



# News Coverage

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### MB Negotiates with Abu Ismail

## الإخوان يفاوضون أبو إسماعيل للتنازل مقابل منصب نائب الرئيس

### الوفد يدعم عمرو موسى رسمياً ويدعو القوى الوطنية للوقوف خلف مرشح مدني

#### مشادات في أول مؤتمر جماهيري للشاطر.. والأشعل يتنازل له

القاهرة، منسوب الأهرام - أش، أ. كشف أعضاء في مجلس شورى جماعة الإخوان المسلمين لوكالة أنباء الشرق الأوسط عن سماع حاكم في طريقها للإعلاء المرشح حازم صلاح أبو إسماعيل للتنازل مقابل قبوله منصب نائب مرشح الجماعة خيرت الشاطر وكان أبو إسماعيل قد ظهر في وقت سابق، حيث تنازل لخدمة مرشح الإخوان قبل الإعلان عن الساعي الجديدة والمؤسسات وكتب من جديد ماورده الشيخ طارق يوسف إمام سعيد، ألقى الخطاب بتهنئة من أن واقعة أبو إسماعيل تحمل الجنسية الأمريكية، وقد على المستشار حاتم بشار الأمين العام للجنة الانتخابات الرئاسية

الشهادات التي تردت بأن اللواء عمر سليمان، أو وكلاء صوبه بخصر إلى طار اللجنة أمن القديم أدرك أن ترشحه وفي ظهر مهم فور حيز الأقد دعم عمرو موسى في الانتخابات الرئاسية، وجاء القرار بأغلبية الأصوات بعد الاجتماع المشترك للهيئتين العليا والبرلمانية للحزب أمن وعلمت

الأهرام إن ٤ أشخاص رفضوا دعم موسى، ودعا الوفد القوى الوطنية للوقوف خلف مرشح مدني. وقد حشد أول مؤتمرا جماهيريا دعم الشاطر مشادات ومشادات بين الحضور ما بين مؤيد ومعارض لترشح الشاطر، فمن حين ردد بعض الشباب عتابات مؤيدة للمرشح أبدي الآخرون

منازلة بوشطن تسفير رسيان جواز سفر امريكى محتفل لوالدة ابواسماعيل

صرح مصدر مطلع بوزارة الخارجية لـ «الأهرام» بأن اللجنة العليا للانتخابات طلبت من الوزارة الاستفسار عن جواز السفر الامريكى رقم ٥٠٦١١٣٨٩م بالاسميدة نوال عبد العزيز فور من موافقة ٢ أغسطس ١٩٦٦ معلومة ما إذا كان ينحس ووالدة المرشح حازم ابو اسماعيل ام لا. وعلمت الأهرام أن سفارتنا بوشطن قدمت طلبا رسميا للاستعلام عن حصول والدة ابواسماعيل على الجنسية الامريكى.

مخاوبهم من أفضل في الانتخابات، ومن قبله تتناول دعواته الأشعل عن الترشيح لخدمة الشاطر نائبا لوجود أي مسافات مع الإخوان. وأكد محمد الفتاحي عضو المكتب التنفيذي للحرية والعدالة أن جماعة الإخوان وقعت في القاع بترشيحها للشاطر، وأنه من المهم أن يتحملا رسميا مسيئة الوطن ككافة

وفي واشنطن، أعلنت الولايات المتحدة وقوفها على الحياد بشأن الانتخابات الرئاسية، وقالت للجنة باسم وزارة الخارجية إن واشنطن لا تريد مريحا على آخر، وهددت على أن الشعب المصرى ومن سينتار رئيسه.

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Some Muslim Brotherhood (MB) Shura Council members said they negotiated with presidential candidate Hazem Abu Ismail to convince him to withdraw from the presidential race in favor of Khairat al-Shater, and accept the position of the Vice President. But Hazem Abu Ismail refused.

Presidential candidate Hazem Abu Ismail denied news about his mother being an American national.

Disagreements took place and verbal clashes took place between al-Shater's supporters and his opponents in the first meeting of the Muslim Brotherhood after the nomination of Khairat al-shater for presidency.

