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Three Million Volunteers in Egypt

في تقرير للشبكة العربية عن المنظمات الأهلية :

ثلاثة ملايين متطوع في مصر لا توجد خريطة للاستفادة منهم

كتب - محمد حجاب:

على مفهوم التطوع بامتياز سلكنا اجتماعياً إنسانياً يسير عليه ويتبعه كثير من المواطنين بشكل إرادي ويقدم خدمات أو أعمالاً منتجة إلى الآخرين وأوضح التقرير أن أداء الشباب لأزواجهم غير القضاء الإلكتروني شكل المصدر الرئيسي للعديد من العائدات التي انتقلت للواقع وهو ما ظهر في ارتفاع معدلات تأسيس المنظمات الأهلية بمبادرات من الشباب منذ انطلاق الثورة المصرية، إلا أن التقرير لاحظ انخفاضاً في تسديد الاشتراكات بنسبة ٥٦ بالمئة في الجمعيات والهيئات الأهلية التي يشارك فيها المتطوعون.

تأسست في مصر عام ٢٠١٠ نحو ٢١٣٩ جمعية أهلية وهو العام الذي انطلقت فيه الثورة المصرية، وبلغ عدد المتطوعين بها ١٨٨ ألف عضو منهم ٢٥٪ من النساء، كما أن ٢٦٪ من تلك الجمعيات تأسست في المناطق الريفية و٧٥٪ في المناطق الصحراوية. وكشف التقرير عن أن مفهوم التطوع اتسع هذا العام ليصبح غير أسير للمنظمات أو مؤسسات وسيطية بلح للواقع على أنها منظمات حكومية أو منظمات أهلية أو منظمات لاجتماعية، واتسع بشكل كبير متجاوزاً النمط التقليدي في التطوع الإرادي الحر فضلاً عن التجزؤات التي طرأت

كشفت تقرير الشبكة العربية للمنظمات الأهلية عن التطوع في المنطقة العربية أنه يوجد في مصر ٢ ملايين متطوع في العمل الأهلي باتساعه الخيرية والإنسانية والتنموية والاجتماعية والاقتصادية، بينما لا تتوفر عنهم أية معلومات كافية ودقيقة حول الحالات التي ينشطون فيها، ولا توجد خريطة للاستفادة منهم في خدمة المجتمعات حتى يمكن توثيق جهودهم التطوعية في مجالات تنمية المجتمع، والارتفاع بالخدمات التي يحتاجها، والاستفادة من طاقة الشباب منهم وتحقيق الفكارهم في تطوير بلدهم وأشار التقرير إلى أنه

A report by the Arabic Network for NGOs issued a report about voluntary work in the Arab countries revealed that three million volunteers work in humanitarian, development social and economic activities in Egypt.

The report pointed out the rarity of information about the volunteers and their activities. The report also mentioned that 2139 NGOs were established in Egypt in 2010. 188 thousand volunteers worked as these NGOs; 25% of them were women. 26 % of the NGOs were established in rural areas and 7% in desert areas.



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Author: Not mentioned

The Egyptian Institute Trains MP Assistants



The Democratic Egyptian Institute is executing a training program for MPs' assistants.

Political activist Israa Abd al-Fattah, head of the Democratic Egyptian Institute said the project was part of the Institute's activity as a nongovernmental organization concerned about the democratic change and the spread of democracy.

She added that the program aimed at finding a mechanism for cooperation between the Parliament and the civil society through the formation of specialized units and MPs' assistants that work as means of pressure and observation on the crucial issues of society.



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 Author: Isam Rifaat

In Alexandria, al-Awwa Promises a New Revolution



In an electoral conference in Alexandria, Potential Presidential Candidate Muhammad Salim al-Awwa threatened to call for a new revolution if presidential elections were not held on the assigned time.

He reiterated his commitment to apply the Islamic Shariah [Islamic law] if he were elected president.

He criticized the foreign interference and the foreign control that was imposed on Egypt during the mandate of the former regime.

Sabbahi Seeks MPs Support



Potential Presidential Candidate Hamdain Sabbahi visited the People's Assembly two days ago.

Sabbahi met a considerable number of his supporters in the parliament.

Speaker Saad al-Katatni and Secretary General Sami Marhan received him.

The visit aimed at gaining MPs' support to Sabbahi in the presidential elections. A 30-signature petition is needed for any potential presidential candidate to have the right to nomination to presidential elections.



