



# News Coverage

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Authors: Ahram Correspondents

### Egyptians Reject Civil Disobedience



On the anniversary of Mubarak's ouster, opinion is divided between those supporting a general strike and others who see it a downward spiral towards civil disobedience. However, almost all political forces reject the calls for a civil disobedience.

Islamic forces rejected both; strikes and civil disobedience, for their gravity on the state's economy. While, Independent Workers' Movements continued to mobilize for the day, after the Official Workers' Union refused to join. The Revolution Continues Coalition and Revolution Youth Coalition announced they support calls for strike but not civil disobedience.

FJP officials also called on protesters to reject what they described as "destructive appeals." Dr. Mahmoud Hussein, MB Secretary General, asserted that the group does not support calls for civil disobedience on Saturday, February 11. He urged all Egyptians to double their work efforts and positive endeavors to help build, not destroy, the state. Al-Azhar decried civil disobedience calls describing them as "inconsistent with the Islamic teachings."

Similar news was reported in Masry Youm (p.1, 4, 5); Gomhoria (p.4, 13); Dostour (p.4); Tahrir (p.4, 5); Shorouk (p.5, 6); Yom7 (p.2, 4); Akhbar (p.3, 10).

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Authors: Not Mentioned

## Egypt's Military Warns of Plots on Eve of Strike



On Friday, SCAF warned of plots to incite sedition and drive a wedge among Egyptians. "Egypt is facing plots that seek to thwart our revolution through driving a wedge between the people and the Armed Forces," said SCAF's statement.

"We are facing conspiracies against the country to undermine the State institutions. The ultimate goal of these plots is to bring Egypt to its knees and spread chaos." The council vowed to stand up to these plots. The Armed Forces "will not give in to any threats, will not bow to pressure, or accept dictations," it said.

"We are keen on wrapping up the transitional phase and handing over power to an elected, civil administration," it said.

Similar news was reported in Akhbar p. (3)



Page: 1, 3, 17  
 Author: Ahmed Morsy

## Foreign Funding Investigations Reveal Plots to Divide the Country



Ahram sources came to know that the investigative judges appointed by the Ministry of Justice in the case against Civil Society Organizations are revealing within days crucial information, regarding the funding of religious organizations. Current investigations prove that religious organizations in Egypt received millions of dollars in funding from a number of countries.

A judicial source told Al-Ahram that maps collected from NGOs' offices during last December raids, depict the state borders without Halayeb and Shalatin. Other maps showed plans of dividing the country in to four states: the Canal, Upper Egypt, Greater Cairo, and the Delta.

According to the Egyptian General Intelligence, those maps resemble the ones collected by the Sudanese authorities from the International Republican Institute office in Khartoum. The maps in Khartoum had depicted the country divided to two states prior to the country's division.

The judicial source said that suspects in the case against American and German organizations would stand trial before their ordinary judge; authorities will not resort to any special or extraordinary measures. The travel ban decision on them will remain effective until the end of the trial, the source added. This is a judicial ruling that cannot be contested in front of the State Council.

The exact description of the case is "a criminal case that affects national security," said the source. The suspects were not involved in civil or charity work but political one, which is illegal as civil society organizations are not allowed, under Egyptian law, to participate in the political life. The source called any measures taken by the American administration as "lacking credibility and respect for the sovereignty of the state."



On page 3, Ahram reports Wikileaks revelation that US Secretary of State, Hilary Clinton, was involved in funding organizations and activists in Egypt.

The website included telegrams personally approved by Hillary Clinton in 2009, allowing organizations to provide funds for Egyptian ones in a manner akin to money laundering.

The cables included a secret telegram under the number "STATE38619" by Clinton on 18 April 2009, classified as a confidential document by the Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Eastern Affairs, Jeffrey Feltman. The Document says the policy is to transfer U.S. funding for Egyptian political groups through front organizations, like non-governmental or international organizations in the form of "grants from the subcontractor."

