء 6 أبريل  
 وشادى الغزالي: اعتصام مفتوح بالتحريير في حال عدم تلبية مطلب تسليم السلطة والقصاص للشهداء

كتب - محمود حسين  
 الإسكندرية - جفان مظهر

**«كاديبون» تعرض انتهاكات «العسكري» وبيانات تدعو للحفاظ على الجيش**  
 مصدر: محمد خليل

في الجيش العسكري ووزارة الداخلية...  
 في الإسكندرية...  
 في بنى سويف...  
 في السويس...

The Syndicate of lawyers called for staging demonstrations on January 25 to reform the revolution and put it back to the right track to achieve its goals.

the call comes amongst other calls by different political players to demonstrate and continue the revolution until all its goals are realized.



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Author: Not mentioned

## Moussa Tackles Arab Spring Issues with UN Chief and Lebanese President



Presidential candidate Amr Moussa held talks with United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon and Lebanese President Michel Suleiman on Arab Spring issues.

The talks were held on the sidelines of an international conference on reform and democratic transition in the Lebanese capital, Beirut.

The two-day event will take up the situation in the region in the aftermath of the Arab revolutions.

Moussa delivered an address to the conference on the importance of achieving social justice.



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Author: Mostafa Eid

## NGOs Involved in Foreign Funding Case Await Probe Results



Egyptian and foreign NGOs and human rights centers, whose premises were inspected by judicial bodies as part of ongoing probe into foreign funding, decided to await the results of the investigation.

The decision was made weeks after confrontations between the NGOs and investigative authorities.

President of the Budgetary and Humans Rights Observatory Helmi el-Rawi said the he agreed with other NGO chiefs to suspend legal actions they were planning to take against the authorities until the results of the ongoing probe come out.

They also decided to postpone a civil lawsuit against the justice minister over defamation, Rawi said.

The justice minister had announced in a press conference that some NGOs were proven to have been receiving funding from abroad although investigations have not ended yet, Rawi said.

Meanwhile, the investigative judges in charge of the case asked the Central Bank of Egypt to submit the financial reports of 15 NGOs.

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Author: Riham Seoud and Donia Salem

### April 6 Mobilizes Masses for January 25



April 6 Youth Movement activists distributed nearly 40,000 leaflets on the residents of several Cairo neighborhoods, urging them to join the planned million-people protests of January 25.

The protests will call for the departure of SCAF from power and handing it over the People's Assembly, lower house of parliament, whose first session will take place on January 22.

The leaflets also call on the people not to drag the Egyptian Army into direct confrontations with civilians, said the movement's political bureau member Enjy Hamdi.

Meanwhile, other revolutionary powers and youth groups called on the people to take to the streets on January 25 to be followed by million-people protests on January 27 in Cairo's Tahrir Square. An open-ended sit-in is expected to be staged afterward.



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Author: Mohamed El-Bahnasawy

### Tantawi's First Visit to Libya



In his second trip outside the country, SCAF Head, Field Marshal Hussien Tantawi, visited Libya, yesterday. The visit lasted for seven hours, during which he met with the Head of Libya's National Transition Council, Moustafa Abdul Galil. The Libyan leader expressed his gratitude to the Egyptian authorities for receiving and treating Libyans injured during February 17th revolution. The summit discussed the cooperation between both countries in various domains.

On Sunday, a high-level ministerial delegation arrived to Libya. It included the Ministers of Electricity, Education, Higher Education, Housing and Petroleum. Their meetings discussed bilateral cooperation in their respective fields and signed a number of agreements in this regard. Thirty Libyan engineers will visit Egypt to receive training. Egypt is connecting the electricity of the entire Western Libyan region that Qaddafi's regime destroyed during the revolution.

Libyan Prime Minister Abdurrahim El-Keib assured that Libya would facilitate the entrance of Egyptian workers. However, visa application and fees will not be cancelled.

