



# News Coverage

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## Newspapers (24/03/2012)



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### Parliament Selects Today Members of Constituent Assembly

**البرلمان يختار «تأسيسية الدستور» اليوم من بين ٣ آلاف مرشح  
البلتاجي: ٣٧ نائبا من الشعب و١٣ من الشورى لعضوية اللجنة**

القاهرة . بهاء مباشر: ينتهي مجلسا الشعب والشورى في اجتماعهما المشترك اليوم من اختيار أعضاء لجنة المائة التأسيسية التي ستتولى وضع الدستور. وأوضح الدكتور محمد البلتاجي عضو مجلس الشعب أن اللجنة المشكلة لتلقي طلبات الترشيح تلقت ما يقرب من ٣ آلاف طلب من بينها طلبات تقدم بها شخصيات عامة من بينهم الدكتور محمد أبو الغار والدكتور محمد عمارة والدكتور حازم الببلاوي وسامح عاشور والمستشار حسام الغرياني والمستشار مجدى العجاتي وقال البلتاجي أن ٣٧ من نواب الشعب و١٣ من نواب الشورى سيشاركون في اللجنة التأسيسية وأن من حق

كل نواب المجلسين الترشح لعضوية التأسيسية دون اشتراط تقديمهم أى طلبات إلى اللجنة المختصة، بينما سيتم اختيار ٥٠ شخصية من خارج البرلمان. وأوضح البلتاجي أن اختيار أعضاء اللجنة التأسيسية سيتم عبر استمارات يتم توزيعها على النواب الحضور للاجتماع المشترك لمجلسي الشعب والشورى ليختار كل منهم مائة اسم بشرط أن يكون ٥٠ منهم من نواب البرلمان بغرفتيه والـ ٥٠ الباقون من بين الشخصيات العامة وممثلي الهيئات والنقابات التي تقدمت بطلبات لعضوية اللجنة التأسيسية.

[برلمان الثورة ص ٦]

The People's Assembly and the Shoura Council will hold a joint meeting today to select members of the Constituent Assembly, which is composed of 100 members who will undertake the task of drafting Egypt's new constitution.

MP Dr. Mohamed Al-Beltagi said that they received more than 3000 nominations of public figures and intellectuals to be included in the Constituent Assembly. Al-Beltagi said that 37 Members of the People's Assembly and 13 Members of the Shoura Council will be selected in the assembly. Every MP has the right to be nominated for the membership of the Constituent Assembly without filing special requests to the joint committee, he explained.

Al-Beltagi said that 50 members will be chosen from the parliament and 50 public figures and representatives of syndicates and organizations will be selected from outside the parliament, from among the nominations presented to the joint committee.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Shorouk: Pages 1, 7.

## National Council for Human Rights Demands Cancelling Article Giving Immunity to Decisions of Presidential Elections Commission



The National Council of Human Rights (NCHR) sent a memorandum to the ruling Supreme Council of Armed Forces and the upper and lower houses of parliament in which they demand cancelling Article 28 of the Constitutional Declaration, which gives immunity to the decisions of the Presidential Elections Commission.

The NCHR said that this article contradicts all constitutional and democratic principles. The NCHR said they will hold a press conference today to present their view of the article and issue their report on the violations that occurred during the parliamentary elections.

Hafez Abou Se'da, head of the NCHR's legislative committee, said that "Article 28 will open a gate of hell in the country and will lead to a total chaos." Abou Se'da suggested a timeline for contesting the decisions of the Presidential Elections Commission.



## Residents of Port Said Surround Suez Canal Authority Building



Hundreds of residents of the city of Port Said protested in front of the Suez Canal Authority building to refuse imposing any sanctions on Al-Masry football club.

Thousands of Port Said residents had marched from Al-Masry football club building and went across the city demanding a fair retribution from those who want to disrupt Egypt's stability. They denounced what they described as the escalation between Al-Ahly and Al-Masry football fans caused by the media.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Shorouk: Page 1; Al-Ahram: Pages 1, 16; Youm 7: Page 1; Al-Akhbar: Page 3; Al-Tahrir: Page 1.



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Author: Mahmoud Badr.

## Marches against Islamists Domination over Constitution-Drafting

**مسيرات ضد خطف الدستور**

القوى الثورية تنتفض لتذكير النواب بأنهم يرفضون هيمنة الإسلاميين على كتابة الدستور

الخولي: ليس من حق الذين رفضوا دقيقة الحداد على البابا كتابة الدستور. وشكر: لا بد من الضغط على الإسلاميين

كتيب محمود بدر، لا صوت يعلو فوق صوت الدستور، هذا هو الشعار الذي سيرجعه أكثر من ٧٠ من القوى المدنية والسياسية، اليوم السبت، في مسيراتهما التي ستطلق من أماكن عديدة بالمناهق كافة المحافظات، في مدينة نصر، التي يجتمع بها أعضاء مجلسي الشعب والنقري، لتذكيرهم بأن القوى المدنية لن تسبح لأحد بالهيمنة على الدستور وكتابه على هواء.