The pro-transparency site mentions another telegram sent on February 26, 2009 under the number "CAIRO353." The telegram includes a suggestion by U.S. Ambassador to Egypt, then Margaret Scobey, to change the path of fund transference from the U.S. government, to first pass through front organizations after the Egyptian authorities accused Washington of interfering in internal political affairs.

On page 17, the newspaper published the text and exact wording of the accusations against American and German organizations in the foreign funding case.

Similar news was reported in Masry Youm (p.11); Dostour (p.1); Tahrir (p.7); Akhbar (p.17)

### Hundreds Protest Military Rule on 'Friday of Departure'



Thousands participated in Friday’s marches demanding a swift handover of power and ending military rule. While, opposing rallies were staged to support the military, resulting in minor clashes between both sides.

In Cairo, marches started from Shubra, Nasr City, Ramses Heliopolis, Matareya and Hadayek El-Qobba heading towards the Ministry of Defense demanding the Military Council to hand over power to a civilian authority.

Protestors were unable to reach the Ministry’s headquarters after the military tightened security around the Defense Ministry , the council’s headquarters, in anticipation of the marches. A number of armored vehicles were deployed, barricades and barbed wire were placed in front of Ain Shams University, which is located on the same street as the ministry.

In addition, dozens of Abbaseya residents gathered in the streets leading to the Ministry. They formed human shields to prevent protestors from getting closer, chanting “The Army and The People are One Hand.”

In Tahrir square, hundreds gathered to mark “Friday of Departure” participating in the protests against military rule. On Wednesday, 60 political parties and movements announced their intention to participate in the demonstrations, calling on SCAF to fulfill the objectives of the revolution and speed up the timetable for the transfer of power to an elected president.

Similar news was reported in Ahram (p. 4); Gomhoria (p. 2); Tahrir (p. 1, 2, 3); Dostour (p. 1, 5); Shorouk (p. 1, 4); Yom7 (p. 1, 5); Akhbar (p. 6, 7)



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Author: Hamdy Dabsh and Hany El-Wazeery

### MB Ready to Form National Coalition Government



Muslim Brotherhood Spokesperson, Mahmoud Ghozlan revealed that the Brotherhood has proposed on the ruling Military Council to form a coalition government, and now they await SCAF's response.

The most prominent candidate for heading the government is the Deputy of MB's Supreme Guide, Khairat El-Shater, despite his refusal to assume any governmental posts.

Chairman of Nour Salafi Party, Emad El-Din ABd El-Ghafour called that the incumbent military-appointed cabinet be sacked, as it has failed to reform the deteriorating security and economic situation in the country.

Similar news was reported in Dostour (p. 1, 3); Yom7 (p. 1, 7)



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 Author: Karem Abu Hussein

## Port Said Fact-Finding Committee Holds Fans Responsible



One of the members of the People’s Assembly fact-finding committee over Port Said massacre revealed that the committee’s report considers the masses and fans in the stadium most responsible for the riots. The report accuses security agencies in charge of securing the game of negligence and dereliction, as they received information of plotted riots prior to the game, however, they did not cancel it.

Similar news was reported in Gomhoria p. (3)

### Congress Delegation to Visit Egypt This Week



A Congress delegation is to visit Egypt this week. Senator John McCain of Arizona, the top Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee, said he would accompany the delegation to discuss the aid issue. McCain said talks with Egyptian officials would tackle the aid to Egypt and the rift between both countries. Yesterday, Senator Rand Paul took to the Senate floor to announce his intention to introduce an amendment for cutting off the \$1.3 billion given to Egypt annually in foreign aid until illegally detained American citizens are released.

US State Department expressed its disappointment over the accusations directed at Americans working in Egyptian NGOs.

Similar news was reported in Tahrir p. (1); Yom7 p. (1)



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 Author: Emad Khalil

### MP Threatens To Tender His Resignation



Eight Coptic Families were forced out of their houses in Alexandria. MP Emad Gad called for an urgent interpellation in this regard in the People’s Assembly.

