

Archive of Oppression in 2016



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We release this Archive on the 6th anniversary of the 25th of January revolution, when the so called Police-Day turned into a day of revolution against that same police force and against all the atrocities it committed and continues to commit. We have no doubt that the news items we have managed to collect from the various media channels are but the tip of the iceberg.. below the surface or out of our reach and that of the media are many more crimes which we failed to access news about. For that we apologize for the people afflicted by them.

This archive begins with some official quotes made during 2016, beginning from the head of state to one of its main media spokespersons.. Most of which are quotes that deny and condemn those who oppose that denial.. According to those officials Egypt lives its best democratic eras, its prisons are akin to hotels to the extent that prisoners sometimes do not want to be released.. talk about forced disappearance is a lie that targets to defame Egypt's image in front of the work.. No torture is practiced in prisons or police stations.. and detainees are receiving the best medical care!!!

This media archive testifies to the opposite. The archive does not include testimonies taken by doctors working at El Nadim clinic, but includes only testimonies published on the various media channels, including social media. At the end of each testimony there is a link to the original publication for whoever would like to check.

We have classified statistics into killing (extrajudicial, although we oppose all killing even if ordained by law), death in detention, individual torture, collective maltreatment and torture, medical neglect in detention, forced disappearance, reappearance and finally acts of state violence outside places of detention.

Although we believe that every case of forced disappearance is most likely a victim of torture (for why else would security forces would deprive a detainee from every contact with the outside world if not to seize confessions under duress) the listed number of torture cases does not include those who have disappeared unless they have spoken about their torture after reappearing. In addition, we have also published the numbers of those who have reappeared according to the collected news. All of them reappeared in state institutions, none in Syria or with ISIS, as some claim.

The archive also has sections of letters sent from prisons, testimonies of former detainees as well as testimonies of their families during their time of detention. Those sections, we believe are the most valuable part of this archive. They testify to an era as well as to the resilience of individuals who, although deprived of their freedom, hold on to their humanity and belief in human values and solidarity.

2016 was a heavy year. At about this time in 2015 El Nadim released its 2015 archives of oppression, upon which the government made two attempts at its closure.. the only clinic - unfortunately - that provides psychological help to survivors of violence and torture. Some state institutions, in Egypt as well as some of our embassies abroad, claimed that the clinic is closed and that it no longer received clients. Despite the heaviness of the year and the challenges facing El Nadim and other civil society organizations and especially human rights organizations, we assure our constituency and supporters that the clinic has not closed, not for a single day. As long as there is a need for the service provided by the clinic it will continue providing it, even if it is forced to take other formulas and continue receiving survivors of violence and torture. Until then 3A Soliman el Halabi street, 2nd floor remains open.

This archive is not produced by the clinic. It is produced by an independent Egyptian NGO, El Nadim.

Let us hope that 2017 be more merciful to us all.

Statements by Officials in 2016

Head of State

- About Human rights: We need to develop the concept. Not everyone who will speak out will be imprisoned. <http://bit.ly/1U2aHxF>
- There are no detainees in Egypt and human rights should not be reduced to freedom of opinion. <http://bit.ly/2hbzWQ5>
- Human rights should not be addressed from a Western perspective. <http://bit.do/cFGiQ>

Minister of Interior

- The term "forced disappearance" has been invented to disrupt the relation between security and the people.. and it is very normal that 200 out of 90 million would disappear <http://bit.ly/1NFwjcA>
- The police is doing a noble job. We do not deny some breaches but we do not have detainees <http://bit.ly/1TrzagE>
- Security was not involved in the death of the Italian Regini.. the Matareyya incidents were a mere argument and we have nothing to do with forced disappearance <http://bit.ly/1TrzagE>
- We do not have forcibly disappeared people and we do not have torture and we hold police individuals very transparently accountable <http://goo.gl/6ZFN3B>
- Exaggerating individual breaches is the aim of our enemies <http://bit.ly/1KYvKAC>
- We work to protect human rights and freedoms and we derive our abilities from citizen satisfaction <http://bit.ly/1T1oAxb>
- Our care is not limited to the prisoners alone, but also extends to their families <http://bit.do/cRzbE>

Ministry of Interior

- We don't have any political prisoners <http://bit.ly/1TxGeIF>
- Not a single case of forced disappearance and not a single detainee in prisons <http://bit.ly/1TxGeIF>
- Police violations are individual and very few <http://goo.gl/is5OrR>
- There are no detainees in prisons or police stations <http://bit.ly/1PIh3Nd>
- There are no detainees in prisons <http://bit.ly/1UvHa1U>
- I remained in the police force for 40 years and didn't see a single case of torture <http://bit.ly/24bxSKs>
- There is no torture in prisons.. those are only rumors <http://bit.ly/1Vu0WtN>

