

**University on the Square:
Documenting Egypt's
21st Century Revolution –
Web Archiving January 25, 2011
and Beyond with Archive-It**

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University on the Square: Documenting Egypt's 21st Century Revolution seeks to preserve the history of the momentous events of early 2011 in Egypt through the eyes of the AUC community for future historians, activists, students, and the general public. As change continues in the months to come, we hope to capture events as they unfold. The unique role of our students, alumni, staff, and faculty will allow us to showcase the diverse perspectives and experiences of our community in this remarkable period through public exhibitions, publications, seminars, and our website.

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Urgency of collecting efforts

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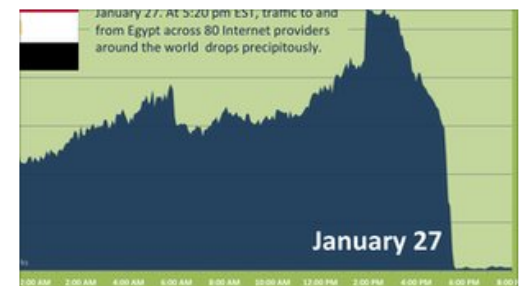
Egypt severs internet connection amid growing unrest

Internet connections across Egypt have been cut, as authorities geared up for a day of mass protest.

Net analysis firms and web watchers have reported that the vast majority of the country's internet has become unreachable.

The unprecedented crack down has left millions of Egyptians without internet access.

There has been unprecedented protest in the country over the past few days - much of it co-ordinated via the web.



The drop in net traffic in Egypt was dramatic

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Mubarak is gone. This is a great day. Let's celebrate. But the battle is not over yet. We got rid of Mubarak, and now we need to get rid of the Mubarak's regime....



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The Gaza siege has to be lifted immediately. #Jan25 6 mins ago

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We will not forget our martyrs. #Jsn25 #fb 52 mins ago

I can't recall how many times we thought we're about to be massacred & our revolution 'd be squashed. Still the will of the people prevailed 59 mins ago

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Tweets from Sharif at Democracy Now!

Democracy Now's Senior News Producer & an Egyptian-born Sharif Abdel Kouddous has returned back home to follow the latest developments on the ground in Cairo in Tahrir Square, Egypt. "unbelievable feeling of community now, of people coming together." Sharif stated on TheNation.com. [Click here to see Sharif's Blogs & Articles...](#)

Arab Women on Frontlines!

The Girl who helped start the revolution in Egypt

This video was recorded on [January 18th](#) by [Asma Mahfouz](#), the young woman who [Mona Eltahawy](#) says "**helped start a revolution.**" in Egypt.

This is a summary what Ms. Asma Mahfouz is saying on this Video:

"I'm making this video to give you one simple message. We want to go down to Tahrir Square on January 25. If we still have honor and we want to live in dignity on this land, we have to go down on January 25... Whoever says it's not worth it because there will only be a handful of people, I want to tell him you are the reason behind this, and you are a traitor just like the president or any security cop who beats us in the streets. Your presence with us will make a difference, a big difference! "

Tweets from Mona Eltahawy

Mona Eltahawy, an Egyptian-born is an award-winning columnist and an international public speaker on Arab and Muslim issues. She is based in New York. She calls herself a proud liberal Muslim. In 2005, she was named a Muslim Leader of Tomorrow by the American Society for Muslim Advancement and she is a member of the Communications Advisory Group for Musawah, the global movement for justice and equality in the Muslim family. [Click here to see Mona's Blogs & Articles...](#)