Presidential candidate Dr. Abdullah Al-Ashasal said he would withdraw from the presidential elections for El-Shater, adding that his decision had nothing to do with the rumors about an alleged deal with the Muslim Brotherhood.

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 Author: Amany Maged and others

### Attempts to end Constituent Assembly Crisis Fail



All mediation attempts to end the Constituent Assembly Crisis have failed.

MP and member of the Constituent Assembly Waheed Abdel-Mageed said some suggestions were offered to the members who withdrew from the constitution-drafting body, like adhering to Al-Azhar document, replacing some members of Al-Nour and Freedom and Justice Parties with members from different political powers.

Head of Al-Wafd Party had officially announced the party's withdrawal from the Constituent Assembly.

Al-Azhar as well insisted on withdrawing despite the suggestions.

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Author: not mentioned

### Field Marshal Meets with US House of Representatives Delegation



Head of the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) Field Marshal Hussein Tantawi met with a delegation from the US House of Representatives to discuss the developments in Egypt.

The meeting also took up means to strengthen US-Egyptian ties in the upcoming period.

Similar news was reported in Al-Akhbar Page 3



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Author: Khaled Abu Al-Ezz and others

### Presidential Elections Nomination Door will close on Sunday

#### غلق باب الترشح، الأحد، وإعلان قائمة المرشحين، الاثنين... القبض على المعتزات اللطاف، والقطعات الأربعة، والقبض على سعد الصغير سحب أوراق الترشح... والقبض على المهدي المنتظر، إمام اللجنة العليا

The image shows a collage of news articles from a newspaper. At the top, there are two photographs: one showing a group of people, and another showing a man in a military-style uniform. Below the photos are several columns of text in Arabic, with various headlines. The main headline at the top of the collage reads: "غلق باب الترشح، الأحد، وإعلان قائمة المرشحين، الاثنين... القبض على المعتزات اللطاف، والقطعات الأربعة، والقبض على سعد الصغير سحب أوراق الترشح... والقبض على المهدي المنتظر، إمام اللجنة العليا". Other smaller headlines include "غلق باب الترشح، الأحد" and "إعلان قائمة المرشحين، الاثنين".

The Presidential Elections Commission head said the nomination door will be closed on Sunday and the official presidential candidates will be announced on Monday.

On April, the commission will receive contestations on the presidential candidates and the final results will be announced on April 11.

Counselor Hatem Begato, Presidential Elections Commission Secretary-General, said neither Omar Soliman nor his representative came to the Commission’s premises to draw the presidential elections application.

egato added that he did not receive any official documents regarding the nationality of presidential candidate Hazem Abu Ismail’s mother

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Author: Alaa Abdullah

### 2,000 Proxies in Kafr Al-Sheikh for Omar Soliman



The Notary Public office in Kafr Al-Sheikh governorate witnessed a huge crowd yesterday and received about 2,000 endorsements for former vice president and former intelligence chief Omar Soliman.

Soliman's electoral campaign said Soliman will submit his candidacy papers on Saturday April 7.



### Pop Star to Run for President



Popular singer Saad el-Soghayar headed to the Presidential Elections Commission on Tuesday to collect the official application documents necessary for the presidential elections.

A large crowd and folklore music accompanied Soghayar and his band on their visit to the Commission.

The pop star said he has collected 30,000 proxies from the citizens.

He said a press conference will be held within 48 hours to address the unexpected reasons behind his intention to run for president.

He added his presidential agenda is ambitious and includes several priorities important to the common citizen, with a full healthcare-for-all system at the frontline of these priorities.

He said he would ban the export of natural gas with Israel and will sever ties with it until it recognizes the state of Palestine.



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 Author: Mohsen Samika

### Crisis in Wasat Party after Leader Backed Presidential Candidate



A crisis erupted in Al-Wasat Party after its leader Abul-Ela Madi announced his support for presidential candidate Abdel-Moneim Abul-Fotouh.

The crisis broke out because the party had announced earlier its official support of presidential aspirant Mohamed Selim el-Awwa.

Madi's statements express his own and do not represent the party, which chose to back Awwa, said party deputy chairman Mohamed el-Semman.