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Author: Badawi al-Sayyid Nejeilahi

Presidential Elections; a Big Drama



Potential Presidential Candidate Khalid Ali described the coming presidential elections as a big drama directed by the High Presidential Elections Commission that has given, in his opinion, itself the role of the judge and the litigator.

Ali said the commission was completely unaware of the event and was committing big mistakes.

Ali expected unexpected incidents that would blow the presidential elections, stating that all the decisions of the high Presidential Elections Commission can be easily annulled.



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Author: Mansour Kamel

Government Considers Reconciliatory Offers by Tora Prisoners



Finance Minister Montaz el-Saeed revealed several offers from former regime officials to drop charges pertaining to financial corruption against them in return of a portion of their wealth.

The government is considering those offers, Saeed said without elaborating.

On top of the figures that submitted such offers were former organization secretary of the once-ruling National Democratic Party (NDP) Ahmed Ezz, he said.

Governmental sources said former housing minister Ahmed el-Maghrabi was also among the names that made the reconciliatory offer.

Abul-Fotouh Visits Striking GUC Students



Presidential candidate Abdel-Moneim Abul-Fotouh visited the striking students at the German University in Cairo (GUC) to express his solidarity with them against the university's administration, which suspended a number of students arbitrarily.

Abul-Fotouh condemned the GUC's administration, wondering how such measures could be taken after the revolution, which calls for freedom and dignity.

The GUC had suspended five students after they staged a protest to demand retribution for the victims of the Port Said match incidents in February.



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Author: Hamdi Dabsh, Hani el-Waziri and Ghada Mohamed el-Sherif

MB, Salafist Crisis Continues over Youths' Presidential Endorsements



On the fourth day of issuing proxies for presidential hopefuls, the youth crisis at the Muslim Brotherhood group and Salafists continued.

The crisis broke out when young members of the MB and Salafists issued endorsements for presidential hopefuls Abdel-Moneim Abul-Fotouh and Hazem Salah Abu-Ismael despite orders given to them not to.

Mohamed Emadeddin, a senior member of the Freedom and Justice Party, the political wing of the MB, said any members who break the rules, disobey the orders and issue proxies for Abul-Fotouh will be quizzed by the group.

Bassam Qotb, a young MB member, said he rejects the idea of a consensus candidate as proposed by the group and that he had given his signature to Abul-Fotouh.

He said he would tender his resignation, as will a large number of young MB members, if the group insisted on a consensus candidate.

A senior member of the Salafist Al-Nour Party, who asked to remain anonymous, said deep divisions broke out inside the party over supporting presidential aspirant Abu-Ismael.



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 Author: Mohamed el-Sanhouri

430 Presidential Aspirants So Far



On the fourth day of opening the presidential candidacy, 430 people have headed so far to the premises of the Presidential Elections Commission to run for president.

The most prominent names that got their presidential candidacy forms were Wagih Afifi, a former instructor at the Military Academy and a retired Army officer.

Afifi said that if he was elected, he would hold both posts of the president and the interior minister. He said he had run in the polls of 2005 against ousted president Hosni Mubarak, which was the reason for his sacking from the Military Academy.

Also the nominee of the Egypt National Party, Ahmed Awad, received his candidacy applications.

In statements to the media, Awad said he, if elected, would set up a new ministry for the development of Upper Egypt. He said his platform is also giving priority to the reconstruction of Sinai and reclamation of desert areas.

Funny enough, an undertaker from Gharbiya governorate announced his nomination in the elections. A Quran tutor and a person with a disability also filed their nomination papers.



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 Author: Abd Al-Nabi Al-Shahat.

Presidential Candidates



Ahmed Shafik, potential presidential candidate and former commander in the Egyptian Air Force, visited Namul village in Al-Qalyubia. He confirmed that he is committed to the decision of the Presidential Elections Commission to halt his campaign until the campaign period begins.

Amr Moussa, potential presidential candidate, traveled to the city of Gerga in Sohag to attend a wedding ceremony. His campaign's general coordinator denied that this was part of the publicity made for Moussa.

Mansour Hassan, potential presidential candidate, declared that he awaits Al-Wafd's final decision to support him for presidency. The decision of Al-Wafd's leaders to support Hassan has raised a lot of controversy and disagreements among the members of the party.



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Author: Hagar Tohamy, Samar Nabih, Mohamed Faisal, Emad Hamdy, Tawfeeq Shaaban, Kareem Alham

Presidential Candidates Comment on Constituent Assembly



A number Presidential candidate demanded that the Constituent Assembly should include a non-parliamentary majority.