Similar news was repeated in Ahram, page1; Yom 7, page 3; Tahrir, page 1



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Author: Deyaa Abul Safa

## Grand Azhar Sheikh Meets Wael Ghonim



Grand Sheikh of Al-Azhar, Ahmed al-Tayeb met with a delegation of revolution's youth, yesterday, headed by Wael Ghonim. The Grand Sheikh urged them to carry on their role in correcting the revolution's path stressing that Al-Azhar supports the revolution. "It does not take sides because its role is national and not political," he said.

Wael Ghonim said he believes in Al-Azhar's role in deciding the country's future. Ghonim said that their greatest concern now is SCAF's commitment to the timeline set for handing over power to civilians.

Advisory Council member Sherif Zahran responded saying that the Military Council is committed to handing over power to civilians on time and there are steps being taken already to achieve that.



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Author: Mohamed El-Feqqi, Ahmed Dawoud, Ahmed Abd El-Hamid

## FJP Nominates El-Katatny PA Speaker



Yesterday, six political parties met to agree over parliamentary procedures. The meeting included FJP, El-Nour, Construction and Development, Reformation and Development, The Egyptian Democratic and El-Karama parties. By the end of the meeting they all issued a statement that the party with the majority of seats in the Parliament shall nominate a Speaker which they will support. The following two parties shall nominate his two deputies.

FJP Chairman, Mohamed Morsy responded by nominating Mohamed Saad El-Katatny, FJP secretary general as People's Assembly speaker. El-Katatny said that the yesterday's meeting was a reflection to the will of the public.

Emad Abd El-Ghaffar, Nour Party chairman stated that his party has not yet decided a name to nominate as deputy.

Head of the Egyptian Democratic Party, Mohamed Abu El-Ghar announced that the meeting was not to forge a new alliance but an agreement over PA's procedures session.

Wafd party's executive office announced that it would not join any alliance with the FJP. The party justified will have its own independent parliamentary body.

A number of Egyptian Bloc parliamentary members rejected the nomination of El-katatny as the next People's Assembly Speaker. Tagamo' Party Parliament Member, El-Badry Farghaly believes "though FJP won the majority and has the right to nominate the speaker, but reality requires that the next speaker is chosen by consensus." Mohamed Abu Hamed, Free Egyptians Party member, said that FJP is acting as a new NDP.



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Author: Mohamed Abu Hamed

### **El-Fangary: Presidential Candidacy Mid-April**

SCAF member, Lieutenant General Mohsen El-Fangary stated that registration for presidential candidates would start on 15 April 2012. Presidential elections are expected to be held in June.

Presidential hopeful, Selim El-Awa, welcomed the statement, saying it is a good indication on ending the transitional period on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Hazem Salah Abu Ismail made a statement, yesterday, that was met with surprise, saying that if he won, the American Zionist Lobby will keep Obama as president for one more term, if he did not win the other candidate would become the president. He refused to further explain his statement, adding “this is planned out for the entire Arab region and not Egypt alone.”



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Author: Hesham Mubarak, Ahmed Abd El-Hamid

### **First Unofficial Parliamentary Session in American Chamber**

The American Chamber in Egypt organized the first unofficial parliamentary session. Representatives of a number of parties, in addition to a number of independent candidates, who won in the elections, attended the meeting. The session lasted for over three hours and tackled parliament members' economic and political visions.

Head of the US Chamber of Commerce, Gamal Moharam, stated that a meeting with Party representatives was meant to be held 45 days earlier but was delayed after the Mohamed Mahmoud Street clashes. The meeting aims to encourage American investors to enter the Egyptian market.

Mohamed Gouda, member of FJP's economic committee, stated "current Egyptian problems are bigger than the abilities of any single party and require cooperation." Gouda denied allegations that his party fights tourism, asserting that they aim at increasing the number of tourists to 50 million annually.

Nour Party representative refused to recite his Party's economic policy, says it was stated in details on their website. However, he believes that more attention should be paid to the country's poor.

Other representatives and candidates talked about their input on the economic and political status. Their statements regarding the economic situation carried many similarities.