### US Embassy Denies Talks Held with MB over Presidential Candidature



The US Embassy in Cairo denied reports claiming to characterize meetings that US Senator John McCain and US Ambassador to Egypt Anne Patterson held with the Muslim Brotherhood during the Senator's recent visit to Cairo.

“There was no discussion of whether the Muslim Brotherhood would or should run a candidate in the upcoming presidential election in Egypt,” the embassy said in a press release.

McCain and Patterson were not asked for their support, nor did they offer their support, for such a proposal from the Muslim Brotherhood, it said.

“The question of who will run for office in Egypt is an internal matter that is entirely up to the Egyptian people. The United States takes no position on this subject,” it added.

“The United States will continue to support the Egyptian people and their goal of a democratically-elected civilian government that respects universal human rights, including the protection of women, minorities and the press, and will help them address their economic challenges and meet their aspirations for dignity, freedom and a better life,” it noted.

### Shafiq: Mubarak Still My Idol



Presidential aspirant Ahmed Shafiq said former president Hosni Mubarak was still his idol because he (Mubarak) knew how to separate between work and human relations.

In a TV interview on Al-Hayat TV, Shafiq said he could withdraw from the presidential race if former intelligence Chief Omar Soliman announced his official nomination.

There is nothing wrong with giving space to someone more competent in running state affairs, Shafiq said.

## Military Court Sentences Army Officer to 6 Years in Prison



A military court handed down a six-year prison term against Major Ahmed Shoman and ordered the delay of his promotion.

The court charged Shoman of bad conduct, disobeying orders and giving political opinions to the media.

Shoman was arrested on February 10, 2011, before the ouster of President Hosni Mubarak at Tahrir Square. He joined the protesters while putting on his military uniform.



### Presidential Aspirant Withdraws from Race for MB Nominee



Presidential aspirant Abdullah el-Ashaal announced his withdrawal from the presidential race in favor of Muslim Brotherhood nominee Khayrat el-Shater.

Ashaal said he was the one who contacted Chairman of the Freedom and Justice Party, the political arm of the MB, Mohamed Morsi to inform him of the decision.

A press conference was held on Tuesday at the MB premises to announce the news.



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Author: Abd al-Rahman Abu Auf

### Salafist al-Nour Supports al-Shater



Salafist al-Nour Party declared supporting the Muslim Brotherhood’s candidate Khairat al-Shater in the presidential race.

Ahmad Khalil, al-Nour’s information spokesman stated that al-Nour supported al-Shater a candidate who had high potentials that would achieve a comprehensive renaissance.



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Author: Wael Fayez, Ahmad Ghunaim and Muhammad al-Sawi

### Political Players Call for a Mass Demonstration against the Constituent Assembly



31 political parties and movements called for a mass demonstration in front of the State Council to protest against the Constituent Assembly. The protests follow wide protests and withdrawals from the assembly that is dominated by the Parliament majority.

Head of the Islamic Research Academy Ahmad al-Tayyib reiterated the Azhar’s rejection of the Assembly in spite of the Freedom and Justice’s offer to increase the representation of the Azhar in the assembly.

On the other hand, the Democratic Egyptian Party, the Free Egyptians Party and the Public Alliance announced their final withdrawals from the assembly after the Freedom and Justice Party had refused to reform the assembly.

Constitution for all Egyptians Front called Islamists’ promises of fair representation “fake” and called for a mass protest in front of the State Council on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 to support the lawsuit filed against the Constituent assembly.

## The General Guide will not Have Authority



Heads of the Freedom and Justice Party Muhammad Mursi asserted that the nomination of al-Shater was not a deal between SCAF and the Muslim Brotherhood, asserting that the decision to nominate Khairat al-Shater was due to realistic changes that's had taken place over the past period. On the tops of these reasons was the alleged failure of the Ganzouri's government to administrate the transitional period.

Mursi asserted that the General Guide of the group will not have any authorities on al-Shater if the later won the presidential race, stating that al-Shater had resigned from his post as vice general guide of the group.



