



# News Coverage

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Author: Khalid Abu al-Izz and Jamal Abu al-Dahab

### Presidential Candidates Questioned



The High Presidential Elections Commission decided to refer presidential candidates Amr Mussa, Abd al-Munim Abu al-Futouh and Muhammad Mursi to the General Prosecution to be questioned.

The three candidates are facing charges of violations in their campaigns.

The candidates had held electoral conferences in three universities; The Azhar, Asyout branch, al-Mansourah University and Asyout University.

The High Presidential Elections Commission had banned electoral campaigns in universities.



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 Author: many authors

### Bloody Clashes in Abbasiya



Egyptians followed up with the Abbasiyah incidents aghast. In yesterday’s early morning unidentified armed people tried to end the sit-in staged in the surrounding of the Ministry of Defense by force. The sit-in had continued for eight days, calling for amendments to article 28 of the Constitutional Declaration that makes the decisions of the High Presidential Elections Commission irrefutable. Protesters also called for dissolving the High Presidential Elections Commission.

The “massacre” of Abbasiyah left Egyptians in a state of panic and bewilderment. According to the Ministry of Health eight people were killed and 79 injured in the bloody clashes.

Meanwhile, eye witnesses asserted that 17 people were killed and 48 injured. Two protesters were found slaughtered near al-Nour Mosque in Abbasiyah.

Reacting to the incidents a number of presidential candidates decided to suspend their campaigns to protest the assaults against protesters.

The First Attorney General ordered an autopsy on seven of the dead bodies to identify the cause of death.

Meanwhile the security and Armed Forces succeeded in stopping the clashes between protesters and the unidentified attackers.

Presidential Candidate Hamaden Sabbahi rejected the bloodshed and the unacceptable violation of people’s rights to peaceful demonstration.

Presidential Candidate Khalid Ali blamed SCAF for the casualties, while presidential candidate Hussam Khair Allah decided to suspend his electoral campaign for three days.



Candidate Muhammad Salim al-Awwa warned of the perils of dragging Egypt to a civil war.

In his part, presidential candidate Amr Mussa warned of the distraction in dealing with clashes that might hinder the democratic change.

Classes were suspended in seven faculties in Ain Shams University in Abasiyah; the seven faculties are those of Medicine, Commerce, Science, Letters, Languages, Law and Information Technology.

Moreover, the Freedom and Justice Party, al-Nour Party, the Egyptian Social Democratic Party, al-Ad Party, al-Wafd Party, al-Hadarah Party and the Socialist Public Alliance Party withdrew from the meeting with SCAF yesterday as a protest against the Abbasiyah incidents.

Outside Cairo, demonstrations were organized in Alexandria to protest the incidents. The demonstration was not free of clashes between the demonstrators and people of Sidi Gaber district.

The People's Assembly condemned the incidents, and the Shura Council asserted people's right to peaceful demonstrations.

The Muslim Brotherhood's Freedom and Justice Party denounced the violent escalation of the incidents.

A number of political players and activists are to organize a march today in Sayyidah Zainab Square to protest the incidents.

The Azhar called all parties to stop the bloodshed immediately. In a communiqué issued yesterday, the Azhar called on all scholars, politicians, political powers and men of wisdom to intervene to stop the "calamity."

The Muslim Brotherhood blamed SCAF for the massacre and accused it of creating troubles before any elections. The Muslim Brotherhood called for dismissing the government. The Muslim Brotherhood also called SCAF not to interfere in forming the Constituent Assembly.

Head of Salafist al-Nour Party boycotted the meeting with SCAF and went to meet the protesters in Abbasiyah.

Many revolutionary powers warned of any delay in handing over the political power to an elected civil authority.