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Authors: Khadiga Afify and Gawdat Eid

### **Mubarak's Attorney Starts His Pleading Today**

Pleading by defendants' attorneys will start today in Cairo's Criminal Court, as part of the (Trial of the Century), in which ousted President, Mohamed Hosny Mubarak, his two sons, Former Interior Minister Habib El-Adly, 6 of his aides and fugitive businessman, Hussein Salem are facing charges of killing peaceful protestors and corruption.

Farid El-Deeb, Mubarak's attorney, will start the pleadings, today, which will continue for five consecutive days. The Court's hearing sessions for Al-Adly's case will last for 6 days. Afterwards, the pleading of the rest of the defendants will continue until February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Fareed El-Deeb said he will take advantage of the 5-day period assigned for his pleading, adding that moral commitment obliges him to plead for El-Adly as well. "Defending him does not contradict defending Mubarak," said El-Deeb. He said that the Public Prosecution -despite being extremely capable- does not have enough evidence to accuse his clients. El-Deeb will not plead for Hussein Salem.

Similar news was reported in Shorouk p5; Masry Youm p3; Ahram Page1; Dostour page1



## TV Coverage (16/1/2012)



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

SCAF announces nomination for presidential elections will start on 15 April.

Democratic Alliance decided to nominate Mohamed Saad Al-Katatny for the Speaker's position at the People's Assembly, and decided that the two deputies would from al-Nour and al-Wafd parties.

Administrative Court in Mansoura annuls elections in the first constituency for the second time.

Candidates' supporters cut the railways in Upper Egypt, protesting the elections results.

**Program: Al-Hayat Al-Yoom (Talk Show)**  
**Channel: Al-Hayat**  
**Host: Lobna Assal and Sherief Amer**

### Guests:

Tahany Al-Gebaly, Vice President of the Supreme Constitutional Court

Salah Eissa, Journalist and Editor-in-Chief of Cairo Newspaper

Wael Khalil, Political Activist

Eissa said that by winning the majority of the parliament seats, Islamist parties excluded a very important group who took part in the revolution.

Al-Gebaly said Egypt was facing a critical phase and an enormous danger now, adding that the intelligence systems of several countries were seeking to abort the revolution.



**Program: Masr Tantakheb**

**Channel: CBC**

**Host: Khairy Ramadan**

FJP announced they will nominate Saad Al-Katatni as the next speaker of the People's Assembly.

Deputies of the speaker of the People's Assembly will be one from Al-Nour Salafi Party and the other from Al-Wafd Party.



**News All Day**

**Channel "National TV"**

All the Egyptian embassies continue to receive ballot papers for the elections of the delayed constituencies.

Results of the delayed constituencies will be announced.

Administrative Court decides that elections of the second constituency in Sohag are invalid.

The vote-counting process in the delayed constituencies continues.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is sending the results of elections of delayed constituencies to the HEC.

Voting was complete in Sohag's first northern constituency.

Elections of Sohag's second southern constituency will be held on January 16 and 19.



**News**

**Channel: ON TV**

Contestation filed by Al-Wafd in against results of elections of Menya's first constituency was delayed to February 6.

Ballot boxes closed after voting was complete in the first northern constituency in Sohag.



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**News All Day**

**Channel: Al-Shark Al-Awsat**

Major General Mohsen Al-Fangary, SCAF Member, said nomination for the presidential elections will begin in mid-April and the presidential elections will be held in mid-June.

FJP announced they will nominate Saad Al-Katatni as the new speaker of the People's Assembly.



**News All Day**

**Channel: Al-Shabab w Al-Reyada**

Today is the run-off of the first constituency in northern Sohag after Administrative Court decided that previous runoffs were invalid.

**News All Day**

**Channel: Al-Barnameg Al-Am**

Some Egyptian embassies continue to receive ballot papers for the elections of the delayed constituencies.