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Author: Ahmad Ghunaim, Ahmad Gabr and Hussein Abd al-Hamid

## Thirty Thousand Endorsements for Omar Suleiman



The official presidential campaign of Omar Suleiman, former head of the Intelligence Service, announced gaining 31 thousand endorsements in 15 governorates, a number that enable Suleiman to be a presidential candidate.

Close sources to Suleiman declared that the Suleiman was waiting to finish some personal issues before announcing his will to run the elections to the public.

Suleiman is currently holding meetings with close friends to agree on the priorities of the protocol of his campaign. Suleiman is also meeting high-ranked politicians.



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Author: Rana Mamdouh.

## Article 28 of Tyrannical Constitutional Heritage

**المادة 28 من ميراث الاستبداد**

«القضاء الإداري»: المادة تعوق القضاء عن ممارسة اختصاصه في رقابة قرارات «العليا للرئاسة»

كتبت: رنا معدوح

رغم عدم اختصاصها بإلغاء المادة 28 من الإعلان الدستوري، فإن محكمة القضاء الإداري برئاسة المستشار علي فكري لم تفتقر فرصة عرض وجهة نظرها من المادة 28 من الإعلان الدستوري التي تقلل من القضاء الإداري عن ممارسة اختصاصه في رقابة مشروعية قرارات لجنة الانتخابات الرئاسية، بما يقلل يد القضاء، عموماً المحكمة القائمة في حينها، حكماً استناداً إلى عدم جواز نظر الدعوى القضائية المطالبة من أحد المرشحين ضد اللجنة العليا للانتخابات الرئاسية لإلغاء المادة 28 التاممة بالتحاليل الواجب توأمة في النموذج المعتمد من قبل لجنة الانتخابات الرئاسية؛ إن الإعلان الدستوري الذي أصدره المجلس الأعلى للقوات المسلحة بتاريخ 30 مارس 2011، بالمخاطبة للنتيجة الأستفهام الذي وافق عليه الشعب بتاريخ 19 مارس 2011، والذي جرى العمل به من يوم التصويت السابق عام 1951، قد تضمن النص على صيانة وكفالة حق النقضات وعلى حق كل مواطن في التجرد إلى

قاضيها الطبيعي، وحظر في المادة 28 من الإعلان، النص على القوائيم على تعيين أي عمل أو قرار إداري من رقابة القضاء، كما أسند إلى مجلس الدولة ولاية التمسك في المنازعات الإدارية وتنس في المادة 28 على تشكيل لجنة التوازي الإشرافي على الانتخابات رئاسة الجمهورية، بما منحت باب الترشح وحتى إعلان النتيجة. المحكمة أكدت أن عدم اللجنة، وإن كانت مشكلة من القضاء، فبما وسبب طبيعة عملها وإفهامها من تشكيلها من لجنة تخصص بالعمل إدارية وما يصدر عنها من قرارات هي سبيل أداء عملها بعد بلوغه قرارات إدارية، وكان من المفترض أن تخصص تلك القرارات لرقابة القضاء، ممثلة في محاكم مجلس الدولة باعتبارها من القرارات الإدارية التي لا يجوز تخمسها من رقابة القضاء، إلا أن الإعلان الدستوري تضمن في المادة 28 أن قرارات لجنة الانتخابات الرئاسية غير قابلة للتعلم عليها بأي طريق، وأما أن هيئة، وحظر التعرض لقراراتها بوقف التنفيذ أو الإلغاء، ومنع المعلم من عدم القرارات وهو ما يعد، بحسب المحكمة، من ميراث الاستبداد.

The Supreme Administrative Court, headed by Senior Judge Ali Fekri, criticized Article 28 of the Constitutional Declaration, which prevents the court from exercising their role in overseeing the decisions of the Presidential Elections Commission.

The Supreme Administrative Court issued a verdict in one of the cases filed by a potential presidential candidate who demanded eliminating Article 11 of the Constitutional Declaration related to the endorsement forms of the Presidential Elections Commission. “The Constitutional Declaration was issued by the Supreme Council of Armed Forces unilaterally on March 30, 2011, against the results of the referendum held on March 19, 2011, according to which people agreed to amend some of the articles of the 1971 Constitution,” said the court.