They added that article 28 of the Constitutional declaration should have been cancelled before to preserve the transparency of the Presidential Elections Commission.

They included Amr Moussa, Hamdeen El-Sabagy, and Abd El-Moneim Aboul-Fotouh.



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Authors: Salah Laban and Hager El-Desouki.

Salafi Anger at the Muslim Brotherhood



Salafis are now turning against the Muslim Brotherhood following the statements of Dr. Essam El-Erian, deputy head of the Freedom and Justice Party, in which he confirmed that Egypt must remain a civil democratic state in the new constitution. Salafis refused what they described as the Muslim Brotherhood’s contradictory approach to politics.

Sheikh Ahmed Farid, one of the leading scholars of Al-Nour Salafi Party, said the Salafi movement is completely against drafting the constitution without referring to applying the rules of Shari’a. He criticized the Muslim Brotherhood’s performance in the parliament because they abandoned the issue of applying the Islamic Shari’a. He also said that the MB should cooperate with liberals and seculars against Salafis because Salafis believe that a “civil state” is a non-religious state with no identity.

Farid noted that MB leaders have changed many of their positions. The MB allied themselves with Al-Wafd Party before the presidential elections and hence they are advocating now a “civil state.”

“We only gained the votes of Egyptians to apply God’s rules,” said Dr. Yosri Hamad, spokesman for Al-Nour Salafi Party.



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 Authors: Gamal Essam Al-Din, Rahma Diao (and others).

SCAF Orders and Muslim Brotherhood Obeys



The Freedom and Justice Party, political wing of the Muslim Brotherhood and the majority party in the parliament, did not provide a clear justification for taking back their decision to withdraw confidence from El-Ganzouri’s government.

Political analysts confirmed that SCAF’s pressure is behind this change of positions in the parliament.

Abd Al-Ghaffar Shokr, co-founder of the Socialist Popular Alliance Party, said SCAF rejected the parliament’s attempt to withdraw confidence from El-Ganzouri’s government. “The People’s Assembly is in trouble now and the Egyptian people are now living under military rule,” said Shokr.

Dr. Yosri Al-Azabawi, political expert at Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies, said that despite the parliament’s failed attempt to withdraw confidence from El-Ganzouri’s government, the parliament can still impact the government’s decisions through the hearings. Al-Azabawi further mentioned that the Muslim Brotherhood tried to create political pressures to withdraw confidence from El-Ganzouri’s government and form a coalition government; however, SCAF did not respond to their pressures.



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Authors: Nancy Habib and Peter Magdi.

Church and Youth Bishop



The health of Pope Shenouda III, Patriarch of the Coptic Church, is an issue that casts its shadows on the future of Copts political life in Egypt. News spread about a serious deterioration in Pope Shenouda's health.

The issue raises questions over the person who will be chosen as Pope Shenouda's successor. This person will assume the responsibility of the Coptic Church at a very critical time for Egypt as presidential elections draw near.

Maspero Youth Coalition called for a prayer to pray for His Holiness Pope Shenouda III today at the St. Mark Cathedral in Al-Abbasiya.



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 Authors: Peter Magdi and Mahmoud Sha'ban.

MB Supreme Guide Visits Evangelical Church



After his historic visit to the Coptic Orthodox Cathedral, Supreme Guide of the Muslim Brotherhood Dr. Mohamed Badie paid an unprecedented visit to the Evangelical Church in which he announced that divine values should be the reference for those who run the affairs of the country.

Head of Egypt's Evangelical Church Dr. Safwat Al-Bayadi received Badie and the Muslim Brotherhood's delegation. "We are parts of one body that forms the Egyptian society," Al-Bayadi stressed. Leaders of the Evangelical Church had visited the Muslim Brotherhood's headquarters in Mokattam two weeks ago.

"We have now become owners of this country and we are no longer enslaved by anyone" said Badie referring to the overthrow of Mubarak's regime. He said that the former regime used religious strife to create conflict and divide the Egyptian people. "We have tried Communism and failed, Capitalism and failed, thus we only have to depend on divine values to reach the advancement of our country," said Badie.



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Author: Mohamed El-Feqqi

Ashour New Advisory Council Head



Head of Egypt's Lawyers' Syndicate, Sameh Ashour was chosen as the new head of the Advisory Council after Mansour Hassan had stepped down, in the Council's meeting yesterday.