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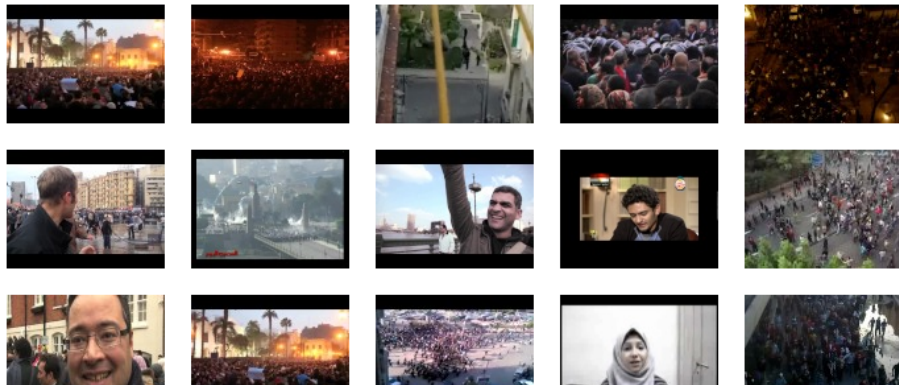
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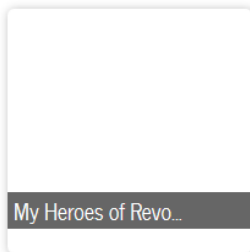
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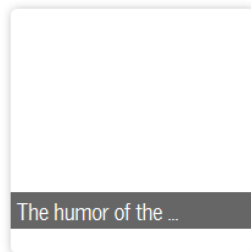
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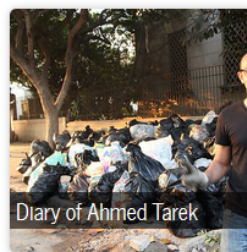
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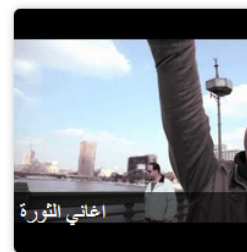
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Tahrir Spirit

Saturday, February 19, 2011

Revolution in Danger

The Egyptian revolution is in danger! Millions took to the streets on Jan 25 and, in 18 days, were successful in forcing Mubarak out. But is he really out?

The answer is no! Mubarak might be in the Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh, but the government is operating just as if he never left!

Ahmad Shafik, the Prime Minister chosen by Mubarak in his last days of rule, is still pm. He is a student of the Mubarak regime and is unlikely to go against the old man's wishes.

This might explain who until this day, Egyptian authorities have made no official requests to foreign governments regarding freezing Mubarak's dispersed wealth. Or, I should correctly say, the Egyptian people's wealth, stolen by the Mubaraks!

If Egyptians want concrete changes, then Mubark has to really leave! This means all of his servants have to leave the government.

When Mubarak stepped down on Feb. 11th, the very next day, Egyptian youth everywhere, took to the streets with detergents and paint, intent on purifying the streets from the traces of the Mubarak era.

It is time to purify the government from the very same poisonous traces that are threatening the success of the Egyptian revolution!

Posted by Nahed Eltantawy at 6:02 PM 0 comments

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Latest Updates on Egypt's Political Crisis
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Live video from Egypt's ON TV shows Tuesday's protests against and for President Mohamed Morsi.

The Lede is following events in Egypt on Tuesday, as protesters demanding the resignation of President Mohamed Morsi return to the streets and the clock ticks on an ultimatum issued by the military to resolve the crisis by 11:00 p.m. today.

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We hear sounds of gunfire from #Imbaba can't confirm what it is
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As tensions escalated between supporters of President Mohamed Morsi and his opponents, [the sound of gun shots](#) frayed nerves in central Cairo on Tuesday evening.

My colleague Kareem Fahim, [reporting on Twitter](#), described the clash punctuated by gunfire near Kit Kat Square in the neighborhood along the Nile [once nicknamed](#) the Islamic Republic of Imbaba.

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Mohamed El-Shewy
12 August 2013

The fact that millions of Egyptians welcomed back the military and the police in order to depose Morsi and his Muslim Brotherhood in early July has given the police a regained sense of control and authority. As such, they have returned to the streets in large numbers and, moreover, have been implicated in the shooting deaths of protestors calling for Morsi's reinstatement.

The police are also being given formal powers by the new government that they have not seen in two and a half years. Last week, Egypt's interior minister announced the reinstatement of a number of secret police units that had been ostensibly shut down after the January 25 revolution. Such units were well-known for their brutality against Islamist and other opposition groups under Mubarak.

Yet the reality is that the police and their violent tactics never abated after 2011, and we are now only seeing a more obvious and public use of them by the new regime. The emerging order following June 30 is apparently allowing the police to return to the forefront of political oppression they practised under Mubarak and SCAF...

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