Gad threatened to tender his resignation from the Parliament after PA Speaker; Mohamed Saad El-Katatni ignored his request.

“There are over 70 MPs supporting this request,” Gad adds, “The PA Speaker cannot choose what to discuss in the Parliament.”



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 Author: News Agencies

### Egypt Bars British Woman from Leaving Country



Egyptian authorities barred a British woman from leaving Egypt on Friday because she is on a list of foreigners under investigation over ties to foreign nonprofit groups accused of fomenting unrest in the country, an airport official said.

The airport official said the woman was ordered off a London-bound plane in Cairo, but was not arrested. There was no immediate comment from the British Embassy. The woman joins a list of at least 10 foreigners, including six Americans, who have been barred from leaving the country as part of the criminal investigation.

Similar news was reported in Gomhoria p. (3)



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Author: Mohamed Ismail

## Shura Elections Second Phase



Judge Amr Roshdy, Egypt's Foreign Ministry official spokesperson, announced that the HEC opened the door, Thursday, for expatriates to cast their votes in the second phase of the Shura elections. The voting process will continue until Monday.

Over 130 Egyptian embassies and consulates abroad are prepared for receiving the ballot papers of expatriates' votes, whether delivered by hand or through mail. The vote counting process will take place inside the embassies and consulates in the presence of candidate representatives.



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Author: Khaled Amin

## In Mubarak Trial, Defense Arguments End Thursday



After 42 court sessions, Cairo's Criminal Court headed by Judge Ahmed Refaat, concludes hearing defense arguments next Thursday, in the trial against ousted President Hosni Mubarak, his Interior Minister, Habib El-Adli, and his aides.

After Thursday's hearing, the court will listen to the prosecution's response to the claims raised by the defendants. The prosecution plans on submitting its comments regarding killing protestors, profiteering, illegally exploiting influence for personal gain, and exporting gas to Israel to the court in a written form. All memos presented to the court by both the prosecution and defendants will be included in the case file.

In today's session, the court is set to hear defense arguments by lawyer Khaled Soliman, representing former State Security Head, Hassan Abd El-Rahman. Abd El-Rahman is accused of negligence.

### IMF Spokesperson Denies Meeting SCAF Delegation



Jerry Rice, director of the external relations department at the International Monetary Fund (IMF), denied attending any meetings with the Egyptian Military delegation that visited Washington last week.

World Bank chief, Robert Zoellick said he expects "tensions" as Egypt requests aid from the international lender, which in turn, would demand progress on governance and democracy. "They're reaching out to us, to try to see about financial support," Zoellick said, mentioning that Egypt's foreign reserves have fallen by more than half since the 25 January uprising began early last year.

He says he would wait until MB plans in running the country are clear, MB's political party took the majority of seats in the newly elected lower house of Parliament.

Similar news was reported in Tahrir (p. 7); Shorouk (p. 3); Yom7 (p. 3)

### Local Development Minister: Civil Disobedience Calls Are Destructive



Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Local Development, Mohamed Attia, expressed his total rejection of the calls for strike and civil disobedience intended to take place on the day marking Mubarak’s ouster, describing such calls as “destructive.”

Commenting on the army’s status in the constitution, Attia said, the constitution of 71 fits Egypt best with decreasing the authorities of a president in it.



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Author: Mohamed Tawfiq

## SCAF Challenges FJP



A disagreement between the ruling Military Council and the Muslim Brotherhood (MB) came to the surface, after FJP, MB's political arm, announced forming a coalition government and to replace Kamal El-Ganzouri's. A Military source denied the news assuring that El-Ganzouri's government has not tendered its resignation. The government will stay in charge until the end of June, the source added.

FJP's negotiations over the new National Coalition Government are put into effect as the Party started to meet other parties with Parliamentary representation to discuss their ministerial portfolios in the new government.

