



## EGYPT'S BROTHERHOOD VOWS TO BRING DOWN 'MILITARY COUP'

*August 15, 2013* Arabiya.net reported: "The Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt Thursday vowed to bring down the "military coup" that toppled former President Mohammed Mursi and said it remained committed to peaceful activism after a deadly crackdown to disperse sit-ins by protesters calling for the re-installment of the Islamist leader.

"We will always be non-violent and peaceful. We remain strong, defiant and resolved," Agence France-Presse quoted the Muslim Brotherhood spokesman Gehad al-Haddad as saying on his Twitter feed. He added: "We will push [forward] until we bring down this military coup."..."

## PROTESTERS STORM BUILDING IN CAIRO, EGYPT DEATH REACHES 525

*August 15, 2013* Reuters reported: "Hundreds of supporters of Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood stormed a government building in Cairo on Thursday and set it ablaze, as fury over a security crackdown on the Islamist movement that killed hundreds of people spilled on to the streets.

In Alexandria, Egypt's second largest city, hundreds marched to protest against Wednesday's violent breakup of Brotherhood sit-ins in the capital, prompting nationwide violence in which at least 525 people died and thousands were wounded.

"We will come back again for the sake of our martyrs!" the protesters chanted.

They demanded the reinstatement of former President Mohamed Mursi, who was deposed by the army six weeks ago after mass demonstrations against him, and whose ouster triggered a crisis that has polarized the most populous Arab nation.

Brotherhood spokesman Gehad El-Haddad told Reuters that anger within the movement, which has millions of supporters, was "beyond control".

"After the blows and arrests and killings that we are facing, emotions are too high to be guided by anyone," he said. The Brotherhood has called on followers to march in Cairo later on Thursday, while funeral processions for those who died provide further potential flashpoints over the coming days.

On Wednesday, protesters clashed with police and troops who used bulldozers, teargas and live ammunition to clear two Cairo sit-ins that had become a hub of resistance to the military.

The clashes spread quickly to Alexandria and numerous towns and cities around the mostly Muslim nation of 84 million."..."

## EUROZONE RECOVERING FASTER THAN EXPECTED

*August 14, 2013* The EU Observer reported: "The eurozone economy has moved out of recession, according to unexpectedly strong data published on Wednesday (14 August) by Eurostat, the EU's statistical agency.

Economic output rose by 0.3 percent across both the euro area and the EU28 during the second quarter of 2013, compared with the previous quarter.

Surprisingly, it was Portugal which, despite recent social unrest and political turmoil over its bailout programme, saw the biggest jump in growth, with its economy growing by 1.1 percent.

Finland and Germany recorded growth of 0.7 percent, while, France recorded a 0.5 percent growth rate, which will dampen concerns that the country's economy will remain stagnant in 2013.

The statistics indicate that the European economy is recovering faster than expected and could post an overall growth rate for 2013. In May, the EU executive forecast that the eurozone economy would contract by a further 0.4 percent over the course of 2013, with the bloc returning to modest growth in the second half of the year.

That said, Ireland and Greece, both of which are receiving financial rescue programmes from the EU, were among a group of seven countries which did not provide data.

In a statement, EU eurozone commissioner Olli Rehn described the news as "encouraging" and said that "the European economy is gradually gaining momentum."..."



## EGYPT'S ISLAMIST RAGE TARGETS CHRISTIANS

*August 14, 2013* Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "Supporters of ousted Egyptian president Mohammed Morsi have reportedly been lashing out at Christian targets, besides confronting the government.

In Fayoum, in Upper Egypt, pro-Morsi supporters set fire to a Christian youth center located next to the Muslim youth center where they

had been protesting, according to a report on Ahram Arabic cited by the BBC.

Ahram Arabic also reported that pro-Morsi supporters threw fire bombs at the Al-Raey Al-Saleh Church and set three military vehicles on fire. Clashes are ongoing between protesters and military forces.