“Article 28 provides for forming a commission that supervises presidential elections. Although this commission is formed by judges, its role and tasks are primarily administrative. Thus, all the decisions issued by this commission should be subjected to the supervision of the Supreme Constitutional Court,” explained the court.



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Authors: Mohamed Al-Ramah, Rabab Fares (and others).

### MB Delegation in the US and Congressmen Visit MB



The Supreme Guide of the Muslim Brotherhood described the current situation as a “historical moment.”

Abd Allah Al-Ash’al, former assistant foreign minister, visited the headquarters of the Muslim Brotherhood to declare his withdrawal from presidential race in favor of MB’s presidential candidate Khairat Al-Shater.

“At the headquarters of the Muslim Brotherhood, an organization which I respect and consider it to be targeted, I announce withdrawing from presidential race and giving my complete support to Khairat Al-Shater,” said Al-Ash’al during the press conference he held with MB Supreme Guide Dr. Mohamed Badie and Head of the Freedom and Justice Party Dr. Mohamed Morsi.

Badie called on other potential presidential candidates to commit to fair competition, “We should always remember this great example of altruism and self-denial,” he said referring to Al-Ash’al’s decision.

A group of US congressmen visited Cairo to discuss the new political developments in the country. US Congressman David Dreier met MB’s presidential hopeful Khairat Al-Shater. Al-Shater confirmed to the US delegation his commitment of women’s and minority rights and the peace treaty with Israel.

At the same time, a delegation of the MB visits Washington to attend several discussions and meetings.



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Author: Mohamed Abu Zeid.

## Parliament Condones 100 Requests for Public Hearing



The People’s Assembly will schedule in its coming session on Sunday 10 new requests for public hearing on the performance of the prime minister and a number of ministers.

More than 100 requests for public hearing were presented so far by Members of the Parliament and none of them was taken into consideration for more than 60 days.

Parliamentary sources, who preferred not to be named, said the parliament condoned these requests because the Freedom and Justice Party wants to avoid any direct clashes with SCAF over the decision to withdraw confidence from El-Ganzouri.

“At the end of every public hearing, there are usually demands to withdraw confidence from a certain minister or withdraw confidence from the entire government. If the majority voted for withdrawing confidence from the government, then the government will be dismissed. This is what leaders of the parliament do not want to see. The Muslim Brotherhood does not want to go in bull fighting with SCAF because this might end in dissolving the parliament,” sources explained.

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Author: Not mentioned.

## Egypt Accepts Spain's Conditions to Hand over Hussein Salem



BBC reported yesterday that the Egyptian government accepted the conditions required by the Spanish judiciary to hand over Hussein Salem, fugitive businessman and one of the cronies of former president Mohamed Hosni Mubarak.

In a report published yesterday, BBC mentioned that Spanish judiciary received the Egyptian government's request to hand over the fugitive business. Spanish judiciary sent the plea of Salem's lawyer to the Egyptian government requesting assurances that Salem will receive a fair trial and his human rights will be protected.

An Egyptian judicial source said that Egypt agreed to these conditions but refused Salem's lawyer's request to be tried before another court, different from the court which found him guilty.



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Author: Nermin abd al-Zahir and others

## Last day for Egyptian Expats to register as voters



Today is the last day of for expatriate Egyptians to register for voting in the presidential elections.

81 Egyptians were registered in Israel, 21 in Iran 211 thousands in Saudi Arabia, 101 thousand in Kuwait and 50 thousand in the UAE.s

Egyptian expatriates will vote in the period between May 11 and May 17.



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 Author: Omnia Karim

**MB: Referendum on Constitution in Two Months**



The new constitution of the country will be put up for a public referendum within two months, said Muslim Brotherhood MP Sobhi Saleh.

Article 2 of the Constitution will not be amended or removed, Saleh, a member of the parliament’s Legislative Committee, said.



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 Author: Ashraf Sharaf

### Shater and Katatni Still MB Members



People’s Assembly Speaker Saad el-Katatni and “former” deputy supreme guide of the Muslim Brotherhood Khayrat el-Shater are both members of the MB’s Shura (consultative) council, said MB member Medhat el-Hadad.

