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Newspapers (01/04/2012)



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Author: Husam Zayid

Mubarak's Clinical Death Denied

مصدر طبي مسنول ينفي وفاة مبارك «إكينيكا»

كتب . حسام زايد:
نفي مصدر طبي مسنول بالمركز الطبي العالمي أمس وفاة الرئيس السابق محمد حسني مبارك إكينيكا أو تدهور صحته. مؤكداً انه يخضع لجميع الفحوص الدورية بشكل طبيعي ولا يوجد مؤشرات على تدهور في صحته وأن جميع نتائج تقاريره الطبية طبيعية مما يؤكد استقرار حالته الصحية. وأضاف المصدر أن الدكتور ياسر عبدالقادر طبيبه المعين من قبل المحكمة مازال يتابع حالته الصحية ويضع التقارير الطبية حولها مع الفريق الطبي المصاحب. وكان عدد من المواقع الطبية والقياس بوك قد تداول معلومة مفادها أن الرئيس السابق توفي أو الأقل توفي إكينيكا بالمركز الطبي العالمي.

Responsible medical sources at the International Medical Center denied rumors about former Egyptian President Mubarak's clinical death.

The sources asserted that Mubarak underwent regular medical checks, denying any deterioration in his health condition.



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Author: Many authors

Updates on Presidential Race



Potential Presidential Candidate Muhamamd Salim al-Awwa denied what was rumored about his withdrawal from the presidential race.

Hazem Abu Ismail said he was intending to assign three vice presidents if he was elected president. Abu Ismail, however said the vice president cannot be liberal, leftist, military of Copt. Abu Ismail said he was surprised at the number of approval he got from Copts, considering it a favor that he would never forget.

However, Abu Ismail is happy about the sarcastic campaigns launched against him on face book, saying that he loved the sense of humor.

A group was made on face book to deal sarcastically with Abu Ismail campaign and mock the numerous and wide spread posters in his campaign.

Al-Tajammui Party considers supporting Hicham al-Bastawisi in the presidential race.

Potential Presidential Candidate Ayman Nour said he was expecting the support of Muslims and Christians.

Potential Presidential Candidate Khalid ali wannred of the ongoing conflict between SCAF and the Muslim Brotherhood.



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Author: Amani Majid and Hani Izzat

The Muslim Brotherhood Backs al-Shater in Presidential Race

The Muslim Brotherhood decided to nominate Dr. Khairat al-Shater, vice general guide of the group to presidency.

An urgent meeting was held between the group's leaders, Shura Council and the Freedom and Justice Party, the political wing of the group. 57 members approved nominating al-Shater while 52 rejected.

On his part, al-Shater said he was not intending to be involved in any leading positions, however, he accepted according to the group's will.

The Muslim Brotherhood said the nomination of one its members was because of SCAF's hindering of the formation of a government that enjoys original authorities.

The second reason was the threats to solve the Parliament.

The third reason was the existence of potential candidates who belonged to the former regime.

The fourth reason, according to the Muslim Brotherhood was the attempts to hinder the Constituent Assembly.



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Author: Nashwa el-Hofi and Mohamed el-Gahrib

Awwa Denies Propagating for “Yes” During March Referendum under SCAF Orders



Presidential aspirant Mohamed Selim el-Awwa denied statements given by international law professor Ali el-Ghatet that he (Awwa) was assigned by the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) to propagate for “Yes” during the public referendum on constitutional amendments that was held in March 2011.

According to Ghatet, Awwa had told him over the phone that he would head to several cities and towns to convince the people to vote yes in the referendum upon the instructions of SCAF.

Awwa told Al-Masry Al-Yom newspaper that he indeed informed Ghatet that he would go the towns and villages but not at the behest of SCAF.



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 Author: Suzanne Atef and Khalaf Ali Hassan

Advisory Council Tackles Reservations on Constituent Assembly



The Advisory Council would hold a meeting on Sunday night to discuss reservations expressed against the composition of the Constituent Assembly that was assigned to draft the nation's new constitution.