Mohamed El-Khouly, the Council's official spokesperson, said that the members urged Hassan not to resign but to remain as a member.



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Author: Youssef Wahby

Mubarak Money: Money for Freedom



The Minister of Finance Momtaz El-Saeed announced that Mubarak men imprisoned in Tora intensive security prison started a number of initiatives to relinquish a part of their wealth in exchange of waiving cases against them.

The minister announced that the case is being examined by the government, adding that it would not require any legislative amendments.



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Authors: Mohamed Abu Zeid, Mohamed Khayal, Mohamed Salem

'Third Party' Ignites a Political Firestorm



The People’s Assembly witnessed a political firestorm yesterday in its second and evening session after apprehending a National Security officer trying to incite Betroget workers to break in to the building.

MPs accused police officers of being the ‘third party’ that instigates all chaotic incidents in the country. SCAF has been pinning all violence events and security chaos on a third party since the beginning of the transitional period, this party remains unnamed.

Interior Minister Mohamed Ibrahim was immediately summoned to the Parliament. He said that the officer was present to secure the vicinity of the Interior Ministry and was attacked by Betroget workers who were protesting in front of the People’s Assembly.

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Author: Not mentioned

DIA Director Visits Egypt



The Defense Intelligence Agency Director Lieutenant General Ronald Burgess arrived to Cairo yesterday in a visit that will last a number of days.

Burgess agenda includes meeting a number of Egyptian officials to discuss the latest updates in the region and the Syrian crisis.

The meetings should also tackle means of military cooperation between both countries, and the NGOs foreign funding case that created a rift between both countries.

Nour MPs Given Permission to Approve Any Presidential Candidate



The Supreme Committee of Al-Nour's Salafi Party announced that it has given permission to the members of its Parliamentary bloc to approve to any of the presidential candidates they consider the fittest.

The committee said they first have to coordinate with El-Sayed Mostafa , head of Nour's Parliamentary bloc.

This step is taken to support presidential candidates with Islamic background, stated the committee's statement.



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 Author: Nour Ali

Parliament Majority to Withdraw Confidence from Al-Ganzory



Hussein Ibrahim, the Parliament majority representative said the first step to withdraw confidence from PM Kamal Al-Ganzory’s government was by rejecting the government’s statements.

The Parliament declared they haven’t granted the government any approval since it had been assigned.

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Author: Hend Mokhtar

Omar Soliman Will not Run for President

عمر سليمان يظهر لأول مرة وينضى نيته الترشح للرئاسة
425 مرشحاً.. ورئيس «مصر القومي» يتقدم بأوراقه

كتبت - هناد مختار
راسم مختار



كشفت الدكتور ياسر بريهام، نائب رئيس مجلس الوزراء المستقفي، أن عمر سليمان أراد الترشح للرئاسة منذ فترة طويلة مع مرشحى الرئاسة، مشيراً إلى أن قراراته الدخول فى الانتخابات ستعتمد على من يعطونه دعمهم والقبول، والدكتور ياسر بريهام، وزير الدفاع، قال: «عمر سليمان مرشح جيد للرئاسة فى مصر».

ويذكر أن عمر سليمان مرشحاً فى الانتخابات الرئاسية فى مصر، وهو من المرشحين الذين أعلنوا نيته الترشح للرئاسة فى مصر، وهو من المرشحين الذين أعلنوا نيته الترشح للرئاسة فى مصر، وهو من المرشحين الذين أعلنوا نيته الترشح للرئاسة فى مصر.

التحقيق، وبعد ظهور من تودت أسرته سليمان ضمن المرشحين المحتملين، التزم بالهدوء، لأن اليوم الرابع على الترشح، ولم يعلن عن نيته الترشح، إلا فى وقت متأخر من مساء أمس، وذلك بعد أن أعلن عن نيته الترشح فى وقت متأخر من مساء أمس، وذلك بعد أن أعلن عن نيته الترشح فى وقت متأخر من مساء أمس.

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Omar Soliman, former vice president and former head of the intelligence services, announced he would not run in the coming presidential elections.

He made the announcement following a meeting with his supporters...

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Author: Mahmoud Saad Al-Din and others

Police Officer Incites Workers to Break into Parliament Premises



Petrojet Egypt Company workers, who started a sit-in in front of the People's Assembly premises, found out that a National Security Officer was the one who was inciting them to break into the parliament but they refused as their sit-in was peaceful.