Similar news was reported in al-Shurouk, pp. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6



Pages: 4

Author: Muhammad Hijab

## Human Rights Organizations Accuses Islamists of Spreading Disorder

### منظمات حقوقية تتهم «إسلاميين» بإشاعة الفوضى

كتب - محمد حجاب:

واقدم المجلس العسكري بأنه المستول عن كل الأحداث، وأشار إلى أن الظاهر السليم هو أحد حقوق الإنسان وعلى الدولة توفير الحماية لهم وأكد شادي طلعت وتونس منظمة اتحاد المحامين الليبراليين أن ما يحدث الآن في العاصفة يسأل عنه تيار الإسلام السياسي فعليه بإنشاعة الفوضى في البلاد بمعاونة بعض الدول الخارجية. ودعا انصار الشيخ حازم أبو إسماعيل أن ينفردوا على الإخوان المسلمين لأنهم من قاموا بحول أفادة مصرين. وقال إن المجلس العسكري ليس له شأن في قضية استبعاد الشيخ حازم أبو إسماعيل من سياق الرئاسة.

تباينت ردود فعل المنظمات الحقوقية حول أحداث العاصفة. حيث اتهم البعض تيار الإسلام السياسي بإشاعة الفوضى في البلاد، وحمل البعض المجلس العسكري المسؤولية عن الأحداث نتيجة عدم وجود ملاحقة قضائية أو قانونية للمتشببين في أحداث مملكة سابقه ومحاسبتهم. وطلب المجلس العسكري باتخاذ إجراءات حاسمة تجاه المتشبهين وتوضيح موقفه، واتهم قيادات من جماعة الإخوان المسلمين بالتمريض على استخدام العنف وأوضح أحمد رافع مدير مركز هشام مبارك للقانون أن الاعتصام أمام وزارة الدفاع هو ترجمة لعدم وجود ملاحقة قضائية أو قانونية للمتشببين في أحداث سابقة مملكة ومحاسبتهم.

Humanitarian organizations showed different reactions to the Abbasiyah incidents. While some accused Islamist trends of spreading disorder, others blamed SCAF for the incidents because previous similar assaults had never been punished.

Humanitarian organizations called on SCAF to take decisive procedures towards the protesters and declare its stance openly.

Ahmad Raghieb, director of Hicham Mubarak for Law said the sit-in in front of the Ministry of Defense was a demonstration of the lack of legal prosecution of those who committed similar assaults in the past.

Raghieb also stressed people's right to peaceful demonstrations.

Shadi Talaat, head of the Liberal Lawyers Union blamed the Islamist trend for the incidents accusing them of spreading disorder in Egypt in collaboration with some foreign countries.

He also called the excluded presidential candidate Hazim Salah Abu Ismail's advocate to revolt against the Muslim Brotherhood because they were responsible for amending article 75, making it impossible of people who have non Syrian parents to run the presidential electins.



Pages: 1, 6  
Author: Abd al-Jawad Tawfiq

## Anan: We will not Allow the Fall of the Ministry of Defense



Lieutenant Sami Anan, vice president of SCAF declared that SCAF was considering handing over the power on May 24 if a candidate won the elections from the first round.

Anan asserted that the Armed Forces would never use violence with demonstrators and that it had no intentions to take any exceptional procedures. Anan stressed that SCAF had endured the offense and was blamed for any problem.

Anan also reiterated the Armed Forces' commitment to shoulder its responsibility in preserving people's security and defending people's causes.

"We will never permit the fall of the Ministry of Defense," said Anan, asserting that if some powers wanted to create clashes with the Armed Forces, the Armed Forces would never enter any clashes with the demonstrators. Anan asserted SCAF's belief in dialogue to solve any problem.



Pages: 7  
 Author: Khalid Abu al-Izz

### More than 100 People Questioned



Sources at the High Presidential Elections Commission reported that more than 100 people would be referred to the General Prosecution. The 100 people are facing charges of forgery. They forged approvals for more than one presidential candidate at the same time.

Moreover, there were approvals signed by people who were already dead.



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Pages: 1, 9.

Authors: Yosri Al-Badri, Goma Hamadallah (and others).