- The police is developing its methods and is using microbusses instead of police vans <http://bit.ly/2gVp2ll>
- There are no cases of forced disappearance in Egypt <http://bit.ly/20FHI4A>
- We work according to modern punitive measures <http://bit.do/b8ViC>
- El Bassyuni, former assistant to minister of interior: If it were up to me I would have detained all opposition. <http://goo.gl/X79Gv2>

Former Minister of Justice (el Zend)

- I swear to god we shall hand Morsi.. and I shall leave my position if the verdict is not executed. <http://bit.ly/23vPWj4>
- My heart will not rest except when for every martyr 10 thousand would die of the Muslim Brotherhood or their supporters <http://bit.ly/1VupK2t>
- Killing 400 thousand is not enough for me <http://bit.ly/1QKMKuI>

Foreign Minister

- Amnesty reports on Egypt don't mean a thing for me <http://bit.ly/20K8wAK>

Director of Prison Department

- Treatment of prisoners in prison centers does not differ from international centers.
- Prisons have become like tourist resorts after their development.
- Some prisoners refuse to be released after doing their time because of the good treatment they receive (in prisons) <http://bit.ly/28MlyDJ>

TV presenter Ahmed Moussa on the liquidation by the Ministry of Interior of Mohamed Kamal

- We won't wait for arrests and trials.. F*** rights and freedoms <http://bit.do/cDKgC>

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I. Summary

Total number of published news in 2016

	No of published news
Extrajudicial killing	1384
Death in Detention	123
Individual torture cases	535
Collective torture or maltreatment	307
Medical neglect in places of detention	472
Forced disappearance	980
Reappearance after forced disappearance	421
State violence	313

Map of Oppression in 2016

Governorate	Number of published news							
	Extrajudicial killing	Death in detention	Torture	Collective torture and maltreatment	Medical neglect	Forced disappearance	Reappearance	Total
Sinai	1234	0	2	0	0	42	8	1286
Cairo	34	25	121	98	204	151	94	727
Alexandria	0	8	107	57	46	87	28	333
Giza	17	20	23	13	12	85	25	195
Sharkeya	11	3	45	38	19	45	15	176
Beheira	1	5	45	25	53	21	12	162
Qalubeya	10	6	7	11	13	41	21	109
Dakahleya	7	7	17	11	21	29	10	102
Fayoum	1	5	8	3	6	58	7	88
Gharbeya	5	5	6	1	8	38	13	76
Menufeya	4	1	15	5	13	27	8	73
Assiut	4	1	3	5	18	29	4	64
BeniSoueif	3	6	6	4	7	31	6	63
Damietta	8	2	14	4	8	17	10	63
Aswan	0	0	2	1	0	35	7	45

Menya	3	12	0	2	8	4	3	32
New Valley	0	5	3	17	4	0	2	31
Ismailia	1	3	9	0	4	3	9	29
Port Said	1	1	14	3	3	3	4	29
KafrElsheikh	5	0	3	0	1	11	4	24
Luxor	0	0	3	0	1	4	3	11
Qena	1	1	0	1	2	4	2	11
Suez	0	2	0	1	2	1	4	10
Sohag	0	1	0	0	2	3	3	9
MarsaMatrouh	0	0	0	1	0	8	0	9
Red Sea	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	7

II. Statistics

1. Extrajudicial killing

By month

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
177	109	202	46	212	100	99	12	2	265	112	48	1384

By Governorate

Governorate	No	Governorate	Number
Sinai	1234	Cairo	34
Giza	17	Sharkeya	11
Qalubeya	10	Damietta	8
Dakahleya	7	Gharbeya	5
Kafr El Sheikh	5	Menya	3
BeniSoueif	3	Red Sea	2
Menufeya	4	Assiut	4
Ismailia	1	Beheira	1
Fayoum	1	Port Said	1
Qena	1	Not specified	1
Total		1384	

By Method

Method	No.	Method	No.
Air raid	451	Shot in argument with a family member who is a police officer	2
Liquidation	443	Thrown from a height	2
Shot in security campaigns	368	Shooting at a company bus	1
Artillery shells	56	Driven over	1
Shot in argument with police officer	18	Random shooting	1
Liquidation after arrest	10	Shot in a rally	1
Torture outside place of detention	7	Drowning	1
Shot in a car	4	Mistakenly killed	4
Total		1361	