Citizens will vote today in the run-off of Sohag's first northern constituency



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## Internet Coverage (17/1/2012)

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### We are all Khaled Saeed

A link to an article from Shorouk newspaper headlined 'Presidential Elections First':

The article explains the path people agreed on when they voted yes in the constitutional amendments referendum. According to this, the constitution will be drafted after presidential elections.

Presidential authorities will be the ones written in the constitutional declaration. We can elect a president in the first week of April because it is almost impossible to have a constitution by June like Tantawi said.

No revolutionary constitution should be drafted in 30 days only, if that was the case why did we wait a year and a half before drafting it.

From this page on January 16<sup>th</sup> 2011: Two days only after we called people to take to the streets and join a revolution against injustice, unemployment, torture and corruption, over half a million responded to the page's event and over 27,000 confirmed.

The people let go of their ideological differences and decided -without any prior agreement- to join hands to achieve their goal; bring down the dictator.

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### Egyptian Cabinet

Al-Ganzory meets with a delegation from IMF.

Head of Roads and Bridges Institute said, Ministry of Transportation met with representatives of drivers of heavy goods vehicles and succeeded to end their sit-in and fulfill their demands.

Ministry of Petroleum: today we conducted 100 campaigns on petrol stations and we found 4 stations that didn't want to sell diesel fuel to cars and immediately these stations were closed and their shares of the fuel were divided and given to other stations.

Minister of Interior said:

I urge the citizens to help us in ending the security chaos and the supply related violations to help us detect any violations by calling the following numbers - 27921390 (27947604 or contacting security directories and police stations in all governorates.



Egyptians will celebrate two national holidays on the same day, January 25 Revolution and the Police Holiday, and the celebration should be a civilized one. The Ministry's celebration of the Police Holiday will be just symbols for the sake of the revolution's victims' families.

He urges all the tourists to visit Egypt, he said the Ministry is exerting efforts to spread security and there is no need for concern.



### Asmaa Mahfouz

They are fighting us with the same methods by letting us get involved too much in the details. They want to distract us in trivial things instead of focusing on our main cause.

### Ghonim

"To the army: Return to your barracks" 150.000 Egyptians said it in February 1954 in a march from Cairo University, and today we will say it again.

A picture for a taxi that placed one of Masrena's slogans on his car.

### Monasosh

We glorify martyrs but there are people among us who think of confrontations with security as a way to mobilize supporters. Death in itself should not be our goal!

Cabinet headquarters clashes were a real nightmare. Blood was spilt so easily and many people lost their lives or were injured.

### Arabist

"New on Arabist: A sister on the Brothers <http://arb.st/xR4zAx>"

"Major Tunisian Secular Parties Announce Merger: Tunisia Live:<http://bit.ly/zbVwgd> Egyptian liberals take note."

### iyad\_elbaghdadi

"Rule of thumb re public figures: If my father's generation really likes him, chances are I really mistrust him. #ArabSpring"

"Statement from #Benghazi in support of #Tahrir and against #SCAF, including Tantawi's visit: <http://bit.ly/wd372t>"

"I heard reports of protests in #Benghazi against Tantawi's visit, any videos or photos?"



### Wael abbas

The General Intelligence is playing tricks on us. They are behind all the crises and rumors that spread in Kobri Al-Qobba district.

The Ministry of Interior told petrol stations to sell diesel fuel only at night!  
<http://www.almasryalyoum.com/node/604346>

The Ministry of Interior is behind the diesel fuel crisis because they gave orders to petrol stations to stop selling to people.

### Aalam wassef

“Excellent piece by @khalidabdallaEgypt's revolution has been misread  
<http://gu.com/p/34ytx/tw>”

### Gsquare86

“Romanians are back on the streets demanding change!”

“Do u really believes we live in anything but a jungle when u has SCAF running over its citizens with tanks and stripping girls?”

“Another wave of labor strikes and public discontent over corruption and shortage of butane tanks and fuel, the poor are rising for a better life.”