### 3 Armed Attacks in Sinai



Three armed attacks took place yesterday in the border area of Rafah in Northern Sinai on two police armed vehicles. One CSF soldier was killed and two injured during the attack.

Responding to this incident, Israel called up 22 army reserve battalions and deployed more soldiers on its borders with both Egypt and Syria.

An Egyptian security official demanded Islamist resistance movement Hamas to maintain security in the area between Egypt and the Gaza Strip.

Preliminary investigations revealed that the criminals used RPGs in the three attacks causing the vehicles to be destroyed and killing and injuring CSF soldiers. Major General Ahmed Gamal Al-Din, first assistant to the Minister of Interior, reaffirmed the ministry's insistence to pursue criminals and restore stability to Sinai.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Tahrir: Page 3.



Page: 5.  
 Authors: Ibtisam Ta'lab, Adel Al-Dargali (and others).

### Presidential Candidates Temporarily Suspend their Campaigns



A number of presidential candidates declared suspending their electoral campaigns yesterday to protest against the bloody clashes that took place yesterday between protesters and thugs in Al-Abbasiya. Other candidates denounced SCAF's indifference and criticized the security forces' failure to protect peaceful protesters.

“The duty of the state is to protect peaceful protests. It is not the role of the ordinary citizen to stand up against daily attempts to attack a peaceful sit-in. The parliament has to push the Ministry of Interior to perform its role” said presidential candidate Abdel Moneim Aboul Fotouh.

Khaled Ali, one of the presidential candidates who suspended their campaigns, said that state media is brining the Egyptian people back to the Mubarak age and redrawing the scenario of the Camel Battle.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Tahrir: Page 5.

Page: 5.  
 Authors: Ghada El-Sherif and Moneir Adib.

### Islamist Parties Condemn Al-Abbasiya Clashes



Al-Nahda, Al-Riyadah and the Egyptian Current parties condemned the violent clashes that took place in Al-Abbasiya yesterday near the Ministry of Defense between protesters and groups of thugs. They described the clashes as “futile” and said they indicated possible attempts to rig the upcoming presidential elections.

Dr. Mohamed Habib, co-founder of Al-Nahda Party and former deputy of the Muslim Brotherhood’s Supreme Guide, said that gathering thugs to commit a massacre against peaceful protesters is evidence that things got completely out of control. “We do not know for certain what would be the outcome of this chaotic scene,” said Habib.

Islam Lotfi, co-founder of the Egyptian Current Party, heavily condemned these bloody clashes. He also called for marches to the sit-in in Al-Abbasiya to support and protect peaceful protesters who witnessed a massacre yesterday.

Similar news was reported in: Al-Tahrir: Page 1.



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Author: many authors

## Gomhouriyah Report on the Abbasiyah Clashes



Regretful bloody clashes took place in Abbasiyah. The clashes resulted in 12 deaths and 155 injuries. Armed elements attacked the protesters and the police and armed forces ended the clashes.

Uneasy calm prevails after the 16-hour clashes. Protesters adhere to their demands.

Gomhouriyah reported on news about “thugs” who attack the ambulances and assault the paramedics.

The clashes were followed by demonstrations to show solidarity with the protesters.

Salafists and al-Jamaah al-Islamiyah denounced the bloody clashes. Abu Ismail called on the political parties to boycott meetings with SCAF.

Political parties boycotted a meeting with SCAF and a number of presidential candidates suspended their campaigns.

The Ministry of Health declared seven deaths and 79 injuries.

Minister of Planning and International Cooperation Fayzah Abu al-Naga said declared six deaths.

The Muslim Brotherhood canceled two conferences.

MP Muhammad Anwar al-Sadat called on Hazim Salah Abu Ismail to ask his advocates to end their sit-in in Abbasiyah and go to Tahrir Square to stop the bloodshed.

Gomhouriyah also highlighted facts that were also reported in al-Ahram. See al-Ahram detailed review for further details.

