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## **10 CHRISTIANS KILLED IN CLASHES WITH MUSLIMS IN CAIRO**

*March 9, 2011* Arutz Sheva reported: "Ten people were killed Tuesday in a clashes between Muslims and Christian Copts in Cairo and at least 110 others were wounded, according to the Egyptian Health Ministry.

The two groups clashed in the areas of Moqattam, the Citadel and Sayeda Aisha, according to Sherif Zamel, head of emergency services.

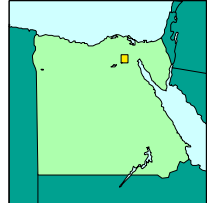
Coptic spokesmen told news media at least six Christians were shot dead and 45 others were wounded. They placed the cause of the clash on a feud between two families, Muslim and Coptic, that resulted last week in the burning of a Coptic church in Helwan province.

The feud started when a Christian man fell in love with a Muslim woman in the town of Sol.

The Coptic Shahedain (Two Martyrs) church in the town was burned down on Friday, the Muslim Sabbath, after clashes that left two people dead.

'Problems escalated in the village when a group of Muslims headed to the burned-out church and conducted a mass Islamic prayer there,' Maged Ibrahim, a local Christian, explained in an interview broadcast on Egyptian state television. The destruction was followed by a mass demonstration in Moqattam as at least 1,000 Coptic Christians this week took to the streets in protest.

Muslims opened fire on the demonstrators, according to Samann Ibrahim, a priest quoted by AFP. He also said that Muslims firebombed local houses and workplaces and hurled rocks at the protesters from both sides of the street. Soldiers at the scene just added to the chaos, firing into the air to try and bring the crowd under control..."



Egypt

## **AHMADINEJAD: ERA OF HEGEMONY OVER**

*March 10, 2011* Fars News Agency reported: "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad on Thursday underlined that the era of hegemony and hegemonic powers is over and the world nations will no more allow others to interfere in their internal affairs.

"The human society is moving rapidly forward and today's hegemonic powers, which are unrivaled in corruption, pillage, massacre and crimes, are already collapsing," President Ahmadinejad said during a visit to the central Iranian city of Qom.

"An Islamic awakening is taking place in the world. A major movement is underway and we can see its signs in every corner of the globe," he went on to say.

Inspired by the revolutions in Tunisia and Egypt, people in Libya, Yemen, Bahrain and now Saudi Arabia have been staging massive street protests to press the dictatorial regimes in their countries to step down.

In Libya, the international bodies and organizations have called on the Libyan authorities to halt military operations targeting the civilians and address opposition demands through dialogue. Forces loyal to the Libyan dictator on Monday launched their most ferocious counter attack on the cities taken by people.

The opposition groups advancing towards capital Tripoli were pounded by gun ships, tanks and heavy artillery. Qaddafi's forces also launched rocket attacks on people in Bin Jawad, Tobruk, Ras Lanuf and Misurata.

The newspaper headlines managed some dramatic visuals en route to the conflict zone of Sirte, the dictator's hometown. Dozens of people, many of them civilians, have been killed. However the morale of the opposition was not sagging despite the onslaught by Qaddafi's forces."

## **US VICE PRESIDENT MEETS WITH RUSSIAN PRESIDENT**

March 10, 2011 Voice of America News reports: "U.S. Vice President Joe Biden has praised the leadership of Russian President Dmitry Medvedev in a meeting between the two men in Moscow. Biden told Mr. Medvedev that his personal leadership 'proved the skeptics wrong' about improving U.S.-Russian ties over the past two years.

Mr. Medvedev said Russia would like U.S. help in joining the World Trade Organization within the next year. Biden said earlier in his visit that the U.S. supports Russia's WTO membership bid.

U.S. officials say Biden is expected to discuss Arab uprisings in the Middle East with the Russian leadership. He is scheduled to meet with Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin on Thursday..."

## **IRANIAN PRESIDENT: WORLD PEOPLE TIRED OF WESTERN WORLD ORDER**

*March 7, 2011* The Fars News Agency reports: "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad reiterated on Monday that the recent uprisings and revolutions in the Middle-East and North Africa indicate that nations are tired of the present world order and intend to change the entire system of the management of world affairs.