2. Death in detention

Cause of death	No.
Medical problems	80
Torture	21
Unknown	12
Suicide	6
Suffocation by gas	1
Torture complications	1
Thrown from height	1
Natural death	1
Total	123

Death in detention because of torture according to nature of place of detention

Place of detention	No.
Police station	15
Prison	3
During disappearance	2
State security	1
Total	21

Death in detention because of medical neglect according to nature of place of detention

Place of detention	No.
Prison	39
Police station	40
Court jail	1
Total	80

Medical conditions that led to death in detention

Cause of Death	No.
Generalized weakness	20
Respiratory disease	10
Heart condition	11
Liver disease	10
Acute circulatory failure	8
Diabetes Mellitus	7
Tumors	5
Septicemia	2
Hypertension	2
AIDS	1
Gangrene	1
Kidney failure	1
Bed sores	1
Unattended complications of surgery	1
Total	80

3. Individual Torture

By month

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
37	51	33	41	68	53	50	25	37	37	42	61	535

By nature of place of detention

Place of detention	No.
Prison	181
Police station	171
State security	74
During Disappearance	58
Other	44
During arrest	15
Total	543

Five prisons with the highest rate of torture complaints

Prison	No.
Borg El Arab prison – Alexandria	53
Scorpion prison – Cairo	33
Tora prisons – Cairo	24
Wadi El Natroun prison – Beheira	20
Port Said prison – Port Said	14

Five police stations with the highest rate of torture complaints

Police station	No.
DerbNegm- Sharkeyya	25
Montaza 1 st – Alexandria	17
HoshEissa- Beheira	8
Madinet Nasr 1 st – Cairo	7
Mansoura 1 st - Dakahleya	6

4. Collective Maltreatment and/or Torture

By month

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
5	24	26	26	39	56	23	12	15	19	43	19	307

By nature of place of detention

Place of detention	No.
Prison	227
Police station	56
Maltreatment of visiting families	9
Central security camp	10
Military court	5
Total	307

Prisons with highest rate of complaints of maltreatment and/or torture

Prison	No.
Scorpion prison – Cairo	63
Borg El Arab prison – Alexandria	38
Tora prisons – Cairo	21
New Valley prison – New Valley	15
Abadeyya prison – Beheira	10
Giza Central prison - Giza	10
Zaqaziq general prison - Sharkeyya	9

5. Denial of medical care in places of detention

By month

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
65	44	39	53	43	50	38	30	28	28	35	19	472

Diseases that were denied medical care in detention

Disease	No.	Disease	No.
General deterioration	63	Kidney, urinary tract dis.	9
Diabetes and Hypertension	57	Mental disorders	9
Heart diseases	56	Repeated fainting	7
Bone diseases	51	Septicemia	6
Chest diseases	34	Fevers	6
Liver diseases	32	Hernias	5
Torture complications	32	Motor disabilities	3
Cancer	31	Amputations	3
Bleeding	25	Hearing problems	2
Neurological diseases	22	AIDS	1
Eye diseases	22	Burns	1
Gastrointestinal diseases	21	Total	498

Nature of places of detention where detainees were denied medical care

Place of detention	No.
Prison	384
Police station	56
Central security camps	14
Not specified	18
Total	472

Prisons with highest rates of medical neglect of detainees

Prison	No.
Tora prisons – Cairo	58
Borg El Arab prison – Alexandria	35
Wadi el Natroun prison – Beheira	28
Scorpion prison – Cairo	19
Assiut prison – Assiut	17
El Abadeyya prison – Beheira	15
El Mansoura general prison - Dakahleyya	11

6. Forced Disappearance

Number of individuals reported missing in 2016 **(980)** of those **105** reappeared in 2016 among others who have disappeared earlier than 2016

Forced Disappearance by month

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
61	186	105	87	93	84	62	29	110	101	121	149	1188

By governorate

Governorate	No.	Governorate	No.
Cairo	151	Beheira	21
Alexandria	87	Damietta	17
Giza	85	Kafr El Sheikh	11
Fayoum	58	MarsaMetrouh	8
Sharkeyya	45	Luxor	4
Sinai	42	Menya	4
Qalubeyya	41	Qena	4
Gharbeyya	38	Ismailia	3
Aswan	35	Port Said	3
BeniSoueif	31	Sohag	3
Assiut	29	Suez	1
Dakahleyya	29	Not specified	206
Menufeyya	27	Total	980