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Author: not mentioned

## Tantawi Meets John Kerry



Field Marshal Hussein Tantawi, head of SCAF met Senator John Kerry and the accompanying delegation.

The talks were about the current national and regional development and the updates of the democratic change in Egypt.

The meeting also tackled economical issues investments in the coming period.



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Author: Muhamamd al-Ful and Jamal Qutb

### Abu al-Futouh President and Musri Vice President



Head of the Salafi Call in North Upper Egypt Adel Nasr reported on a new initiative by Sheik Yusuf al-Qaradawi, head of the International Union for Muslim Scholars.

The initiative includes electing Abd a-Munim Abu al-Futouh president and the Muslim Brotherhood's Muhammad Mursi vice president.



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الإخباريات

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Author: Mohamed Al-Ads

### Al-Katatny to Travel to Saudi Arabia



Head of the Shura Council Head declared that a delegation of MPs, headed by Saad al-Katatny, speaker of the People's Assembly and other prominent public figures would travel today to Saudi Arabia in order to stress on the necessity of ending the crisis between the two countries.



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Author: Mohamed Al-Ads.

### Constituent Assembly Crisis

**زعيم الأغلبية بـ« الشورى »: إقالة « الجنزوري » وتكليف الإخوان بتشكيل وزارة ائتلافية والاتفاق على تأسيسية الدستور.. بداية الحل**

**كتيب- محمد العباس،**  
اعترف النائب على فتح الباب - زعيم الأغلبية بمجلس الشورى - بأن مجلس الشعب والشورى يتعرضان للإنتزاع والضعف من قبل حكومة الدكتور الجنزوري والمجلس العسكري.

وقال خلال المؤتمر الصحفي الذي عقده أمس بقاعة «الدستور» بالشورى: إن من يمارس الإنتزاع على المجلسين هو من يهدد دائما بحل المجلسين، مشيراً إلى أن تحرير حل المجلسين فوق السطوح بالحكمة الدستورية العليا وذلك طى إشارة ضمنية للدكتور كمال الجنزوري. وأضاف: هناك ملفات في المحكمة الدستورية منذ عشر سنوات ولم يتم الفصل فيها حتى الآن فعلاذ إن قضية البرلمان بالثبات التي يتم التوسيد والتشويح بها ورغم ذلك فمن لا يخاف لأثنا متدينين من قول الشعب ويزادة حرة وفي انتخابات شفافة.

وفي رده على سؤال حول إبعاد مجلس الشورى حالياً عن ملف تشكيل اللجنة التأسيسية للدستور وهو ما يخالف الإعلان الدستوري قال: إنه بعد الطعن على اللجنة التأسيسية، ووصف قرار التشكيل بأنه قرار إداري أردنا أن نحصن قرار التشكيل حتى لا يطمئن عليه مرة أخرى لذلك تعمل اللجنة التشريعية بمجلس الشعب على مسانعة قانون هذا الأمر حتى يكون العمل طبقاً للقانون. وهذا أمر يخص مجلس الشعب وحده لأنه جهة إصدار التشريع. وقال: إن الحل من خلال أربعة أمور هي إقالة الحكومة، وتكليف الحرية والعدالة بتشكيل حكومة ائتلافية، والاتفاق على تأسيسية الدستور، ووضع خطوط مبرمجة للدستور.

Head of the Shoura Council majority said that SCAF and its government are against the parliament.

He added that the solution for the Constituent Assembly crisis is dismissing the current government and drafting the new constitution.



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 Author: Yasmine El-Geyoushi.

## “SCAF Are Liars” Campaign Airing Presentation in front of MOD



For the first time in the area surrounding the Ministry of Defense, protesters organized on Tuesday a presentation for “SCAF are Liars” campaign, exposing the violations committed by the military council against revolutionaries since they assumed power in the country.

Military leaders standing in the cordon surrounding the Ministry of Defense’s headquarters ordered their soldiers to turn their back to the protesters during the presentation. In response, protesters chanted “Those are the liars!”