Representatives of political powers and law experts were invited to the meeting to review their reservations over the constitution-drafting body, which was dominated by Islamists, said Advisory Council Secretary General Osama Burhan.



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Author: Magdi Abul-Enein

Court to Look into Nullifying Constituent Assembly Formation



The Administrative Court in Kafr El-Sheikh will examine on April 4 a lawsuit filed to nullify the Constituent Assembly because members of parliament make up 50% of its composition.

A lawyer, Adel el-Sharqawi, had filed the lawsuit against head of the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) Field Marshal Hussein Tantawi and speakers of the People's Assembly and Shura Council.

According to the petitioner, the formation of the Constituent Assembly violates Article 60 of the Constitutional Declaration.



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 Author: Fatma Zidan

McCain Concerned over SCAF-MB Tension

«ماكين»: أخشى من تولي عناصر متطرفة في «الإخوان» توجيه العملية الدستورية «الخارجية الأمريكية»: الشراكة الاستراتيجية بين مصر والولايات المتحدة لن تتأثر بتغيير نظام الحكم



كشفت صحيفة «واشنطن بوست» أن السيناتور الجمهوري جون ماكين، من ولاية أريزونا، الذي يشغل منصب نائب الرئيس الأمريكي، أعرب عن قلقه من أن تولي عناصر متطرفة في جماعة الإخوان المسلمين في مصر، توجيه العملية الدستورية في مصر. وقال ماكين في مقابلة مع شبكة «سي إن إن» إن ماكين قلق من أن تولي عناصر متطرفة في جماعة الإخوان المسلمين في مصر، توجيه العملية الدستورية في مصر. وقال ماكين في مقابلة مع شبكة «سي إن إن» إن ماكين قلق من أن تولي عناصر متطرفة في جماعة الإخوان المسلمين في مصر، توجيه العملية الدستورية في مصر.

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US Republican Senator John McCain said he was deeply concerned about the ongoing tension between Egypt's ruling military council and Muslim Brotherhood.

"The current tension between the military council and the Muslim Brotherhood may aggravate the situation in the country in the upcoming period during which the constitution will be drafted," US Senator John McCain said in an interview with the US-funded Radio Sawa.

"I'm deeply concerned about the possibility of an escalation of tensions and the occurrence of more confrontations and demonstrations [in Egypt]," said McCain. "However, the more important question is whether the Muslim Brotherhood will adopt a moderate approach, or if some of its extremist members will be directing the constitution-drafting process and the [presidential] elections."

Recent days have seen escalating tensions between the SCAF and the Brotherhood – featuring a heated exchange of threats and accusations – with the latter threatening to withdraw confidence from the SCAF-appointed government of Prime Minister Kamal El-Ganzouri.



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 Author: Gomaa Hamdallah and Mohamed el-Senhouri

Abu-Ismael Confirms: My Mother Does not Hold a Foreign Nationality



The Presidential Elections Commission said the documents of presidential candidate Hazem Salah Abu-Ismael are still under examination along with other six candidates, who filed their candidacy papers.

The Commission had asked the Foreign Ministry to inquire about the nationality of the candidates, including that of Abu-Ismael, and their parents and children, said Commission Secretary General Counselor Hatem Begato.

Abu-Ismael had filed a statement to the commission affirming that neither does he or his mother carry a foreign nationality, Begato said, adding the commission was still awaiting the Foreign Ministry's documents.

Abu-Ismael had garnered 45 proxies from members of parliament and more than 30,000 proxies from the citizens.



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Author: Safwat Omran

MB Fields Shater in Presidential Polls



The Muslim Brotherhood and its political wing the Freedom and Justice Party (FJP) had announced the nomination of Khayrat el-Shater, the deputy of the MB supreme guide, for the presidency.

In a statement, read out by the secretary general of the party's parliamentary bloc, Mahmoud Hussein, the nomination of Shater for the presidential elections is not a retraction from the group's former decisions not to field a candidate in the polls but a bid to fulfill the demands of the January revolution.