Due to this, the Freedom and Justice Party spokesman said the MPs will criticize the government and the minister of interior and will not bow under any threats.

Pages: 1 and 6
Author: Maher Abu Nour

Military Forces Rescue Al-Wadi Al-Gadeed



Security chaos spread in Al-Wadi Al-Gadeed (New Valley) governorate, prompting the Armed Forces to step in to rescue the residents.

Violence, kidnaps, robbery operations have remarkably increased in the governorate and escalated when thugs blocked the roads.



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Author: Ahmed Magdi

Egypt Summons Israeli Ambassador Over Gaza



The Egyptian Foreign Ministry summoned Israel's Ambassador in Cairo Yaakov Amitai to express its resentment over the aggressive acts perpetrated by Israeli forces against Gaza.

The Foreign Ministry asked the Israeli diplomat to convey to his country Egypt's rejection of the wanton, excessive use of force by the Israeli government.

It also called for an unconditional and immediate ceasefire.

The summoning comes in response to the parliament's request to convey Egypt's rejection of the Israeli attacks.



TV Coverage (13/03/2012)



Program: Al-Hayat Al-Yoom

Channel: Al-Hayat

Host: Sherief Amer and Lobna Assal

Minister of Finance says business men Ahmed Ezz and Al-Maghraby are willing to give up all their belongings in return of their freedom.

PM Kamal Al-Ganzory discusses ways for returning smuggled money.



Program: Momken

Channel: CBC

Host: Khairy Ramadan

Presidential candidate, Hazem Abu Ismail said:

I have never thought of joining the presidential race before but the current status of the country encouraged me.

Whoever died for the sake of his country is a martyr and will get his right.

Martyrdom is not restricted to a certain religion.

There are calls to form a fund for women to get paid while staying at home.

I am not against women joining the work force.



Program: 24 hour news

Channel 1"State TV"

So far 350 candidates withdrew presidential applications.

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Channel 1"State TV"

472 candidates have withdrawn the applications of the presidential race until now. 3:00 AM

Advisory Council Head resigns from his post but remains as a member. 3:00 AM



**Program: Sabah Al-Kheir Ya Masr
Channel 1"State TV"**

Supreme Judicial Court interrogated Judge Abdel-Moez Ibrahim hours after he had returned to Egypt.

Minister of International Cooperation, Fayza Abu Al-Nagga said: Washington refused Egypt's request to give up US aid.

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**News
Channel 2"State TV"
Time: 26:00:00**

MPs accuse Interior Ministry of decelerating measures taken to end security chaos.

Minister of Interior was summoned at the People's Assembly to explain how z National Security Officer was caught among demonstrators.

**Program: Yesed Sabahak
Channel 2"State TV"
Host: Hazem Abu Sood**

Advisory Council will elect a new president today.



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Radio Coverage (13/03/2012)



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Channel: Radio Masr

Minister of Finance said business men Ahmed Ezz and Al-Maghraby decided to relinquish their wealth in exchange for their freedom.

So far 385 candidates withdrew presidential applications. 18:00:00

Sameh Ashour is chosen as Advisory Council Head after Mansour Hassan resigned. 25:00:00

PM Kamal Al-Ganzory discusses ways for returning smuggled money. 25:00:00



News

Channel: Al-Shark Al-Awsat

Judge Hatem Begato, Presidential Elections Commission Secretary General said all the presidential candidates must be committed to the silent period before the elections until April 30th. 25:00:00

MPs accuse Minister of Interior of deceleration in ending the security chaos. 25:00:00

Judge Omar Marawan, Deputy Justice Minister, decided to increase the number of Notary Public employees working on receiving approvals for presidential candidates.

News

Channel: State Radio

Time: 12:00 PM

Advisory Council discusses today the criteria for choosing Constituent Assembly members.



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Internet Coverage (14/03/2012)

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We are all khaled saed

Minister of Interior might even say in his expected statement that we don't have National Security.

Wednesday papers: The Government it is considering the offer made by Tora inmates to relinquish their wealth in exchange of their Freedom.

Egyptian cabinet

Ministry of Interior conducts an extensive security campaign to end any violations on agriculture lands and public properties.