الحركة المصرية من أجل التغيير «كفaya» دعت أمسها إلى الاحتشاد أمام النادي الأهلي في مدينة نصر، وكذلك أمام مسجد النور في العباسية، ومسجد رابعة العدوية، من أجل المشاركة في المسيرات، وأكدت لجنة الشباب في بيانها أن حركة «كفaya» ترفض رفضاً قاطعاً أن يكون هناك إقصاء

للإبناء الوطن، وأن يسيطر على كتابة الدستور مجموعة ضيق سياسي معين أي كان وجهها، لأن المسائل كلها التعريف ولا تكتفي بالأغلبية فقط، شحدا على أن كفاية كانت توقيت ثورة جديدة على الإسلاميين إلا أنها اليوم ترى أنهم يعجلون بذلك الثورة ضدهم.

كذلك دعت حركة ٦٠ أبريل، الجبهة الديمقراطية، المسارحها إلى الاحتشاد أمام مسجد رابعة العدوية وكذلك النادي الأهلي، مشددة على أنها لن تسبح بحفظ الحركة، طارق الخولي، قال في التحريم إن إصدار الإخوان والتلفزيون على الاضواء ككتابة الدستور منها أنهم يسرون بما إلى حرق الوطن بالكامل، وتساءل كيف لمن رفضوا أن يظفوا دقيقة حداد على

روح البابا شوقاً ولو تضامناً مع إخوانهم في الوطن، أن يؤتمتوا على كتابة دستور يبرر عن المسلمين والمسيحيين، ويعبر عن الأسياء والقراء في هذا البلد، داعياً شباب الثورة إلى الفرز للحفاظ على قوتهم، وعلى دستور مصري لا يفرق بين المواطنين على أساس الدين أو الجنس أو اللون.

رئيس حزب التحالف الشعبي الاشتراكي، عبد الغفار شكر، أكد أن الحزب، سيشترك في مسيرات الاحتشاد، لأن الأحزاب الإسلامية من أجل العدول عن قرار مجلسي الشعب والنقري، مطبقاً إلى أن هذا القرار سيمنحهم هيمنة التيارات الإسلامية على وضع الدستور الذي سيحكم مصر لمدة طويلة، وأضاف أنهم مطالبوا البرلمان بأن

يكون تمثل مجلسي الشعب والنقري في اللجنة التأسيسية للدستور بصفة ٥٠٪، على أن يكون الناقض من الشخصيات العامة وعامة الشعب الذين سيحكمون ذلك الدستور، مشدداً على أنه ليس من الضروري أن يوضع الدستور من الأغلبية البرلمانية، الجدير بالذكر أن التحالف شباب الثورة وحركة الاشتراكيين الثوريين، وشباب من أجل العدالة والحرية، والجمعية المصرية للتغيير النسائي، وحركة ٦ أبريل يجتمعها، إلى جانب اللجان الشعبية للمازح من الثورة وكذلك لجان تحرير المدينة ومحرمية كبرى من الأحزاب المصرية مثل حزب غد الثورة والجمعية الديمقراطية وبرنامج شباب الثورة معاً الشعب المصري بطوليه كافة إلى المشاركة في مسيرات رفض احتكار الإسلاميين الدستور.

More than 70 revolutionary and youth movements will march today from several places towards the Nasr City Conference Room, where the joint meeting of the members of the People’s Assembly and the Shoura Council will be held to select members of the Constituent Assembly, to protest Islamists domination over the new constitution.

Kefaya movement called on its members to participate in the marches to reject marginalizing political groups outside the parliament. The movement called for an equal representation of the different segments of the Egyptian society in the process of drafting the constitution. They refused the domination of one political power over the country’s new constitution.

The April 6 movement, democratic front, also called on its supporters to demonstrate against “hijacking the constitution.” Tarek Al-Khouli, April 6 spokesman, told Al-Tahrir newspaper that the Muslim Brotherhood and Salafis insist on dominating the constitution-drafting and this means that they never want the country to settle down. “How can we trust those who rejected to stand a minute of silence to mourn the late Pope Shenouda III, as a way of expressing solidarity with fellow Egyptian Christians, to write a constitution that represents both Muslims and Christians?” He called on revolutionary youth to demonstrate to protect their revolution and demand an Egyptian constitution which does not discriminate between citizens based on religion, sex or color.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Masry Al-Youm: Page 1, 5; Al-Dostour: Pages 1, 5; Youm 7: Pages 1, 5.