Protesters aired scenes of the Mohamed Mahmoud St., Maspero and cabinet violent clashes, exposing the savage ways of the Military Police against peaceful protesters.



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Author: Ahmed El-Bermawi.

### El-Baradei to SCAF and Government: Leave Power!



“If they are unable to put an end to violence, then they are an accomplice to the crime,” said Dr. Mohamed El-Baradei, co-founder of the new Constitution Party.

El-Baradei wrote on his Twitter account, “Massacre in front of the Ministry of Defense. SCAF and the government are unable to protect civilians from attacks of thugs. Egypt is going down the drain.”



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Author: Yara Helmi.

## Lawyers Syndicate Demand Neutrality in Al-Gizawy's Trial



“We demand neutrality and integrity in Al-Gizawy’s case. We are not sure they were there during the investigations with him,” said undersecretary of the Lawyers Syndicate.

Ahmed Al-Gizawy is an Egyptian lawyer who was imprisoned in Saudi Arabia as he was on his way to perform pilgrimage in Mekka. His lawyer said he was prevented from attending the investigations with the defendant and accused Saudi authorities of being “stringent.”



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Author: Muhammad al-Fiqi

### Abu Ismail and the Abbasiyah Incidents



On his page of facebook, excluded Presidential Candidate Hazim Salah Abu Ismail called on all the political parties to boycott the meeting with SCAF, blaming SCAF for the “massacre in Abbasiyah.

Ayman Ilias of Abu Ismail’s campaign said Abu Ismail had been sick in bed for two weeks, asserting that if he could he would have joined the protesters in Abbasiyah.

Ilias also said that Abu Ismail accepted his exclusion from the presidential race. Ilias reported on Abu Ismail’s calls to his advocates to end the sit-in in Abbasiyah and go back to Tahrir Square, asserting that the protestors in Abbasiyah Square were not only Abu Ismail’s advocates but also revolutionary players who were protesting article 28 of the Constitutional Declaration and calling for dissolving the High Presidential Elections Commission.



Pages: 1  
Author: Hatim al-Jahmi

## Protester Refused the Armed Forces' Protection



Gen Hassan al-Ruwaini, member of SCAF asserted that he called on the Armed Forces in Abbasiyah to exhibit the highest degrees of self-restraint with protesters in Abbasiyah.

Al-Ruwaini addressed the Abbasiyah protesters through al-Shurouq to end their demonstration until the culprits are revealed. Al-Ruwaini asserted that the Abbasiyah protesters refused the protection of the Armed Forces.

Al-Ruwaini expressed his respect to people's right to peaceful demonstrations.



Pages: 3  
 Author: Muhammad al-Fiqi

## Islamist Parties Call for a Mass Demonstration



Islamist parties called for organizing a mass demonstration on Friday in the name of ‘Rescuing the Revolution.’”

The demonstrations are also meant to protest the Abbasiyah incidents.

MP Isam al-Aryan of the Muslim Brotherhood called for the mass demonstration.

Salafist al-Nour MPs decided to participate in the sit-in in Abbasiyah.

Muhammad al-Baradei, head of al-Doustour Party criticized the suspension of the Parliament session decided by the Muslim Brotherhood’s MPs regardless of the majority’s will.



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Author: Ehsan el-Sayed, Rami Nawar, Kamel Kamel and Mohamed Reda

### Salafists Wonder: Where Is Abu-Ismaïl?



Salafist clerics ramped up rhetoric against disqualified presidential candidate Hazem Salah Abu-Ismaïl after clashes erupted between his supporters and residents of the Cairo neighborhood of Abbasiya.

The imam of Al-Huda Al-Nabawi Mosque Osama el-Qousi condemned Abu-Ismaïl's stances on the massacre, wondering about his whereabouts.

Several political powers and parties condemned the riots and held the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces responsible. Moderate Islamist Al-Wasat Party issued a statement to denounce the riots and urged the People's Assembly to hold an extraordinary session on the matter.





