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## **DOW, S&P SET RECORD CLOSING HIGHS ON BERNANKE STIMULUS REASSURANCE**

*July 12, 2013* xinhuanet.com reported: "U.S. stocks soared on Thursday, lifting the Dow Jones Industrial Average and the S&P 500 to their all-time closing highs, boosted by Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke's recent dovish speech which eased fears of an early stimulus pullback.

The Dow surged 169.26 points, or 1.11 percent, to 15,460.92 points. The S&P 500 jumped 22.40 points, or 1.36 percent, to 1,675.02 points. The Nasdaq Composite Index leapt 57.54 points, or 1.63 percent, to 3,578.30 points.

"The return of upward momentum to the market, I believe, coincides with communication from the Fed that its accommodative policies will remain in place for the foreseeable future," Gregory Keating, managing director of New York-based James E. Coffey Securities Inc, told Xinhua on Thursday.

Bernanke said highly accommodative monetary policy for the foreseeable future is what's needed in the U.S. economy at the Q&A phase following his speech at the National Bureau of Economic Research in Boston shortly after the stock market closed on Wednesday."..."



## **ASSAD CELEBRATES FALL OF EGYPT'S MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD**

*July 11, 2013* DebkaFile.com reported: "Arab identity is back in the right track," Assad said in an interview published Thursday with the Syrian Al-Baath paper. "It is returning after the fall of the Muslim Brotherhood. "The Muslim Brotherhood and those like them take advantage of religion and use it as a mask," Assad said. "They consider that when you don't stand with them politically, then you are not standing with God."

## **EGYPT'S MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD VOWS TO CONTINUE DEFYING MILITARY 'COUP'**

*July 11, 2013* Haaretz reported: "Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood vowed Thursday to continue its 'peaceful' resistance in defiance of the military's ouster of the country's Islamist President Mohammed Morsi.

A Brotherhood statement also distanced the group from an assassination attempt Wednesday against a senior army commander in the Sinai Peninsula. The statement came a day after Egypt's military-backed government tightened its crackdown on the Brotherhood, ordering the arrest of its spiritual leader in a bid to choke off the group's campaign to reinstate Morsi, now held at an undisclosed Defense Ministry facility.

'We will continue our peaceful resistance to the bloody military coup against constitutional legitimacy,' the Brotherhood said. 'We trust that the peaceful and popular will of the people shall triumph over force and oppression.'

Morsi was Egypt's first freely elected president. He was ousted by the military on July 3, following a wave of protests by millions of Egyptians who took to the streets to call for his removal..."

## **EGYPT: CHRISTIAN BEHEADED AS ISLAMIST VIOLENCE ESCALATES**

*July 11, 2013* Arutz Sheva reported: "Amidst continuing unrest in Egypt, the country's Coptic Christian minority is facing an alarming campaign of violence at the hands of Islamist extremists.

In the most recent case, the decapitated body of 60 year old Magdy Habashi was found early Thursday in a cemetery in the town of Sheikh Zweid, in northern Sinai, after being abducted last Saturday by suspected Islamist radicals. He was the second Christian to be killed in northern Sinai in less than a week, following the assassination of Coptic Christian priest Mena Aboud Sharoben in the coastal city of Arish by suspected Islamist gunmen last Saturday.

Elsewhere, Christian groups have reported numerous attacks against churches and Christian-owned homes by violent mobs. In one particularly grave incident, the murder of a Muslim in the southern village of Nagaa Hassan triggered claims that local Christians were responsible. Seizing the opportunity, a mob of Muslim extremists armed with axes, knives and clubs descended on the Christian community, murdering at least four people, injuring dozens and setting fire to scores of homes.

Coptic Christians comprise only 10 percent of Egypt, which has boiled over with intrigue and rage since the January 25 revolution in 2011 that toppled the 30-year regime of former President Hosni Mubarak.

The new Coptic pope, Tawadros II, has been unusually vocal in his criticism of the Muslim Brotherhood and in supporting the ouster of the Brotherhood-backed president Mohammed Morsi. His predecessor had discouraged Copts from involving themselves in politics, fearing a backlash from the country's Muslim majority. Those concerns appear to have been well-founded.