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Authors: Ahmed Abd Al-Halim and Ahmed Eweis.

## MB Considers Supporting Al-Awa for Presidency

**« الإخوان » تبحث دعم العوار رئيساً بنائب من الجماعة**

**مصدر: كل السيناريوهات مطروحة.. والجزائر: لم يوقع أحد من نواب « الحرية والعدالة » لمنصور حسن**

كتب أحمد عبد الحليم وأحمد عويس،  
قالت مصادر مطلعة في حزب الحرية والعدالة، الذراع السياسية لجماعة الإخوان المسلمين إن أعضاء في الهيئة العليا للحزب اقترحوا دعم المرشح الرئاسي محمد سليم العوا، شريطة أن يتخذ له نائباً من الجماعة، وأضافت المصادر لـ«الشرق»؛ أن سيناريو دعم «العوا» ونائب إخواني، مطروح بقوة في إطار بحث الجماعة وحزبها عن مخرج للأزمة التي باتت صدادعاً مزمناً، وتهدد بشكل ملموس تماسك ووحدة الكيان التنظيمي لها لأول مرة منذ نشأتها منذ أكثر من ٨٠ عاماً.  
وأوضحت المصادر أن طرح العوا جاء كحل وسعد بعد رفض الهيئة العليا للحزب بالأغلبية مقترحاً بترشيح نائب المرشد، خيرت الشاطر، رئيساً للجمهورية، وتمسك القيادات الحسوية على جناح التنظيمين برفضها دعم عبدالنعم أبوالمفتوح، منعا لتجرؤ آخرين على الخروج من التنظيم، ومناطحة الجماعة والدخول في مواجهة عنيفة معها.»  
وأستبعد المصدر أن تقوض الجماعة قواعدها في اختيار مرشح لرئاسة الجمهورية لأن مؤيدي الجماعة والمصوتين لها رقم كبير تقاض به الجماعة ضمن أوراق كثيرة تستغلها في الكواليس المغلقة.  
وقال عضو الهيئة العليا لحزب الحرية والعدالة، حملي الجزائر، إن دوائر صنع القرار داخل الإخوان وحزبها السياسات لم تستقر حتى الآن على دعم مرشح رئاسي بعينه، وأن أسماء كل المرشحين الرئاسيين مطروحة على مائدة مجلس شورى الجماعة الثلاثاء المقبل، مشيراً إلى أن تأجيل الاجتماع ٥ أيام جاء لانتاحة مزيد من الوقت للتشاور قبل إعلان القرار النهائي للجماعة بشأن سياق انتخابات الرئاسة، مضيفاً: «كل المبادرات للجماعة ستناقش من قبل مجلس الشورى قبل حسم القرار بشكل نهائي.» ونفى الجزائر أن يكون أي من أعضاء الهيئة البرلمانية للحزب قد وقع لصالح ترشيح منصور حسن، الذي سبق وأعلن حصوله على توقيعات ١٠٠ نائب برلماني، مرجحاً أن يكون هذا العدد الكبير الذي حصل عليه حسن، من خارج الكتلة الإسلامية لنواب البرلمان.

Informed sources in the Freedom and Justice Party, political wing of the Muslim Brotherhood, said that members of the party's supreme committee are considering giving their support to Mohamed Selim Al-Awa in the coming presidential elections.

Sources told Al-Shorouk newspaper that giving support to Al-Awa is now one of the scenarios discussed by the Muslim Brotherhood as a solution to the crisis which threatens the integrity of the organization. They also suggested requesting him to run in elections with a vice president from the MB.

Helmi Al-Gazar, member of the FJP's supreme committee, told Al-Shorouk newspaper that until now there has been no agreement in the decision-making circles of the MB on the presidential candidate who will receive their support.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Dostour: Pages 1, 4; Al-Akbar: Pages, 3, 12.



Pages: 1, 6.  
 Authors: Mohamed Al-Gali and Naglaa Kamal.

### Egyptians Inflamed by Diesel Fuel Crisis



The crisis caused by the lack of diesel fuel in Cairo and other governorates resulted in long queues of cars around gas stations. The image of streets blocked by long lines of cars was seen all over the country.