By places from which they were taken

Location	No.	Location	No.
Home	321	Events	9
Street	181	School	8
Place of work	82	Courthouse	6
After release by prosecution	48	Prison	6
Police station	34	Hospital	4
Checkpoint	31	Prison visit	1
University	30	Military unit	1
Highway	18	Not specified	183
Airport	17	Total	980

7. Reappearance after forced disappearance

By month

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
33	42	21	33	48	51	13	4	13	34	64	65	421

According to place of reappearance

Place of reappearance	No.
Prosecution	285
Prison	57
Police station	49
Courthouses	30
Total	421

8. State Violence

By governorate

Gov.	Cai	Alex	Giza	Qalub.	Sharkeya	Gharb.	Beheira	Dakahleya	Damietta
No.	94	28	25	21	15	13	12	10	10
Gov.	Ismailia	Menuf.	North Sinai	Aswan	Fayoum	Beni Soueif	Assiut	Suez	Port Said
No.	9	8	8	7	7	6	4	4	4
Gov.	Kafr Sheikh	Luxor	Menia	Sohag	New Valley	Qena	Red Sea	Unspecified	Total
No.	4	3	3	3	2	2	1	5	308

By act of violence

Violence	No.
Raiding homes and destruction of private property	61
Assault on citizens in public places	46
Using weapons in arguments with citizens	35
Assault on lawyers	26
Forceful dispersion of peaceful gatherings	19
Assault on family members of detainees	18
Random shooting	16
Assault on journalists	16
Assault on doctors and nursing staff	13
Illegal detention of citizens	10
Hostage taking from families	10
Coercion into withdrawal of complaint against police	14
Random arrest	6

Assault on football fans	5
Assault on parliamentarians	3
Assault on workers	3
Assault on students	3
Coercion into giving up a job or a piece of land	2
Assault on witnesses	2
Total	308