Addressing a rally held to support Shater’s bid for the presidency in Alexandria, Hadad said the supreme guide of the MB is an international post and is considered the leader of all MB members in nearly 80 countries around the world.

Hadad hailed the role of the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces in protecting the Egyptian revolution.



## TV Coverage (03/04/2012)



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

Islamic Research Academy refuses to reconsider their decision to withdraw from the Constituent Assembly.  
Holy Synod announces their withdrawal from the Constituent Assembly.

Hamdeen Sabahy, potential presidential candidate, will submit his candidacy papers next Friday.



**Program: Hona Al-Asema**  
**Channel: CBC**  
**Host: Lamis Al-Hadidy**

Al-Azhar and the Coptic Orthodox Church withdrew their representatives from the Constituent Assembly.



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

The Advisory Council demands SCAF to issue a new constitutional declaration to reform the Constituent Assembly.

Withdrawals of members from the Constituent Assembly continue and they said their decisions were final.

The Muslim Brotherhood is trying to negotiate with SCAF dismissing PM Kamal El-Ganzouri's government in return of withdrawing the nomination of Khayrat Al-Shater.

Hazem Abu Ismail, potential presidential candidate, decided to file a lawsuit against the Presidential Elections Commission.



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**Program: Yes'eed Sabahak**

**Channel 2 "State TV"**

**Hosts: Hend Rashad and Yasser Abdel-Hakim**

MP Mohamed Al-Beltagy refuses nominating Khairat El-Shater for presidency.

Muslim Brotherhood MP in Suez said nominating Khairat El-Shater for presidency was to stop PM Kamal El-Ganzouri's plans to destroy Egypt's economy.

Ahmed Shafik, potential presidential candidate, said he will withdraw from the presidential race in favor of Omar Suleiman, if he was nominated.

MP Waheed Abdel-Mageed said Al-Azhar's Document represents the basis for legislation.



## Radio Coverage (03/04/2012)



**News**

**Channel: Radio Masr**

Al-Azhar insists on its decision to withdraw from the Constituent Assembly. 18:00:00

The Holy Synod considers withdrawing from the Constituent Assembly. 20:00:00



**News**

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

Freedom and Justice Party announces complete satisfied with the Constituent Assembly members. 23:00:00

Head of al-Wafd Party accuses the Muslim Brotherhood of dominating all the vital institutions in Egypt. 23:00:00

General Guide of the Muslim Brotherhood Mohamed Badea' praised presidential candidate Abdullah Al-Ashaal's decision to withdraw from the presidential elections in favor of Khairat El-Shater. 20:00:00



## Internet Coverage (4/04/2012)

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### We Are All Khaled Saeed

The supreme guide of the Muslim Brotherhood, the chairman of the Freedom and Justice Party and presidential aspirant Abdullah el-Ashaal held a press conference to announce the withdrawal of Ashaal from the presidential race in favor of MB nominee Khayrat el-Shater.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ml48bdyhnuM&feature=youtu.be>

Writer Farouk Gewidea reportedly walks out from the Constituent Assembly. He was also a member of the committee formed to reconcile with other withdrawing members.

A message to those who seem not to care: Beware of the youth's wrath.

Presidential aspirant Ahmed Shafiq: Mubarak is still my idol after my father.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OR1LwQKVRgg>

### Egyptian cabinet

Ministry of Interior seizes 36 thousand liters of gas before selling them in the black market.



### Nawara Negm's Blog:

The April 8 Army Soldiers: I think what those soldiers did was stupid, not the smartest thing to do. They joined the civilian protesters while donning their army uniform but without their weapons. An army man should protect the civilians not the other way around. They should either have protested without the uniform or protested with the uniform and the weapons. They have put at stake civilian lives and many people have indeed died on April 8 because of them.

I had my doubts about them. I would not deny that I used to believe that the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) had made those soldiers join the protests to carry out a military coup like the one in the 1950s and thus ensure a "safe exit" for SCAF.

To this moment, yes I still doubt them. I know that they have been imprisoned for a year now, but first I really do not know any of them. Second, they do interviews with the press and update their Twitter accounts. I know this may be because of the state's laxity, but these are enough reasons for me to have doubts. I do not have any evidence or proof to substantiate my doubts but again I say these are personal fears.