The situation escalated as citizens started fighting, using white weapons, over the limited supply of diesel fuel left. Taxi and microbus drivers increased the transportation fees. Moreover, a number of gas stations in Assiut, Al-Gharbia, Al-Menoufia and Al-Qalyoubia witnessed armed robberies, while some people threatened to set gas stations on fire if the situation continued to remain the same.

The government pledged to resolve the situation as soon as possible. A spokesman for the Ministry of Petroleum stated that the fuel crisis is caused by smuggling gasoline, and not because of the short supply.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Masry Al-Youm: Pages 1, 4; Al-Shorouk: Pages 1, 5; Al-Gomhoria: Page 5.

## Egypt Awaits Response US Justice Ministry on Stolen Funds



Egypt's Ambassador to Washington Sameh Shoukri confirmed receiving requests from the Egyptian Ministry of Justice to pursue freezing the assets stolen from the country by the figures of the former regime.

In turn, the ambassador referred those requests to the US Ministry of Justice. The ambassador said that until now the US did not officially give any statements on the amount of stolen funds or bank accounts of former regime figures.

He said the two ministries are cooperating in this case through the Egyptian legal advisor in Washington.



## TV Coverage (23/03/2012)



**Channel: al-Hayah TV**  
**Program: al-Hayah al-Yom**  
**Broadcaster: Lubna Assal**

Amr Mussa officially a presidential candidate after being granted the 30 thousand approvals.



**Channel: al-Hayah II**  
**Program: Muntaha al-Saraha**  
**Broadcaster: Mustafa Bakri**

The two houses of parliament hold a session to choose the members of the Constituent Assembly.

The Cabinet expects a soon end to the fuel crisis in a maximum time of four days



**Channel: CH I**  
**Program: News**  
**Time: 3:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.**

PM Ganzouri meets the ministers of petrol and supply to discuss the current fuel crisis.

**Channel: CH I**  
**Program: News**  
**Time: 5:00 p.m.**

Peaceful demonstration from Tahrir Square to the High Court of Justice calling for holding presidential elections under the supervision of a civil authority.



## Links:

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## Radio Coverage (23/03/2012)



**News**

**Channel: Radio Masr**

The Cabinet expects a soon end to the fuel crisis in a maximum time of four days.  
(23:00:00)

Prime Minister holds an urgent meeting to regulate the distribution and consumption of fuel. (25:00:00)

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## Internet Coverage (24/03/2012)



### We are all Khaled Saeed

News: Police officers accused of killing protesters in the Cairo neighborhood of Wayly during the January revolution were acquitted.

The history and views of Mostafa Bakri. He is the man who will chair the committee that would supervise the voting and counting to elect members of the Constituent Assembly that would draft Egypt's post-revolution constitution. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9xlgHIOPjYA&feature=youtu.be>

A brotherly advice. [https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash3/528995\\_371495299567007\\_104224996294040\\_877877\\_697140456\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash3/528995_371495299567007_104224996294040_877877_697140456_n.jpg)

We will defeat those who killed our people, smuggled our money and destroyed our resources. Although, we are just starting up, we will eventually win, so will our revolution. The revolution continues. The revolution will win. [https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-prn1/558149\\_371535096229694\\_104224996294040\\_877963\\_2060964261\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-prn1/558149_371535096229694_104224996294040_877963_2060964261_n.jpg)

US State Secretary Hillary Clinton sends an official message to the Congress to inform Congressmen of her decision to "abandon US military aid terms to Egypt" which amount to \$1.3 billion annually.

The committee supervising the voting and counting processes to choose members of the Constituent Assembly that would write Egypt's constitution will be chaired by MP Mostafa Bakri!

A photo of Mostafa Bakri, the chairman of the committee supervising the voting and counting processes to choose members of the Constituent Assembly that would write Egypt's post-revolution constitution. [https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash4/318163\\_371474556235748\\_104224996294040\\_877793\\_1800357958\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash4/318163_371474556235748_104224996294040_877793_1800357958_n.jpg)

### Egyptian Cabinet

Assistant Interior Minister: The ministry is working on restoring law and order in the Egyptian street and ensuring that gasoline tanks reach gas stations. The ministry has confiscated yesterday 37,157 liters of smuggled gasoline at the black market.

Supply minister urged the military rulers to issue a decision to toughen penalties against those smuggling fuel. Remnants of the former regime have a big role in the current crisis, the minister said.



## The Muslim Brotherhood:

### Muslim Brotherhood Calls on Egyptian Authorities to Release Syrian Youth

The Muslim Brotherhood (MB) condemned the detention of a group of Syrian youths in Egypt, urging the Egyptian authorities to reconsider the detention decision and release them immediately.