Similar news was reported in Shorouk p. (1); Akhbar p. (3)



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 Author: Amira Ibrahim

## US Military Delegation Arrives to Egypt



US Military Delegation arrived to Cairo yesterday. The visit was planned a long time ago and is not part of the discussions between both countries over the NGO funding accusations.

However, the Pentagon said that if the problem was not solved before the delegation's arrival, it would demand discussing the matter with the Military Council as the country's de facto ruler.

General Martin Dempsey, US Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, heads the delegation. Dempsey is to meet Sami Anan, Egyptian Armed Forces Chief of Staff, to discuss the military cooperation between both countries, and SCAF Head, Mohamed Tantawi, to find ways for resolving the political tension.

Next week, a delegation from the US Congress will also visit the country.

Similar news was reported in Shorouk (p. 1)



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 Author: Mohamed El-Shenawy

## US State Department: SCAF Not Responsible For NGO Raids



U.S. Deputy Secretary of State, William J. Burns conducted a numbers of calls with Congressmen informing them that the Egyptian Supreme Council of Armed Forces (SCAF) was not behind the raids on American NGOs in Egypt. He added that the Council is not in charge of accusing American citizens with violating the Egyptian law, or referring them to Cairo's Criminal Court.

The US embassy in Cairo mentioned in its reported that the Military Council was surprised to hear about the raids on December 29, 2011.

State Department Spokeswoman, Victoria Nuland, said there is hope for reaching a political solution for the matter.



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Author: Mostafa Fathi

## Officers Accused of Torture Stand Trial Tomorrow



Alexandria Criminal Court, headed by Judge Mohamed Mostafa, starts tomorrow its first session in the trial of five former officers from the dissolved State Security who are accused of torturing Sayed Belal to death to force a confession out of him.

Sayed Belal was a young Salafist held by police on suspicion of being involved in the New Year's Eve bomb attack on the Two Saints Church in Alexandria.



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Author: Ahmed Mostafa, Reem Abd El-Hamid

### NDI Trained MB and Salafi Candidates



Director of the National Democratic Institute’s North Africa programs, Barrie Freeman, currently charged with politically interfering in the country’s internal affairs, stressed the institute’s independence from the US administration that funds it.

She said, “We trained thousands of candidates, hundreds of them belonged to the Muslim Brotherhood and Salafi groups,” adding “we did not finance any revolt.”

In response to Freeman’s statements, Nour Party Spokesperson, Mohamed Nour, stated that he could not deny that a number of the Party members were trained by the NDI in managing electoral campaigns. However, those training programs were informal and were considered individual efforts, he added.



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Author: Mohamed Haggag

### Al-Gama'a Al-Islamiyah Demands Drafting the Constitution First



Al-Gama'a Al-Islamiyah and its party, Construction and Development, demanded shortening the transitional period, while drafting the constitution before electing the new president.

Al-Gama'a Al-Islamiyah Spokesperson proposed a roadmap for the transitional period; presidential candidature should be opened on March 10. The People's Assembly should start forming the committee that will set the criteria for Constituent Assembly members nowadays. A parallel committee should be formed to draft the proposed constitution. Both committees should finish their work by the end of February.

Drafting the constitution, according to Al-Gama'a Al-Islamiyah's road map, should be concluded in one month; by the end of March. Presidential elections would be held on May 10, with the new president assuming power on May 20.



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Author: Ahmed Mamdouh

### Mubarak Accused of High Treason



Mohamed El-Omda, Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee deputy, is handing the PA Speaker a memo that proposes accusing Former President, Hosni Mubarak, with High Treason under 1956 law. The PA should form a committee that includes five Parliament members who would be responsible for the investigations.



## TV Coverage (10/02/2012)



### **1- Program: Al Hayah Al Youm**

**Genre: Talk Show**

**Channel: Al Hayah TV**

**Hosts: Lobna Asal, Sherif Amer**

25 demonstrations arrive at the Ministry of Defense to call for the handing over of power.