Let us assume that they had good faith and wanted to tell Tantawi that the Army is not against the revolution, I have the right to fear the emergence of a new Abdel-Nasser.

Even if the soldiers had no intention to take over power, don't you think the people will come to them and say save us from SCAF?

I know if I was an Army soldier, I would be in a difficult situation; either I obey the orders and kill the people or I disobey them and be doomed. I could just simply tell my colleagues we will not shoot the people if orders were given to us to do so. Some of them may agree and some of course will report me and I could be executed for this. Maybe this did happen to some soldiers and we do not know anything about them. But what those "April 8" soldiers did was a show.

I cannot understand why they would go on a protest with their military uniform on; they could have taken it off, simply as that.

I want them to get out of prison. They have been punished enough. They did nothing to deserve this punishment, while the other officers who killed the protesters are acquitted.



Twitter

[@AsmaaMahfouz](#)

It is a very bad feeling that someone passes 30 while he does not have a job or any source of income. It is too bad that years are passing and this situation does not change in our country.

The first of a series of marches to the houses of martyrs: A march to the house of Martyr Ahmed Yousef on Thursday <http://www.facebook.com/events/275564215860946/> [#المجد للشهداء](#) [#E3tsam UA07](#)

I am reading now books on war strategies. It seems clear for me that SCAF is treating the Egyptian people as if it is the enemy's army. They are carrying out specific strategies to fight that enemy!

We must work harder to demand freedom for Ahmed Douma and the April 8 army officers.

[@Monasosh](#)

Revolutions learn from each other but so do despots. Human Rights Watch writes: Beating protesters and trying them before state security courts in Jordan <http://www.hrw.org/ar/news/2012/04/03>

If we were not following up on Essam Atta's case, we would have never known the circumstances of his death in prison. How many persons died unjustly that we don't know anything about?



So that we don't forget: Essam Ali Atta was a victim of unjust military trial who died in prison from torture by MOI officers: <http://youtu.be/ExFS6uJ97Rw> #Nomiltrials #Noscaf

### @Arabist

"Speaking here shortly "@jilliancyork: Panel is being webcast live NOW at <http://webcast.wvu.edu>, tune in! #wvuideas"

"Fascinating: Mb, Nour wants Abu Ismail to drop out robe levy to Shater. <http://www.egyptindependent.com/node/749231>"

"Incredible NASA images of Saudi Arabia's careless use of water | Grist: <http://bit.ly/HJ7qg3>"

"New on Arabist: Voter poll in Egypt <http://arb.st/HLW65m>"

### @Iyad\_El-Baghdadi

"Your content must be share-worthy in order to be shared. You can't break the law, only break yourself against it. #SocialMediaRevolution"

"We're really going through two simultaneous revolutions: the#ArabSpring & the #SocialMediaRevolution: <http://bit.ly/H7rXuj>"

"Fundamental human rights are, by definition, unconditional. If you don't believe in rights for everyone, you don't believe in them at all."

"I sometimes wonder which is worse punishment, the death penalty or 20 years in a maximum security American prison."

"The real issue of #feminism is empowerment. If women are empowered, the other problems will naturally start to disappear."

"May I add that #Egypt's women need to be empowered to kick the living crap out of men who dare harass them."

"What #Egypt's MB is doing is destroying the credibility of the MB everywhere. #Syria's MB probably first to get screwed over by this."

"Today I heard a journalist who refused to meet with#Syria MB based upon the reputation of #Egypt MB. Sad but true."

"In a healthy economy everyone gets relatively more prosperous. In a sick economy the poor & middle class suffer first & most."



“It's immoral for a society not to take care of its weaker members. It's also immoral for a member to not take care of himself if he can.”

[@WaelAbbas](#)

Radio Misr: Actor Tarek Al-Nahri Arrested over Incitement to Violence in Cabinet Headquarter Clashes.

[@Gsquare86](#)

“Be safe Egypt, no trouble while I am gone plz!”



## ▪ 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 U 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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