Earlier, the Egyptian public prosecutor decided to detain a number of Syrian youths for 15 days, after they lay siege to the Syrian embassy in Cairo to protest the brutal massacres of the Syrian regime against their families in Syria.

In a statement, the MB said, "The truth is that all the atrocities committed in Syria right now – the continuous daily massacres, the bloody torture of old people, women and children, the destruction and siege of villages and towns, and depriving the people of the necessities of life – can move even the most callous obdurate heart, and provoke anyone into wrath".

"If masses of people turn out anywhere, in an emotional reaction to those bloody atrocities, protesting, revolting and condemning those crimes against defenseless civilians, they have every excuse to do so. Indeed, they would be doing a humane and moral duty. The situation with the Syrian people is even worse, as they see their children and their parents being brutally tortured, raped and killed", said the MB statement.

Further, the MB stressed that Egyptians' duty is to at least share the feelings of the Syrian people and condemn and protest the massacres and rapes, simply for the love of God, for our Muslim brothers and sisters. Then, detaining the young Syrian protestors is totally unacceptable according to all Islamic, human and Arab values, and completely inconsistent with valor, compassion and brotherhood.

The MB prayed God to protect Syria from all evil and to achieve the hopes of its people for freedom, dignity and sovereignty.



Twitter

### Wael Abbas:

I never fuel my car in Army-owned gas stations (Watanya) because the only time I did, their gas counter was not accurate.

[https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash3/541667\\_323686621018550\\_163279800392567\\_859811\\_1999817723\\_n.jpg](https://fbcdn-sphotos-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash3/541667_323686621018550_163279800392567_859811_1999817723_n.jpg)

### Asmaa Mahfouz:

Why no one is objecting to the way Katatni speaks to the MPs, even if we differ about their opinions??? It is insulting.

Is Okasha really nominated to be a member of the Constituent Assembly????

### Monasosh:

Who is behind the distribution of such banner in Port Said?!  
[https://m.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=353806478003715&set=a.290474511003579.84189.290432281007802&type=1&theater&\\_rdr](https://m.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=353806478003715&set=a.290474511003579.84189.290432281007802&type=1&theater&_rdr)

As if the blood spilled in the stadium was not enough. A new martyr: Bilal, 16 years. #Portsaid

The hearing of the Israeli embassy case is today. The ruling is expected to be out this week. The court looking into the case is the State Security Emergency Court, which means its rulings cannot be appealed!

### Iyad elbaghdadi:

Guys, the #ArabTyrantManual turns one today. We're having a twitter campaign for it this evening - who's in?

So guys, I've updated my Twitter bio. Check it out and tell me what you think?

OK guys let's get this started! Can we get #ArabTyrantManual to trend tonight?

A year ago today I tweeted: Help me compile an "Arab Tyrant's Standard Revolution Response Manual". What would be on it?" #ArabTyrantManual

So join us in retweeting, revising, suggesting more items, and suggesting analogies outside the Arab world! #ArabTyrantManual

Blame Aljazeera, then attack it, then shut it down in the country. #ArabTyrantManual



Say "We support the youths" (while your police force is beating the crap out of the youth) #ArabTyrantManual

Ignore events completely, realize late how serious things really are, and give a midnight speech to the nation. #ArabTyrantManual

Reshuffle the cabinet. Then reshuffle it again. #ArabTyrantManual

Get thugs out of jail, give them bludgeon type weapons, and let them loose upon the people. #ArabTyrantManual

Exile half your population. When the exiles support the protesters, say they have no right to protest from abroad. #ArabTyrantManual

When criticized for killing too many people, kill some more and blame it on Alqaeda. Act like it makes it all better. #ArabTyrantManual

Tell foreign media that you'd be crazy to order your own people killed. Don't mention who you consider to be your people. #ArabTyrantManual

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Former UN Atom Agency Chief: Attack Can't Stop Iran Nuclear Program - Tehran Bureau | FRONTLINE | PBS: <http://to.pbs.org/GVRV2X> ElBaradei.

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Saudi Arabia pushing Bahrain to solve crisis, fears Syria effect | Reuters: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/03/21/us-bahrain-saudi-syria-idUSBRE82K15720120321>

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Syrian refugees stranded on Syria-Jordan borders - ANSAMed.it: <http://bit.ly/GSGezB>

U.S. Department of State, U.S. Support for Egypt: <http://bit.ly/GSGezO> Spokesman statement on aid waiver

### Gsquare86:

Everything in this political "transitional" process is wrong. How can fuckin MPs be part of writing the constitution? This is a circus.

The Muslim Brotherhood statement shows how desperate it is to form a government.



## 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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