A day after the first anniversary of Morsi's election as president, the coup d'etat by the Egyptian Army deposed the new leader following a groundswell of protests and a petition signed by 22 million citizens, including many Christians."..."

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## **EGYPT UNREST: BROTHERHOOD REJECTS MANSOUR POLL DECREE**

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*July 9, 2013* BBC News reports: "Senior officials in Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood have rejected a timetable for new elections laid out by interim president Adly Mansour. Leading Brotherhood figure Essam al-Erian says the plan for constitutional changes and a vote next year 'brings the country back to square one'. President Mohammed Morsi was ousted by the army last week after mass protests.

The decree came hours after at least 51 people were killed at a Cairo barracks where his supporters say he is held.

The Muslim Brotherhood - Egypt's main Islamist movement, which Mr. Morsi belongs to - says its members were fired on at a sit-in for the ousted leader. The army says it responded to an armed provocation.

Mr. Morsi was Egypt's first freely elected president. His removal last Wednesday followed protests by tens of thousands of people who accused him of becoming increasingly authoritarian, pursuing an Islamist agenda, and failing to tackle Egypt's economic woes. The Brotherhood has denounced the military's action as a coup..."

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## **UK TO SCRAP 100 EU JUSTICE LAWS**

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*July 9, 2013* The EU Observer reported: "The UK wants to repatriate 35 EU-wide police and justice laws out of some 130 in its wider efforts to claw back power from the EU.

"We believe the UK should opt out of the measures in question for reasons of principle, policy, and pragmatism," UK home secretary Theresa May told ministers in London on Tuesday (9 July).

Tory-right wingers want to repatriate all 133 laws, but May said the UK should retain its co-operation with the EU police agency, Europol, and the EU's joint judicial authority, Eurojust.

"We should opt in post-adoption provided that Europol is not given the power to direct national law enforcement agencies to initiate investigations or share data that conflicts with our national security," she noted."..."



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## **AT LEAST 42 KILLED IN EGYPT, ISLAMISTS CALL FOR UPRISING**

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*July 8, 2013* Reuters reported: "At least 42 people were killed on Monday when Islamist demonstrators enraged by the military overthrow of Egypt's elected President Mohamed Mursi said the army opened fire during morning prayers at the Cairo barracks where he is being held.

But the military said 'a terrorist group' tried to storm the Republican Guard compound and one army officer had been killed and 40 wounded. Soldiers returned fire when they were attacked by armed assailants, a military source said.

The emergency services said more than 320 were wounded in a sharp escalation of Egypt's political crisis, and Mursi's Muslim Brotherhood urged people to rise up against the army, which they accuse of a military coup to remove the elected leader.

At a hospital near the Rabaa Adawia mosque where Islamists have camped out since Mursi was toppled on Wednesday, rooms were crammed with people wounded in the violence, sheets were stained with blood and medics rushed to attend to the wounded.

As an immediate consequence, the ultra-conservative Islamist Nour party, which initially backed the military intervention, said it was withdrawing from stalled negotiations to form an interim government for the transition to fresh elections..."

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## **MOVE OVER JESUS: NEW 'SAVIOR OF HUMANITY'**

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*July 7, 2013* WND.com reported: "At this turbulent time in history when many people are looking for answers to their problems, a brand-new TV campaign calling the Islamic prophet Muhammad the 'savior of humanity' is about to saturate the airwaves of Australia.

'Tens of thousands' of dollars have reportedly been raised by the Muslim community to fund a series of 30-second commercials to begin airing on the country's biggest networks starting July 9.

The ads are produced by My Peace, an Australian group looking to build bridges between the Muslim community and other citizens of the land Down Under.

The prime-time spots will air over the course of several months, and feature famous historical figures such as Mahatma Gandhi and George Bernard Shaw praising the virtues of Muhammad.

'This is a response to misinformation. Not many (Australians) are aware of who the prophet is and why we regard him so highly and so emotionally,' My Peace founder Diaa Mohamed told the Sydney Daily Telegraph.

The commercials will be animated with voiceovers and will have quotes on the screen.

'Muhammad is the most influential man in history and the commercials will show what scholars and historians have said about him.'

Gandhi said the prophet 'holds undisputed sway over the hearts of millions' and Shaw called him the 'savior of humanity.'..."

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