According to the group, the nomination was necessary after the transitional period had been faced with attempts to divert its democratic path.

MB Supreme Guide Mohamed Badea said that as soon as Shater knew about his nomination, he tendered his resignation from his post in the group.

Fights over Fuel Continue



Shortage of diesel fuel crisis continued to escalate in many governorates around the country. Gas stations witnessed long queues that extended to tens of miles in some areas.

Violent clashes erupted in Aswan after some drivers sat a gas station on fire to revenge from gas station workers who smuggle the subsidized fuel to sell it in the black market.

In Sohag, some drivers smashed the equipments of one of the gas stations and the place remained closed for three days until police forces regained control over the area again.

The violent scenes were spotted in other areas as citizens were angered by the continuous shortage of diesel fuel.



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Authors: Al-Walid Ismail and Rabab Fares.

Everyone Will Know If Mubarak Died



“If Mubarak died, everyone will certainly know because such news cannot remain hidden,” said Dr. Yaser Abd Al-Qader, head of the medical team following-up the medical conditions of the ousted president.

Rumors spread yesterday of the ousted president’s death, while head of the International Medical Center responded by confirming that Mubarak’s health is “stable.”

Activists Begin Sit-in to Demand Freeing Political Prisoners



“Put in prison one person or one hundred, we will never abandon our cause,” chanted political activists who began an open-ended sit-in in front of the Ministry of Justice to demand freeing political prisoners.

A number of revolutionary forces are participating in the sit-in including; Kefaya movement, Arab Revolution Youth, April 6 and Youth for Justice and Freedom movements. Young protesters set up their tents in front of the main gates of the ministry and hanged signs which read “Freedom for Ahmed Douma and Tarek Medhat;” two young political activists who were imprisoned over fabricated charges.

Other political activists announced they will begin a hunger strike to express their solidarity with their imprisoned colleagues.

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Authors: Yasmine Al-Geyoushi, Ahmed Sa'ed (and others).

No Walls Initiative



A number of protesters launched an initiative called “No Walls” to bring down all the walls erected by the army following the bloody clashes that took place near Tahrir Square. They said that these huge cement walls have blocked this vital area in Downtown Cairo and that because of them many people suffer to reach their work.

The initiative comes in response to the constant complaints by residents that these walls are blocking the area and paralyzing the traffic.

Young protesters brought down the huge wall in Kasr Al-Aini St. amid heavy security presence. Police forces stood behind steel barricades and barbed wires and said they will not interfere unless protesters attacked them.

“Why can’t SCAF and the government admit that the walls they erected are blocking the area and preventing people from work?” asked one of the young people in the campaign.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Akhbar: Page 8.



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Author: Mohamed Bassal and others

Abu Ismail and Abu Al-Fotouh Updates



Secretary General of Presidential Elections Commissions said potential presidential candidate Hazem Abu Ismail is the 7th candidate.

Abu Ismail said, in the conference he held the day before yesterday in Al-Shams Club, that he will choose three vice presidents if he wins.

He added the vice presidents would not be leftists, liberals, Copts, or armed forces members. He was also surprised at the number of approvals that he had got from Coptic citizens.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs received a formal letter to add Abu Ismail to the official presidential candidates lists in order to start its investigations about his family nationalities.

Potential presidential candidate Abu Al-Fotouh said he wanted to impose “Zakat” (one of the five pillars of Islam) under the supervision of the authorities, and putting taxes on luxury goods.



Pages: 1
 Author: Noha Ashour

Port Said Trial to Be on April 17



Head of the Ismailia Appeal Court decided to hold the first trial for the suspects in the Port Said bloody incidents on April 17 at the Police Academy premises in the 5th Settlement, New Cairo, instead of holding it at the Criminal Court in Port Said due to security reasons.

This venue was selected after the Public Prosecution inspected several sites.

The Public Prosecution investigations proved that 75 people were involved in the Port Said incidents, including 9 security directors in Port Said.