40 movements and parties respond to calls for a civil disobedience.

Troops spread to secure vital locations.

The Muslim Brotherhood suggest forming a salvation government and waits for SCAF's response.



**Channel: CH 1**

**Program: Incidents in 24 hours**

**Time: 25:00:00**

SCAF warned of plots that aim to sow sedition between people and the armed Forces.

Demonstrations in front of the Ministry of Defense, calling for a soon handing over of power to a civil authority.

Demonstrations in Tahrir Square calling to resume the revolution.

**Program: News headlines**

**Time: 17:00:00**

A military source denies the resignation of PM Ganzouri and asserts that the cabinet will stay until the handing over of power as scheduled.

**Time: 27:00:00**

The majority of economic and service institutions reject the strike.

**Time: 26:00:00**

The Freedom and Justice Party and al-Wafd Party reject the calls to strike.

18 political movements reject calls for civil disobedience.



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**Channel: CH 2**

**Program: Yesed Sabahak**

**Broadcaster: Sara al-Hilali and Ahmad al-Sawi**

The Presidential Commission sets the final procedures for presidential elections next week.

The percentage of voters' turnout in the first phase of elections to the Shura Council is 6.5, Abd al-Muizz Ibrahim declared.



## Radio Coverage (10/02/2012)



**Program: News Bulletin**

**Channel: Radio Misr**

Demonstrations in Tahrir Square call for resuming the revolution.

(News, Radio Masr, 23:00)

A military source denies news about Ganzouri's resignation and confirms the timetable to hand over power.

(News, Radio Masr, 23:00:00)



**Program: News Bulletin**

**Channel: Al Sharq Al Awsat**

SCAF warned of the plots that sow sedition between the people and the Armed Forces.

(23:00:00)

Demonstrations in front of the Ministry of Defense to call for the handing over of power to a civil authority.

(23:00)

The Salafi Call Association rejects the calls for civil disobedience.

(News, al-Sharq al-Awsat, 23:00)



## Internet Coverage (11/02/2012)



### We are all Khaled Saeed

Egyptian state TV: The Ganzouri government will continue to undertake its tasks until the transfer of power, a military source said.

An old piece of news widely circulated on the internet linking between the Port Said incidents and the collapse of a stadium during a football match between Zamalek and a Czech team. It is said that this incident took place in February 1954. It, however, occurred in February 1974 just to set facts straight. [https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc7/s720x720/423348\\_345044592212078\\_104224996294040\\_822237\\_290678180\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc7/s720x720/423348_345044592212078_104224996294040_822237_290678180_n.jpg)

On the first anniversary of the death of Lieutenant General Saad Eddin el-Shazli, God bless his soul, we remember his words: "The military leadership should be governed by the political leadership. War is the expansion of politics. In democratic states, the military leadership is elected by the people and thus represents the people and works on achieving their goals. The military leadership, meantime, is not elected and thus should be subjected to the supervision of the military leadership." Source: October War Memoirs. [https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc7/s720x720/297359\\_284785158238022\\_104224996294040\\_695034\\_777296613\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc7/s720x720/297359_284785158238022_104224996294040_695034_777296613_n.jpg)

An event: Prayers for the martyrs in Tahrir Square.  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/249926378418558/>

The state is not the building of the Interior Ministry or the Defense Ministry. When protesters approach them, it does not mean the state will fall apart. These are just myths propagated by the media, which tries to entrench the image of the state as worn-out institutions that cannot do their job in restoring security or raising your standard of living. The state's prestige cannot be measured by how violent the state is with its citizens. The state is simply "you." <http://www.almasryalyoum.com/node/648266>

To those who talk about "undermining" the state's stature after the revolution: Go to any country in the world and see how they speak about the Egypt people. They respect the Egyptian people now. Look how Egyptians are proud after the revolution. The state's prestige will not be undercut by youths demanding their rights.