The BBC said that there have been a number of attacks on churches around Egypt Wednesday, including in Minya and Sohag..."

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### **INDIA 'MILESTONE' AS IT LAUNCHES OWN AIRCRAFT CARRIER**

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*August 13, 2013* SpaceWar.com reported: "India launched its first indigenously-built aircraft carrier on Monday, a landmark moment in the \$5 billion project that seeks to project the country's power and check the rising influence of China.

When the INS Vikrant comes into full service in 2018, India will become the fifth nation to have designed and built its own aircraft carrier, pushing ahead of China to join an elite club that includes Britain, France, Russia and the United States.

'It's a remarkable milestone,' Defence Minister A.K. Antony said as he stood in front of the giant grey hull of the ship at a ceremony in the southern city of Kochi. 'It marks just a first step in a long journey but at the same time an important one.'

The ship, which will be fitted with weaponry and machinery and then tested over the next four years, is a major advance for a country competing for influence in Asia, analysts say.

'It is going to be deployed in the Indian Ocean region where the world's commercial and economic interests coalesce. India's capability is very much with China in mind,' Rahul Bedi, a defence expert with IHS Jane's Defence Weekly, told AFP.

On Saturday, India announced its first indigenously-built nuclear submarine was ready for sea trials, a key step before it becomes fully operational. Prime Minister Manmohan Singh called it a 'giant stride' for the nation..."

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### **DESTRUCTION OF ISRAEL GUARANTEED, AYATOLLAH SAYS**

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*August 12, 2013* WorldNetDaily.com reported: "Iran's supreme leader promises in a newly released audiotape the destruction of Israel and Palestinians' return to that land.

Fars News Agency, an outlet run by the Revolutionary Guards, last week posted an audiotape of excerpts of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei's speeches to Palestinian officials and others with a title 'Palestine will surely become free.'

In the audiotape, which is partly in Arabic, Khamenei gives blessings to those who fight against Israel and says, 'Peace be upon the children of our nation, peace be upon the brave jihadists in Palestinian and Lebanese resistance. Today the Islamic world and the whole world are witnesses to great revelations that show change in international affairs.'

The ayatollah promises a restructuring of the Middle East: 'Palestine will be free, have no doubt in this. ... Palestinians will return there and there will be a Palestinian government ... and that is based on the truth revealed by God. A new Middle East will be ... an Islamic Middle East.'

Khamenei attacks Israel for defending itself: 'They attacked Lebanon – a mistake. They attacked Gaza – a mistake. They attacked those (Turkish) ships – a mistake. These mistakes, one after another, show that the murderous Zionist regime of Israel is reaching the final fall and destruction of its own non-existence.'

In promising the annihilation of Israel, the supreme leader also says, 'There is no doubt that victory awaits the Palestinian people in the future, and the myth of Zionist power over this region will completely vanish, Allah willing.'..."



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### **JIHADIST LEADER TO U.S.: 'ISLAM IS COMING'**

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*August 12, 2013* WorldNetDaily.com reported "During a radio interview Sunday, a representative of al-Qaida in the Gaza Strip sent a message to the United States: 'Islam is coming and there is no other choice.'



That sentiment was expressed by Abu Saqer, leader of Jihadiya Salafiya in the Gaza Strip, speaking on 'Aaron Klein Investigative Radio' on New York's WABC Radio. Jihadiya Salafiya represents al-Qaida in the Gaza Strip.

Saqer further stated that after battling Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, the thousands of foreign jihadists currently in Syria could turn their ire on what he called the many other 'enemies of Islam,' including Israel and the United States.

Saqer did not say the spread of Islam in the U.S. will come through violence.

'Islam is coming and there is no other choice,' he told Klein about America and Europe.

'Because we think Islam will come and this is something that no one can prevent,' he stated.

'And we will raise the Islamic flag on every point on earth where Muslims live and we will chase all the enemies of Islam wherever they are. Even in the West, in Europe and in the United States.'..."

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