Muslim brotherhood site

Freedom and Justice Party Statement on Israeli Aggression against Gaza

The Freedom and Justice Party (FJP) unequivocally condemns the recent and continuing Israeli aggression on the Gaza Strip. The FJP asserts that this aggression is not only directed against the people of Gaza, but aims to test Arab – and especially Egyptian – reactions, after the revolution. However, this is certainly the wrong message, delivered in a totally wrong and abhorrent context. Israel must fully realize that Egypt, whose people have bravely erupted against and toppled the tyrannical corrupt regime which provided it with constant and direct support, will not under any circumstances accept such Israeli actions and deliberate violent escalation, which put the entire region at risk and threaten international relations, stability and security.

The FJP stresses that the security of the Gaza Strip and the Palestinian people inevitably impacts the national security of Egypt. Hence, the Egyptian people regard as very suspicious the recent Israeli aggressions and the extent of Israeli disrespect for international conventions which Israel has been violating continuously, dragging the whole region into a series of deep crises.

Meanwhile, the FJP calls on the Egyptian Foreign Ministry and the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) – Egypt's interim military rulers – to denounce this escalation and to strongly announce the firm and whole-hearted stance of the Egyptian people, and all Egyptian institutions, in condemning this aggression, and that post-revolution Egypt will stand solidly by her besieged brothers in Gaza. The party also asserts that the siege Israel has been imposing on Gaza is no longer acceptable under any justification, which requires full and permanent



opening of the Rafah border crossing, just like all other border crossings linking Egypt with its neighboring Arab countries.

Further, the FJP vows full support for the people of Gaza, who have chosen steadfast resistance as a legitimate means to defend themselves and restore their land, which entails providing them with all they need to ensure that they obtain their internationally and legally recognized rights.

Moreover, the FJP also calls on the international community and the Quartet, especially the United Nations, and all other institutions and countries concerned, who pledged to play the role of guarantor of Israel's commitment to its obligations, to take all necessary measures to put an end to this aggression, this deliberate provocation and these new abuses and violations which can plunge the entire region in a severe crisis with unavoidable serious consequences.

The FJP also calls upon the United States to abandon its policy of double standards, if it is genuinely interested in developing its relations with Arab and Islamic peoples. It certainly is no longer acceptable or logical that the United States persists in turning a blind eye to Israel's recurrent and brutal excesses and aggressions, and continues to deal with the peoples of the Arab revolutions with the same approach it adopted with corrupt regimes toppled by these revolutions.



Twitter

@iyad_elbaghdadi

"Here's @feb17libya retiring the site, turning a new page, and moving on to rebuilding #Libya. You're the best, guys. <http://bit.ly/wl9BWu>"

"And may I add, the @feb17libya / <http://feb17.info> site should be treated as historical record for #Libya's revolution."

"Its bittersweet seeing #Libya turns the page while the mother of all revolutions, #Egypt, still struggles."

"There is a battle for the future of our Arab world, on all fronts, and there's a lot at stake - not only for Arabs but for the entire world."

"The front lines are crisp & clear in some places, and foggy & muddy in others, but the trend is towards more polarization."

"I do not wish to oppose the counter-revolutionary forces, or even argue with them. All I need to say to them is, you're history. You're history, and every stupidity you do, every brutality, every misstep; I just look upon you and wish you'd commit more."



"It's about time they are completely delegitimized, on all fronts."

"We have a lot of problems; we have a lot of pits & minefields along the way. But we're the future."

"Every stupidity you commit is you digging a deeper hole, painting yourselves into a corner, making the inevitable more imminent."

@Monasosh

"No Wall Street <http://yfrog.com/kiq9cftj>"

I cannot accept claims that we should stand united in the battle of presidential elections. I cannot give my voice to someone who does not represent me while there is another candidate who truly represents me.

My friends in Aboul Fotouh campaign: Please do not act like members of the Muslim Brotherhood!

"Help us expose how massively they used military trials to terrorize people and put an end to revolution."

@WaelAbbas

I am heading to Qafsa in Tunisia.

Chinese Prime Minister said: We respect the Syrian people's desire to create change!!!

@Gsquare86

"You can create something out of nothing #Illusions "Fresh Guacamole" http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FQMO6vjmkyI&feature=player_embedded #StopMotion"

"WTF? <http://is.gd/oZ76hk> #Libya #Syria #Egypt New visa introduced for Arab Spring nationals #UK"

"Seriously there need to be a study done about the explosion of presidential candidates because some of them even though hilarious, they r good!"

"Not that I am supporting this process or I will take part in it #EgyCircusbut the amount of creative ideas from average people are amazing!"



▪ 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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