Similar News was reported in Al-Masry Al-Yoom Page 1



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 Author: Younes Darwish

Three Police Officers Sentenced to Prison



The Assiut Misdemeanors Court handed down a one year imprisonment sentence and an EGP 10,000 fine to a National Security police officer and a two-year sentence to two policemen.

The trio was found guilty of attacking a demonstration staged by Bar Association in Assiut , injuring three lawyers.



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 Author: not mentioned

MB and SCAF Tension Ends



The tension between the Muslim Brotherhood group and the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) ended after SCAF agreed to allow the Constituent Assembly to continue its work despite the withdrawal of some of its members.

The MB Shura (consultative) Council held a meeting to discuss their decision of withdrawing the confidence from the Kamal Al-Ganzory government.

Al-Shorouk Newspaper sources said some Freedom and Justice Party (FJP) and Al-Nour Parties representatives will hold a meeting with the Constituent Assembly members, who withdrew from the constitution-drafting body.



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Author: Dandarawi al-Hawari and others

SCAF-al-Nour Communications



Well informed sources reported on SCAF's alleged threats to Islamists for not preserve the civil identity of the state.

Other sources reported on the alleged intentions of the Muslim Brotherhood and al-Nour Party not to support Abu Ismail in the presidential race by fear of establishing a theocracy.



Pages: 1
 Author: Jamal Said

Eight Copts Dead in the Crowds



Eight Copts died in the crowds while heading to visit the tomb of Late Pope Shenouda III the former Patriarch of the Coptic Orthodox Church.

Copts flock to visit the tomb of the late pope as a benediction and for praying.



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Author: Ezzat Mostafa

Legal Measures to be Taken against Potential Candidates Violating Commission's Rules



Senior Judge Farouk Soltan, head of the Presidential Elections Commission, addressed the Ministry of Interior and Cairo's governor requesting them to take legal actions against potential presidential candidates who violated the rules of the presidential elections law by spreading their posters in the streets.

Hatem Bagato, secretary general of the commission, stated that Hazem Abu Ismail presented 30.000 forms of endorsement so far and the commission will review the rest of forms to declare their final numbers. Abu Ismail's supporters confirm that he was able to collect more than 150.000 forms of endorsement.



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Author: Mohamed Al-Shami.

External Plots to Destroy Egypt

أعضاء المجلس العسكري في ندوة بجامعة المنوفية، مخططات خارجية لإسقاط مصر بالفوضى الخلاقة

المنوفية - محمد الشامي:
أكد اللواء أركان حرب محمد نجاتي، عضو المجلس العسكري أن مصر مستهدفة من قوى خارجية تسعى لإسقاط الدولة عن طريق ما يسمى بالفوضى الخلاقة. جاء ذلك خلال ندوة بجامعة المنوفية تحت عنوان «مخططات يثير الفوضى الخلاقة» ومشروها عدد من أعضاء المجلس العسكري. وأشار أعضاء المجلس إلى أن هناك مشروعات خارجية تهدف إلى تقسيم

دول المنطقة العربية ومنها مشروع برنارد لويس ١٩٨٢ ومشروع شومون بوزين وفيرهم. وقال اللواء حرب محمد نجاتي أن مصر محط الطائر العالم الغربي الذي يطبع في فرض سيطرته عليها وهو ما تكرر في الماضي عبر حقب مختلفة من التاريخ وخاضت مصر العديد من الحروب لكنها بارادة الشعب والجيش استطاعت التصدي لكل الطامع. كما أوضح اللواء أركان حرب طلعت موسى أن هناك العديد من المخططات

الغربية الراجية إلى السيطرة على المنطقة العربية عن طريق نشر ما يسمى بالفوضى الخلاقة وإسقاط الدولة من الداخل باتت مع سياسة القوى الناعمة. من جانبها أكدت العقيد هشام فتحي عبدالفتاح مدير التربية العسكرية بجامعة المنوفية أن مصر تملك ثروات هائلة أهمها الثروة البشرية والتي وحسبها الطاقة والقوى ما يجعلها لتحقيق التقدم المنشود ويضمن لها نقلة نوعية في عديد من المجالات خلال السنوات القادمة.