A disaster on Al-Moez Ledin Allah Al-Fatemi Street. [https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc7/s720x720/427011\\_10150664120162053\\_583037052\\_11378480\\_746702097\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc7/s720x720/427011_10150664120162053_583037052_11378480_746702097_n.jpg)

This woman must have been trained abroad. It is so obvious that she receives funding from foreign bodies. Can't you see how she chants? She must a thug. Yes, she is a thug, who was funded and trained abroad. God be with you honest citizen. Down, down military rule! <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QnTM2hhb82E>

So, Americans are our enemy, who are trying to undermine Egypt and have to this end recruited and funded spies and traitors with millions of dollars (according to official statements), why on earth does SCAF visit the US repeatedly? Why does SCAF receive US officials when they visit Egypt? Why does SCAF accept arming the Egyptian Military with American weapons? Why do we accept a \$1.3 billion military aid from the US each year? The logic tells us that if they were our enemy, we should not at least be armed by their weapons. And if they were enemy, we should not accept yearly grants, right?

Egypt's exports in 2011 rose 19% to reach EGP 130 billion against EGP 110 billion, according to an official report issued by the Egyptian Industry and Foreign Trade Ministry.

Decisions by the revolutionary leadership on March 25, 1954: It promised to hand over power within four months and sack immediately the government, which was made up of military figures, to form a civilian government. It also vowed that the Army will return to its barracks and leave political positions. It would also allow the establishment of parties and the election of a president before July 24. Of course, nothing was fulfilled. [https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash4/s720x720/395428\\_345430405506830\\_104224996294040\\_822788\\_1545742537\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash4/s720x720/395428_345430405506830_104224996294040_822788_1545742537_n.jpg)

The drainage situation on Al-Moez Ledin Allah Al-Fatemi Street was thankfully resolved. Thanks to those who posted the issue and contributed to its solution. It could also be a chance for those who have never visited this street to do so now. This street is full of amazing Islamic antiquities.

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.449110057052.240690.583037052&type=3>

Who can stand against this generation? Down, down military rule. The revolution will win. [https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash4/424916\\_345593108823893\\_104224996294040\\_823214\\_1105371891\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash4/424916_345593108823893_104224996294040_823214_1105371891_n.jpg)



## Egyptian Cabinet

Cairo International Airport: Intensive security measures in Cairo airport to secure all buildings and institutions affiliated with the Civil Aviation Ministry.

Health Ministry: All hospitals are working at full capacity. Control rooms were established in all health directorates across the governorates.

Interior Ministry: Security forces helps in the enforcement of 5,177 court rulings and returning 21 stolen cars in one day.

Health Ministry: All people injured during the Interior Ministry incidents were discharged from hospital, except for nine still receiving treatment at Health Ministry and university hospitals. No protesters were injured in Tahrir or Abbasiya squares.



## Arabawy:

Ultras Martyrs Mural: Before heading to the Ministry of Defense march yesterday, I paid a brief visit to Mohamed Mahmoud Street, and took some quick shots of the new beautiful mural, set up to commemorate the Ultras martyrs.

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6853563061/>

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6853586003/>

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6853609665/>

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6853633851/>

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6853661875/>

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6853819783/>

Defacing the Presidential Palace: During the Ministry of Defense march yesterday, young protesters sprayed anti-SCAF graffiti, calling for the execution of Field Marshal Tantawi, on the walls of the presidential palace in Kobri el-Kobba.

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6854312089/>

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6854351973/>

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/elhamalawy/6854378041/>



Twitter

## Wael Abbas:

I want to know how Sameh Naguib was kidnapped from the middle of a crowd???

Those naïve children had no idea about politics before the revolution. Now, they tell you this person is bad and this one is ignorant.



Seriously, how Sameh was kidnapped from the heart of a large crowd???