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Author: Alaa Hegab, Bahaa el-Mahdi, Doaa Sami, Mostafa el-Shorbaji, Abdel-Galil Mohamed and Amr Alaeddin

### Bloody Clashes in Abbasiya



The Cairo neighborhood of Abbasiya witnessed bloody clashes outside the Defense Ministry, the venue of a sit-in organized by supporters of disqualified presidential candidate Hazem Salah Abu-Ismail and several youth groups.

After more than 10 hours of clashes, joint police and army forces dispersed the two clashing sides.

Several accounts were given on the reasons behind the clashes and who is fighting with whom. One story suggests that the confrontations, which saw the use of firearms, Molotov cocktails and stones, erupted between the residents of Abbasiya and the sitter-ins, who are entering their fourth day.

According to the story, the sitter-ins kidnapped a boy for allegedly attacking them. His family was enraged by the move and staged an armed assault on the protesters.

Whatever the cause, seven people were killed and dozens were injured in the clashes.



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Author: Mohamed el-Fikki, Ahmed Khalil and Ismail Mostafa

## Political Powers Condemn Abbasiya Massacre



A number of political powers and parties denounced the bloody clashes that erupted near the Defense Ministry premises in the Cairo neighborhood of Abbasiya, which left seven people dead and dozens injured.

Political powers urged the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces to take responsibility of what happened and open an immediate investigation into the incidents.

Chairman of the Egyptian Social Democratic Party Mohamed Abul-Ghar said he walked out of a meeting with SCAF just five minutes after its start due to the topic discussed in the meeting; the Constituent Assembly.

Meanwhile, spokesman of Salafist Al-Nour Party Yousri Hamad said the party also withdrew from the meeting because it ignored the incidents of Al-Abbasiya.

The April 6 Youth Movement condemned the massacres committed against the protesters outside the Defense Ministry. The thugs have taken control over everything in Abbasiya, warned movement spokesman Tareq el-Kholi.

Al-Wafd Party also issued a statement rapping the clashes.



## TV Coverage (02/05/2012)



**Program: Al-Hayat Al-An**

**Channel: Al-Hayat**

**Host: Maha Bahnasy**

Uneasy calm in Abbaseya and the security forces withdraw from Abbaseya Square.

Similar news was reported in:

Program: Masr Al-Gadeeda, Channel: Al-Hayat 2, Host: Moataz Al-Demerdash  
News, Channel 2"State TV", Time: 26:00:00

SCAF is discussing handing over power in May 24th if a president won from the first round.

Similar news was reported in:

Program: Masr Al-Gadeeda, Channel: Al-Hayat 2, Host: Moataz Al-Demerdash  
Program: Al-Hayat Al-Yoom, Channel: Al-Hayat, Host: Sherief Amer  
Program: Akhbar Masr, Channel 1"State TV"  
Program: 24 Hours News, Channel 1"State TV"

SCAF is against using violence against the protestors.

Similar news was reported in:

Program: Akhbar Masr, Channel 1"State TV"  
Program: 24 Hours News, Channel 1"State TV"  
News, Channel 2"State TV", Time: 26:00:00

**Program: Al-Hayat Al-Yoom**

**Channel: Al-Hayat**

**Host: Sherief Amer**

Clashes took place between the protestors and thugs in Abbaseya Square.

Similar news was reported in:

Program: Akhbar Masr, Channel 1"State TV"



**Program: Masr Al-Gadeeda**  
**Channel: Al-Hayat 2**  
**Host: Moataz Al-Demerdash**

Public prosecutor starts investigation in Abbaseya incidents.

Similar news was reported in:  
Program: 24 Hours News, Channel 1"State TV"

Unknown elements attacked the protestors with Molotov cocktails and shot guns.