Major General Mohamed Nagati, SCAF member, confirmed, during a conference held at Al-Menoufia University, that Egypt is threatened by foreign powers who want to destroy the country through “creative chaos.”

A number of SCAF generals attended the conference and they stressed that there are many external plots which aim at dividing some of the Arab countries, including Egypt.

Major General Tal’at Moussa said foreign powers want to disrupt Egypt’s stability from inside using soft power.



TV Coverage (31/03/2012)



Program: Al-Hayat Al-An
Channel: Al-Hayat
Host: Maha Bahnasy

The Advisory Council will hold a meeting tomorrow to discuss the Constituent Assembly Crisis.

Members who withdrew from the Constituent Assembly decided to form a Civil Parallel Constituent Assembly.

Program: Al-Hayat Al-Yoom
Channel: Al-Hayat
Host: Lobna Asal

Former MP Alaa Abdel-Moniem said the Muslim brotherhood should have preferred the country's interests instead of their own interests.

Mohamed Anwar Farahat, constitution expert said the citizens got used to the Muslim Brotherhood always saying something and doing the opposite.

Refaat Al-Saeed, Head of Tagmoua' Party said the Muslim Brotherhood dominated both Shura Council and the People's Assembly and that they were seeking to win the presidency race.

Head of al-Adl Party MP Mostafa Al-Naggar said disagreements took place between the Muslim Brotherhood members after nominating Al-Shater.

A lot of Muslim Brotherhood group members resign from the group after nominating Khayrat Al-Shater for president.



Program: Momken
Channel: CBC
Host: Khairy Ramadan

Guests:

Khaled Salah, Editor-in-Chief of Al-Yoom 7 Newspaper.

Gamal Enyat, Editor-in-Chief of Al-Alam Al-Yoom.

Muslim Brotherhood decides to nominate Khayrat Al-Shater for President.



The Coptic Orthodox Church delays its decision regarding the withdrawal from the Constituent Assembly until the end of elections of the Holy Synod.

Presidential Elections Commission demands Ministry of Foreign Affairs to investigate into the nationalities of presidential candidate Hazem Abu Ismail and six other candidates.

Program: Hona Al-Asema

Channel: CBC

Host: Lamis Al-Hadidy

Dr. Mostafa Kamel Al-Sayed, political science lecturer said all the political powers should seek to elect a civil president who is not a part of any religious party.

Dr. Moataz Abdel-Fatah, member of the Constituent Assembly said he withdrew from the Assembly due to the Islamist domination.

MP Mohamed Anwar Al-Sadat said SCAF met with the political parties to end the disagreement regarding the Constituent Assembly.



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Channel 1 "State TV"

Time: 5:00 PM

Presidential Elections Commission discusses the new rules to face the violation of the electoral silent period.

Program: Sabah Al-Kheir Ya Masr

Channel 1 "State TV"

According to Al-Shorouk Newspaper: the clashes between Islamic parties and civil powers haven't achieved any results.

According to Al-Gomhoreya Newspaper: The people reject the Constituent Assembly.

According to Al-Tahrir Newspaper: the members who withdrew from the Constituent Assembly want to guarantee that no given trend dominates the drafting of the constitution in order to reconsider their withdrawal.

According to al-Ahram Newspaper: Hazem Abu Ismail supporters trigger the competition in the presidential race.

According to al-Dostour Newspaper: the Muslim Brotherhood escalates the situation against PM Kamal Al-Ganzory and they told him to resign instead of withdrawing confidence from his government.



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Radio Coverage (31/03/2012)



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Channel: Radio Masr

Time: 9:00 PM

Calm in Tahrir Square after the end of the demonstrations against the Constituent Assembly.



News

Channel: Al-Shark Al-Awsat

Time: 23:00:00

The Muslim Brotherhood nominates Khayrat Al-Shater for president.