<https://p.twimg.com/AlUmSmqCEAE3x2F.jpg>

<https://t.co/HCow0Zth>

If I had accepted a job offer from the International Center for Journalists, my name would have been those wanted over the NGOs foreign funding case.

<https://www.facebook.com/FreeMowafy?sk=info>

<https://www.facebook.com/egystudentsmovement/posts/322730574439842>

A female friend of mine was raped in Tahrir Square yesterday. I just knew now. I don't know what to do.

The Freedom and Justice Party: The general strike targets the people not the Armed Forces. When SOBs talk!!!

<http://www.shorouknews.com/news/view.aspx?cdate=10022012&id=b04d7574-f25f-4b27-a391-7a62a86d02ac>

I respect Abu-Hamed and everything but who made him a leader? We never heard of him before the birdshot shells incident!!!

The people were so obsessed with finding a charismatic leader and when they could not find one, they fabricated one.

Al-Hayat TV hangs on phone calls by the audience, but the audience hit hard against Abdel-Moneim el-Shahat!!!

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=h9bUPc0v\\_18](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=h9bUPc0v_18)

[https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc7/s720x720/427011\\_10150664120162053\\_583037052\\_11378480\\_746702097\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc7/s720x720/427011_10150664120162053_583037052_11378480_746702097_n.jpg)

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### Gsquare86:

Does Nahar TV have an online stream?

What I hate the most is Americans coming to study in Cairo, to become "Middle East analyst." These are the people who fucked up foreign policy.

One of the best achievements of the revolution so far has been the #graffiti or what i like to call street art.

#Portsaid massacre martyrs murals. #MohamedMahmoud #Cairo <http://t.co/gQXh0FCh>



#Ultras freedom fighters. #Egypt <http://www.flickr.com/photos/gigiibrahim/6854226261/>

#Feb11 Strike. <http://www.flickr.com/photos/gigiibrahim/6854242865/>

SCAF Monster #noSCAF. <http://www.flickr.com/photos/gigiibrahim/6854253537/>

Private School's students march on first day of strike.

<http://english.ahram.org.eg/NewsContent/1/64/34260/Egypt/Politics-/Private-Schools-students-march-on-first-day-of-str.aspx>

### Asmaa Mahfouz:

I just came home a few moments ago, what did Tantawi say????

Taxi drivers are on a strike??

The youth coalition of the environment announces its participation in the civil disobedience.

It will stage a protest on Sunday 12/2/2012 at the Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency.

### Monasosh:

The good news is that Tareq el-Gedawi was released. The bad news that there are four others detained and we know absolutely nothing about them.

### Iyad elbaghdadi:

Whenever a pro-Assad troll shows up in my mentions, I know I'm doing something right.  
#Syria

Humanitarian situation in #BabaAmr tragic. Low on food, bread, milk, blood, medicines, blankets, and savagely shelled constantly. #Syria

Heavy reinforcements by the regime near #Idlib. Seems like preparations for a ground assault. #Syria

Since yesterday I've seen the US administration actively building the case for an intervention in #Syria. I'm worried.

The US administration has posted satellite images of the regime units shelling Zabadani & Homs. I'm not impressed for two reasons

Of course, not to point out the obvious, which is that today's the anniversary of #Mubarak's ouster. #Egypt

Follow some #Egypt tweeps (or the hashtag) for events there today. General strike. For me, I'm locked in on #Syria.

### Arabist:

Egypt's turmoil: It goes on and on | The Economist:

<http://www.economist.com/node/21547294>



Eyeing the Arab spring: Gloom and bloom | The Economist:  
<http://www.economist.com/node/21547291>

**Aalam Wassef:**

Could someone send me the name of the US company producing gas canisters? Thanks a lot.

Ooof... >> In 1997, Egypt's True Defense Expenditures were estimated "conservatively" at 14 Billion Dollars. <http://www.peerevaluation.org/read/libraryID:28401>



## ▪ 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<sup>11</sup> 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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