Addressing the US and the European countries, Ahmadinejad said, 'It is now long years that you made your arrogant rule dominant over the world and made all relations unilateral and cruel, but now people are tired of your behavior and you can no more keep human beings in a

cage.'

'We are witnessing that massive awakening is taking place in the entire world and today all the world nations describe justice and monotheism as their main demand,' he added.

Also in similar remarks earlier this month, Ahmadinejad had underlined in a meeting with visiting Bolivian President of the Chamber of Deputies Hector Arce here in Tehran that hegemonic powers are incompetent to manage world affairs, and added that future belongs to the freedom-seeking nations.

President Ahmadinejad noted that today all countries have realized that the arrogant powers (imperialist countries) cannot administer the world any longer because they are facing numerous problems. Ahmadinejad pointed out that the arrogant powers (global imperialism) are against dignity, independence and progress of other countries.

'Hence, the world needs a new order based on justice and those who feel being brothers and close to each other have a greater burden on their shoulders for setting the new world order,' he added..."

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### **UN ALARMED AT HUGE DECLINE IN BEE NUMBERS**

*March 10, 2011* Breitbart.com reported: "The UN on Thursday expressed alarm at a huge decline in bee colonies under a multiple onslaught of pests and pollution, urging an international effort to save the pollinators that are vital for food crops.

Much of the decline, ranging up to 85 percent in some areas, is taking place in the industrialised northern hemisphere due to more than a dozen factors, according to a report by the UN's environmental agency.

They include pesticides, air pollution, a lethal parasite that only affects bee species in the northern hemisphere, mismanagement of the countryside, the loss of flowering plants and a decline in beekeepers in Europe.

"The way humanity manages or mismanages its nature-based assets, including pollinators, will in part define our collective future in the 21st century," said UNEP executive director Achim Steiner.

"The fact is that of the 100 crop species that provide 90 percent of the world's food, over 70 are pollinated by bees," he added.

Honey bee colony declines in recent years have reached 10 to 30 percent in Europe, 30 percent in the United States, up to 85 percent in Middle East, said scientist Peter Neumann, one of the authors of the first ever UN report on the issue. But in South America, Africa and Australia there were no reports of high losses.

"It is a very complex issue. There are a lot of interactive factors and one country alone is not able to solve the problem, that's for sure. We need to have an international network, global approaches," added Neumann of the Swiss government's Bee Research Centre. Some of the mechanisms behind the four decades old trend, which appears to have intensified in the late 1990s, are not understood. UNEP warned that the broad issue of countryside management and conservation was involved.

"The bees will get the headlines in this story," UNEP spokesman Nick Nuttall told journalists.

"But in a sense they are an indicator of the wider changes that are happening in the countryside but also urban environments, in terms of whether nature can continue to provide the services as it has been doing for thousands or millions of years in the face of acute environmental change," he added."



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### **ECONOMIST WARNS OF DOUBLE DIP RECESSION IF OIL HITS \$140**

*March 10, 2011* Breitbart.com reported: "Nouriel Roubini, the economist who correctly predicted the global financial crisis, warned on Thursday that some advanced economies could experience a double dip recession if the price of oil climbs to \$140 a barrel.

"It the turmoil in the Middle East becomes much worse and the price of oil reaches \$140-150 a barrel then the risk of a double dip recession increases," Roubini said in a keynote speech here at MIPIM, the world's annual gathering of real estate professionals.

World oil prices fell back Thursday after spiking sharply higher a day earlier, with New York's main contract, light sweet crude for delivery in April, dropped 32 cents to \$104.06 a barrel. Brent North Sea crude for April shed 51 cents to \$115.43.

Several analysts have forecast oil could again reach the record \$147 it set July 2008 before the onset of the global financial crisis if unrest spreads through the Middle East.

The CEO of Roubini Global Economics noted that whilst the current price of oil is a drag on the developed economies, albeit a modest one, it will have a more serious impact on emerging economies where there is a risk of double-digit inflation.

The current turmoil in the Middle East and the rise of oil and food prices will result in a recovery that is more U-shaped rather than V-shaped, Roubini told MIPIM delegates. Growth will be weakened by large-scale public and private debt, which will be a constraint on growth, the economist stressed."

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