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Internet Coverage (01/04/2012)



We Are All Khaled Saeed:

The Muslim Brotherhood group retracts on its former decision and nominates Khayrat el-Shater for the presidency.

Al-Masry Al-Yom: Khayrat el-Shater resigns from the Muslim Brotherhood group after being nominated by the group for the presidency.



Twitter

@AsmaaMahfouz

"We All Shaimaa Alawady #onemillionhijab<http://pic.twitter.com/R1IVviVH>"

"The world cannot wait, stop regulating guns, say YES to the arms trade treaty #agm12"

"I'm Shaima

Alawady #onemillionhijab #shaimaalawady<http://pic.twitter.com/haXPZK0X>"

I'm glad that Khairat Al-Shater decided to run for presidency. This way people will see the reality of the Muslim Brotherhood and the revolution will be alive in Tahrir Square soon.

@Monasosh

Ahmed Douma's trial will be today, Sunday, his supporters will gather in front of the Journalists Syndicate at 8:00AM and there will be buses to take them to the court. #FreeDoma

"Turns out the script for the political scene in Egypt is written by an Egyptian version of the writer of "Desperate housewives"

Law experts please explain to us: Does Khairat Al-Shater have the right to run for presidency or does he require a general amnesty from previous charges first?
<http://bit.ly/H3QQ9Y>

I spend so much time in the Ultras Ahlawy sit-in and they are doing great efforts.

@Arabist

"Wikipedia entry on Shater seems to have been updated by a fan:http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Khairat_El-Shater"

"In guffaws, MB leaders confess: Shater nomination was an April fool's joke. #gotcha"



“For the light to come back: <http://bit.ly/H5Xwcq> Great post on security reform by Sandmonkey.”

“The MB asks, in response to reactions to Shater candidacy, "Why do they hate us?" RT [@Ikhwanweb](#).”

“I remember Katatny telling me in 2008 that if he could start a political party he would resign from MB.”

“Shater is the first candidate to have a quasi-official association with a political party.”

@Iyad_ElBaghdadi

“The most deeply significant [#Arab Spring](#) revolution is one that hasn't happened yet. Palestine.”

“A Palestinian Spring would be a major embarrassment to US foreign policy, esp. Obama.”

“I can no longer find a Palestinian (myself included) who supports either Fatah or Hamas.”

“When you look at [#Libya](#) the real question to ask isn't why there's violence still, but why things aren't nearly as bad as they could be.”

“Too many initiatives in the Muslim world seek to cure the sickness by killing the patient.”

“I've lived a refugee all my life but you know what's worse? Being a refugee & on the run in your own country. [#Syria](#)”

“It seems to me that we have a "cramming culture". We fail to infuse enough inspiration and adventure daily so we "cram" it once a year.”

“Those who are prepared to trade liberty for security deserve neither.”

@Ghonim

“Changing positions due to new circumstances” is the excuse every politician around the world uses to justify why they cannot fulfill their political promises: <http://on.fb.me/HzRSim>

If the Muslim Brotherhood claims that they seek to participate with other political forces rather than dominate the political scene, then I wonder how things would be if they actually want to dominate!

@WaelAbbas

I'm a member of the Muslim Brotherhood means “I am a sheep!”

@Gsquare86



"And so I hesitantly confess: I am Egyptian, I am half Jewish, and I am gay." Omar Sherif Jr. <http://is.gd/Pj4TRB> .Remove all labels & B U!"

"I haven't seen any avatars change yet for Al Shatter..Zooma is still winning on the ground: D"

"So Awa withdraws while Wafd and Noor party support the MB candidate Al Shatter"

"[Al Awa,Al Shatter, Zooma, Abu Fatouh] [Suliman, Amr Mousa, Shafick] [Ayman Noor, Bothiana Kamel] [Hamdeen, Al Hariri, KhaledAli, Bastawisi]"

I feel pity for our revolution now!



▪ 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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