**Program: Masr Tantakheb Al-Raees**  
**Channel: CBC**  
**Host: Magdy Al-Galad and Khairy Ramadan**

Osama Yassin, Freedom and Justice Party Board Member said the Muslim Brotherhood called for a million-man march under the slogan "Rescue the Revolution."

Leaders of political powers and parties who attended the meeting with Lieutenant General Sami Anan warned of any attempt to hinder the transition to democracy.

Similar news was reported in News, Channel 2"State TV", Time: 26:00:00



**Program: 24 Hours News**  
**Channel 1"State TV"**

SCAF holds a press conference to discuss Abbaseya incidents.

Similar news was reported in News, Channel 2"State TV", Time: 26:00:00



**Program: Yesed Sabahak**  
**Channel 2"State TV"**  
**Host: Yasser Abdel-Hakim and Hend Rashad**

Information Committee of The Presidential Elections Commission declared that it would submit a weekly report that includes any violations to the electoral campaigning rules.

PM Kamal Al-Ganzory said the government was doing its efforts along with the MPs for the sake of the Egyptian citizens.

MP Mostafa Bakry reported on Lieutenant General Sami Anan's statements that SCAF was considering the handing over power to the president who will win the elections from the first round.

Similar news was reported in News, Channel 2"State TV", Time: 26:00:00

Presidential candidates Mohamed Morsy, Khaled Ali, And Abdel-Moniem Abu Al-Fotouh decided to suspend their electoral campaigns as a condemnation of the Abbseya incidents.

Guest: presidential candidate Ahmed Shafik said Ahmed Zoweil and Mohamed Al-Baradei were considered very valuable and Egypt could benefit from their expertise.

Head of Tagamou Party said Muslim Brotherhood wanted to monopolize the dominance of the vital entities in the country.



## Radio Coverage (02/05/2012)



**News**

**Channel: Radio Masr**

**Time: 18:00:00**

SCAF vows not to use violence against protesters.



**News**

**Channel: Al-Shabab w Al-Reyada**

**Time: 23:00:15**

Eight dead and 64 injured in Abbaseya clashes.

The Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) mulls handing over power on May 24 if a president wins from the first round of the elections.

Similar news was reported in Channel: Radio Masr, Time: 18:00:00

The public prosecutor starts an investigation into Abbaseya incidents.

Similar news was reported in Channel: Radio Masr, Time: 18:00:00

SCAF holds a press conference regarding the Abbaseya incidents.

Similar news was reported in:  
Channel: State Radio, Time: 23:00:00  
Channel: Al-Shark Al-Awsat, Time: 23:00:00



**News Bar**

**Channel: Mega FM**

Presidential candidate Ahmed Shafik said the health and insurance for the poor were his top priorities.

Presidential candidate Selim Al-Awa starts his electoral campaign.



## Internet Coverage (03/05/2012)

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### We Are All Khaled Saeed:

Breaking news on Egyptian TV: Chief of Staff of the Armed Staff Lieutenant General Sami Anan: The Supreme Council of the Armed Forces mulls the idea of transferring power on May 24 if one of the presidential candidates won the elections in the first round.



Muslim brotherhood website

### **FJP Strongly Condemns Violence, Brutality against Abbassiya Protesters**

The Freedom and Justice Party (FJP) has announced that it will boycott the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) meeting with political party leaders, to be held on Wednesday, due to the escalation of the brutally violent events in Abbassiya Square in Cairo, and the evident plot looming on the horizon to obstruct the handover of power according to the scheduled deadline of June 30.

The clashes broke out at dawn today in the vicinity of the Nour mosque in Abbassiya, Cairo, between protesters and a number of thugs amid heavy gunfire which led to the death of at least 9 protesters, while more than 60 demonstrators have been wounded.

The FJP announced a press conference at 1:30PM (11:30GMT) at the FJP headquarters in Cairo to clarify the party's official position with regard to the violent events in Abbassiya Square.

