



RESOLUTION

CALL FOR NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ALL POLITICAL ACTORS IN EGYPT TO PUT AN IMMEDIATE END TO THE POLITICAL VIOLENCE

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Recognising:

- The end of the Morsi Presidency and the ensuing escalation of political violence in Egypt;
- That ordinary Egyptians, some of whom originate from religious and ethnic minorities, are amongst the main victims of the current crisis;
- That a stable and prosperous Egypt with respect for human rights is essential in order to achieve the objectives of the EU's southern neighbourhood policy;
- The predominant role of the army in Egyptian society and the difficult political situation for liberal groups in the country.

Acknowledging:

- The right to self determination of the Egyptian people;
- That Egyptian citizens should not become the victim of sanctions against political and state actors in Egypt;
- The EU as an important promoter of democratic values and human rights throughout the world;
- That a return to economic growth is essential for Egypt.

YEPP calls on:

- The EU and its member states to condemn all unjust use of excessive violence as this will not lead to a viable solution;
- The EU and its member states to urge all actors in Egypt to show restraint in their actions and to more firmly call for political dialogue and constitutional reform in order to guarantee minority and other human rights;

- Egyptian youth organisations to constructively engage in political dialogue to voice a credible opinion in Egyptian society;
- The EU and its member states to cooperate with the other regional powers such as Turkey and the Arab League to support the Egyptian people in finding a peaceful resolution to the conflict;
- The EU and its member states to provide support for economic development and structural aid into Egypt;
- The EU and its member states to take the current situation in Egypt into consideration when evaluating asylum or subsidiary protection requests of Egyptian nationals;
- The EPP family to continue to support the development of civil society organisations and democratic values in Egypt.