### **Muslim Brotherhood site**

### **Profile of Dr. Mohamed Katatni, FJP's Nominee for Parliament Chairman**

Dr. Mohamed Katatni, Secretary General of the Freedom and Justice Party (FJP), was announced today as FJP's nominee for the People's Assembly Chairman Position.

On the eve of Egypt's historic revolution, last January 28, Katatni was detained by Mubarak's state security together with Essam El-Erian and Mohamed Morsi, the current leaders of the party that garnered most seats in the first parliamentary elections following the revolution. Previously the leader of Muslim Brotherhood parliamentarians, Katatni is renowned for his moderate stances in the Parliament. He never went overboard with his objections during parliament sessions and continued to keep the country's best interest in mind.

After the announcement of his win in the parliamentary seat in Minia, Katatni recalled the ironic twist after former NDP member Ahmed Ezz sarcastically prayed during the last parliamentary session that they (the NDP) succeed to take over the Muslim Brotherhood's places. Ezz's prayer could not have been more precise; the MB members were released from jails



and the NDP and former regime affiliates responsible for oppressing a nation for over 30 years, are in fact sitting in their places, however, in jail.

It is without doubt that Katatni with his administrative expertise will successfully lead the Democratic Alliance (DA), which succeeded in securing more than 45% of the seats in the first elections held after the revolution. Together and in coordination with all the newly elected parliamentarians the new Parliament will succeed in accomplishing all that the toppled regime continued to prevent them from achieving during the 2005 term. Under the new Parliament, FJP MPs hope that Egypt's glory will be restored, and it will once again rise and be a leading nation in the region and the world.

Born on April 3, 1952, Katatni graduated in 1974 from the Faculty of Science and earned his Doctorate in Science in 1984. He later worked as a Professor teaching Microbiology in Botany at the Minia University and then became chairman of the division from 1994-1998. He earned a degree from the Faculty of Arts majoring in Islamic Studies in 2000 and was voted secretary general for the Minia's university's teaching committee, a post he kept from 1990-2006.

Katatni supervised over 21 research studies for Masters and Doctorates theses in the field of Botany, and has written 36 published research papers on plant diseases and microbiology. He is a member of the Egyptian Association of Plant Pathology, and a member of the Assembly Plant of Egypt, and Member of the Egyptian Society of Natural Toxins, and was a member of the Association for General and Applied Microbiology, before being elected as Secretary General of the Scientists Syndicate from 1984 to 1993. He was then elected chairman of the Scientists Syndicate in Minia.

Katatni emerged onto the political landscape after joining the Muslim Brotherhood to become a leading founder of the organizing committee between all political factions and syndicates. He later became chairman of the MB administrative office in Minia and was later elected MB's MP in 2005 in the Bandar district in Minia. He was also later elected leader of the MB parliamentary bloc, and then was elected a member of the MB's Guidance Bureau, and was later chosen by the group as its media spokesman. Katatni represented the Egyptian Parliament in numerous international conferences including a conference in Nairobi Kenya, in 2006 and another at the Organization of the Islamic Conference. He is a co-founding member of the Arab Organization of Parliamentarians against corruption, and a member of the monitoring and steering group of the Parliamentary Reform Programme which is supervised by the Westminster Foundation in Britain.



### **Press Statement on the Meeting of the MB's Shura Council**

The General Shura Council of the Muslim Brotherhood (MB) convened its second regular meeting (the fifth since the revolution, so far) in its fourth session (2010 - 2014) on Saturday, 14 January 2012, with the presence of 108 Shura members (i.e. 87%), and decided the following:

The Shura Council agreed unanimously to authorize MB Guidance Bureau to consult directly with the Freedom and Justice Party (FJP) in order to take all appropriate actions in the transition period, with regard to interactions between the People's Assembly and the government, underlining the need to take responsibility and translate the people's trust in the MB and the FJP into real deeds.

Dr. Mohamed Taha Wahdan has been elected as a member of the MB Guidance Bureau, to replace Saad Al-Husseini, as the latter was elected member of the FJP's Executive Office.

#### ■ 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 [\[1\]](#) 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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