Meanwhile, presidential campaign organizers for Dr. Mohamed Morsi, the FJP and Brotherhood candidate for the presidency, announced they will suspend all their campaign activities and events for two-day in respect and in mourning of sit-in martyrs of the Abbassiya.

### **'Stop Killing Egyptians Immediately', Muslim Brotherhood Statement on Abbassiya Deadly Clashes**

Again, Egyptians blood is unjustly spilt.

Again, the tactics of intimidation and murder of peaceful protesters begin to unfold.

Again, a crisis is fabricated as we get closer to a new democratic stage's deadline.



Again, horrendous crimes are committed against the people of this homeland in the same old ways as if we never learnt anything from our great revolution.

Again, we assure the people will not tolerate this violation of their rights and will not allow the shedding of more blood of the innocent and will not allow the nation to be dragged back into the dark past of repression and persecution.

Again, we reiterate that the Military Council (SCAF) is the de facto ruler responsible for what is happening in the country at this critical stage, and that the great revolutionary people of Egypt will not tolerate any attempt to disrupt this democratic transformation process and the fulfillment of the revolution's goals.

Therefore, the Muslim Brotherhood demands:

The immediate cessation of the use of force and violence against demonstrators and protestors in the Abbasiya which kill and maim many.

An immediate halt to the killing and aggression against Egyptians, and the arrest of thugs and criminals who must be prosecuted and handed the severest penalties.

Removal of the current government and the formation of a neutral and just government that should take charge of the administration of the country and oversee the presidential elections.

Lift the hands of SCAF off the formation of the Constituent Assembly and the writing of the Constitution, in which it must not interfere.

The presidential elections on time, with full transparency and integrity.

Power handover to elected civilian authority on the 30th of June 2012, without any delay.

Further, the Muslim Brotherhood announce its intention to participate in the million-man marches and popular protests in Tahrir Square, this Friday, to express their rejection of SCAF tactics and maneuvers, and to condemn the killings and criminal attacks committed against the free Egyptian people.



Twitter

[@AsmaaMahfouz](https://twitter.com/AsmaaMahfouz)

We must all reach an agreement on one goal that is to bring down military rule. If we managed to do so, this will create a major support for the protesters in Al-Abbasiya.



We need to mobilize for Friday's protests; we need ideas to gather more protesters. For example, each presidential candidate can lead a protest from one of the neighborhoods and gather his supporters.

### @Arabist

"New on Arabist: More violence in Egypt <http://bit.ly/IrziOs>"

"New on Arabist: Reports: Ismail Haniyeh seen leading in Hamas Politburo vote <http://arb.st/IUbydf>"

"I excited about tonight's French election debate. Force of habit: growing up in Morocco, they were the elections that mattered."

"New on Arabist: A kangaroo at the Pyramids <http://bit.ly/JNiVUE>"

"New on Arabist: Ed Husain ♥ Bahrain's monarchy <http://arb.st/KKZa47>"

### @Ghonim

Anyone who participates in killing an Egyptian citizen is a criminal. Anyone who carries a weapon against his Egyptian brother is a criminal. Egyptian blood is forbidden and we should not resort to weapons to settle our disagreements.

### @Iyad El-Baghdadi

"Link bundles for our social media marketing workshop: <http://bit.ly/IFa8st>"

"Looking forward to the first-ever #Egypt presidential debates tomorrow. Hope they don't get cancelled too. #Monazarat"

"So much blood, so much blood. #Egypt, #Syria, Syria. My head is about to explode. I've carried this headache for 24 hrs now."

"We need a political system that can allow social evolution to take place rather than stand in its way. #AJStream"

"If our political revolution fails, then all talk about female rights (or even male rights) will be moot. #AJStream"

"My main critique to @monaeltahawy: I feel it's futile to talk about a social revolution when even our political one looks shaky. #AJStream"



@Gsquare86

“Anomalies are taking part in Abbasya, no body understands anything other than people dying and getting injured #MOD”

There is nothing called “handing over power,” murderers should be tried!



## ▪ 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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