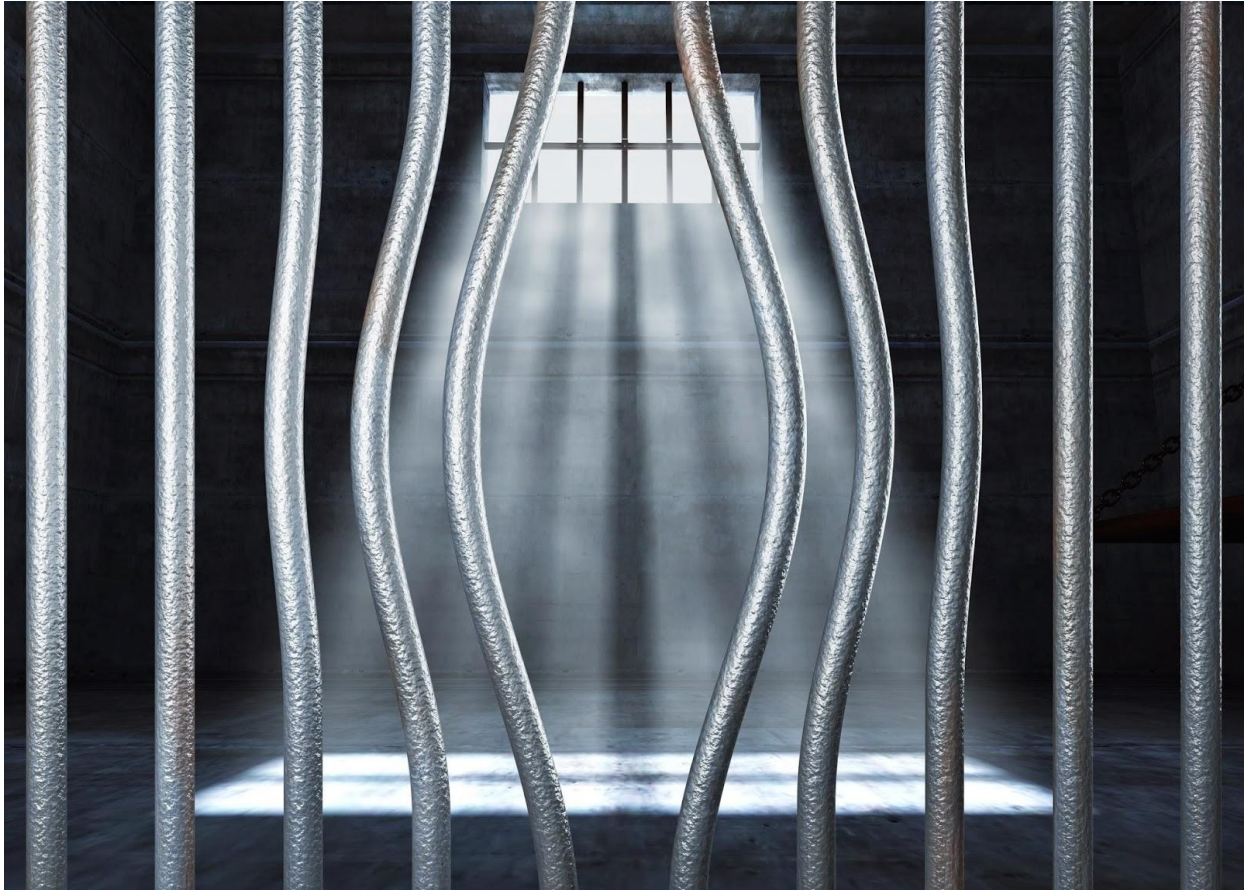
III. Letters from Prison in 2016



We believe that those letters sent by detainees from prison are the best documentation of this era with all its oppression, injustice, and violation of all human rights as well as a violation by the state of its own constitution, laws and regulations. For historians any history without those letters remains incomplete. Those are words that have bypassed prison cells and guards and reached us to tell the truths of what happens behind those bars and in the midst of the darkness of its cells.

Link (Arabic): <http://bit.ly/2iY0tzS>

IV. Testimonies of former detainees



Those are the words of the survivors.. despite prison, the brutality of the guards and the compulsory "interview" with state security before their release where they are subject to intimidation in the hope that prison has done its job, instilling enough fear and terror in their hearts, trying to condemn them to silence.. still many of them hastened to tell and write about what happened to them and others inside detention cells, solitary cells and torture rooms. They could have remained silent and nobody would have blamed them. By testifying they defy the prisoner, the torturer and humble us for our moments of loss of hope and despair. They triumphed over their oppressor. They are our example.

<http://bit.ly/2hY5MEem>

V. Testimonies of families of detainees in 2016



With every forced disappearance, detention, torture and a court verdict that steals years from the lives of detainees exists a family whose normal life stops to begin a terrible journey of search, attempts to visit and attempts to understand.. a journey of filing complaints, appeals, and desperate resort to the law seeking redress. The agony of those families is not limited to the pain of loss. In many cases they themselves become targets of police harassment: deprivation of visits, search for the place of detention, trying to understanding the reason for the arrest, while all the time subjected to the whims of police and prison authorities, not to mention those whose loved ones behind bars are suffering illnesses and deprived of medical care. Those are the words of mothers, fathers, daughters, sons, wives and husbands who have been deprived of their loved ones. Their words complete the story.

<http://bit.ly/2ic7Og3>

VI. Human Rights Reports in 2016

<http://bit.ly/2hYYSJQ>

VII. Detailed tables

Killing	<u>http://bit.ly/2jqvDF8</u>
Death in Detention	<u>http://bit.ly/2ikjCgi</u>
Individual Torture	<u>http://bit.ly/2jjNXQf</u>
Collective maltreatment/torture	<u>http://bit.ly/2iMzDg6</u>
Medical neglect in places of detention	<u>http://bit.ly/2iK7JmZ</u>
Forced Disappearance	<u>http://bit.ly/2iMtMr9</u>
Reappearance	<u>http://bit.ly/2hZ67kZ</u>
State Violence	<u>http://bit.ly/2iQvydk</u>

VIII. Links to Monthly Reports

January (Ar)	<u>http://bit.ly/1UzK7cn</u>
February (En)	<u>http://bit.ly/2jyAAbO</u>
March (Ar)	<u>http://bit.ly/1RPXZnC</u>
April (Ar)	<u>http://bit.ly/1Xa8eF1</u>
May (Ar)	<u>http://bit.ly/1WEDUCI</u>
June (Ar)	<u>http://bit.ly/2a9lBkp</u>
July (Ar)	<u>http://bit.ly/2iWqzHU</u>
August (Ar)	<u>http://bit.ly/2cfin0A</u>
September	<u>http://bit.ly/2dvQlAc</u>
October	<u>http://bit.ly/2jqHfYG</u>
November	<u>http://bit.ly/2irm1Wl</u>
December	<u>http://bit.ly/2izTscE</u>
Two years of Sisi rule (En)	<u>http://bit.ly/29RG25P</u>