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## Once again, students show apathy toward parliamentary elections

By Omneya Osman

The AUC campuses were quiet during the first stage of the Egyptian parliamentary elections on Wednesday, Nov. 9 and thei repeat Tuesday, Nov. 15.

Although these elections were important steps in the political democratization of Egypt, AUC students showed apathy towards both events, a pattern similar to their lack of responses to Egypt's first multi-candidate presidential elections last September

These elections are significant because any party that wins 23 seats in parliament can nominate a presidential candidate in the 2011 elections.

In the first multi-candidate presidential elections in September, the ruling National Democratic Party (NDP), which currently con-
trols parliament, also controlled who could run as a candidate.

Throughout the week, the streets of Cairo and Giza were filled with banners for candidates from different parties, including the NDP, the Muslim Brotherhood and the United National Front for Change (UNFC). But students showed little awareness of the candidates or of the procedures for voting.
"The problems I faced were that I did not have enough information about the candidates running in my area and I had no clue of the procedures to vote," said Yasmine Zakareya, an electronics engineering sophomore.

Several opposition parties are running for seats in the parliament against the ruling NDP, including the liberal Wafd, Tagammu and Nasserist parties.

These parties are among 11
other parties which have formed the coalition, UNFC.

Al Ghad party, headed by Ayman Nour and the Muslim Brotherhood are running outside the UNFC coalition.

The parliament includes 454 seats, 10 of which must be appointed by President Hosni Mubarak.

Zakareya said that the Egyptian parliamentary elections are worthless because the NDP will always hold the majority of seats in the People's Assembly. However, she wanted to support the opposition.

During the presidential elections, brochures circulated around AUC, explaining the requirements for getting a voting card and the voting procedures.
However, this did not happen in the current elections.
"AUCians are living in an ivory tower and they are the offspring of the Egyptian elite," said

Yehia Alaa, a construction engineering junior, adding that sooner or later AUCians will join the "governmental wave of pseudo-democacy" but to secure their positions within "a society that exhibits a deteriorating bourgeois [middle class]."

For those who did attempt to vote, there were barriers preventing them.

I went to the nearest police station to my house but was sent back and forth to three stations," said Karim Helmy, an undeclared freshman, who tried to get a voting card for the current parliamentary elections. "In the end they told me I could only get a [voting card] after these elections and use it for the next elections.

The second and third stages of the parliamentary elections will begin on Nov. 20 and end on Dec. begi
9.

ONE ON ONE


Ziyad Omar, a mechanical engineering freshman, attempts to block a shot by a member of the Police Academy team at a basketball game last Wednesday. Though the teams only played half a game, the Police Academy defeated AUC by a score of 24 to 16 .

## El Beit Beitak host discusses conflict with previous employer

## By Dina El Oraby

Nirvana Edrees, the ex-co host of Al Qahira Al Youm (Cairo Today), spilled the beans Monday about the tension-filled conflict between her and Orbit Satellite and Radio Network at mass com munication professor Rash Allam's introductory mass-media writing classes (JRMC 201 and 202)
"I got a letter from the management informing me that should take an open vacation and stay at home," said Edrees. "They were negotiating with me to resign, so that they would not be forced to fire me, which would
affect their image negatively. But Edrees did not heed their requests and finally they fired her, she said.

It was not long, however, before she was hired by Egyptian satellite television's Channel 2 to co-host the show's rival, El Beit Beitak (This house is yours).

According to the Adham Center for Television Journalism, Al Qahira Al Youm, which Edrees hosted for seven years with Amr Adeeb, was the first talk show in the region. The show is famous for the controversial issues it addresses, from sexual harassment to the presidential elections

But its streak of success seems o have come to a halt Edrees
believes, when disagreements between her and Adeeb were magnified in a program hosting Ayman Nour, head of the Al Ghad party and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's rival in the recent presidential elections.

Edrees, who was alleged to be pro-Mubarak, explained the incident, saying, "Nour was offending the president, and I could not allow that to happen on the show."

The station claimed that she was too biased in her defense of the National Democratic Party, Edrees said, but she said Nour was not her only problem.

Edrees said Adeeb was being unprofessional" and was "constantly judging [her] questions to

Nour," on the air
Several attempts to reach Adeeb for comment were unsuccessful.

Edrees disagreed wih the charges of bias. To her, she was not being biased, she was being herself.

I was taught by the best people, and I learned from them that you have to be yourself to reach the audience," she said

After graduating from the Mass Communication Faculty at Cairo University in 1988, Edrees moved to Kuwait, where she worked at Kuwaiti T.V. until 1998, when she was hired by Orbit due to the popularity of her show in Kuwait.

Foreign Trade Minister encourages student leaders


ROLE MODEL: Egypt's Minister of Foreign Trade and Industry Rashid Mohamed Rashid, left, discussed qualities of good leadership with Youth Alliance for Rashid, left, discussed qualities of good leadership with

By Yasmeen El Mallah the former director of HSBC bank. Caravan Editor
"I believe each one of you can be a leader," said Egypt's Minister of Foreign Trade and Industry Rashid Mohamed Rashid in the first of a series of lectures organized by the Youth Alliance for Leadership and Development in Africa (YALDA) last Tuesday.

When somebody asks me if leaders are born or created, I say, leaders are born to be created," said Rashid, who has held his ministry position since June 2004

Rashid was previously president of Unilever North Africa, Middle East and Turkey, as well as

AUC's ‘Redwood Curtain' shows
the search for identity and roots

## by Hassan Hassan

 Caravan ReporterAs the stage slowly fills with dim light, suddenly you hear a dog barking and a haggard man in a torn jacket screaming to end the barking. The beginning of "Redwood Curtain," directed by Lars Tatom, assistant professor in the Performing and Visual Arts department, sets the mood for a play that tackles everything from genius to parenting.

The play is set in the prairie states of the United States with a very minimalist feel. There are only three characters on stage throughout the entire play, putting on an energetic performance.

The play, written by the American playwright Lanford Wilson, protrays the trials and tribulations of youth in the United States set in the present time, where the protagonist Geri, played by Reem Badawy, a mass communication sophomore, plays a Vietnamese orphan adopted by a rich family and in search of her biological father

The play unfolds, with Gei
The play unfolds, with Geri stumbling into the woods finding Lyman Fellers, played by Drew Sutherland, a visiting professor from California State University of Stanislaus, who came specifically to perform in the play.
The final character is Geneva,
Geri's aunt, played by Amina

Khalil, a theater freshman.
As the play continues, the characters further unfold, revealing a modern perspective of society that deals with a multitude of ideas such as Geri's genius, her talent in playing the piano, her upbringing as an adopted child, her search for her father and finally the formation of her own identity

Soul searching and discovery of roots is one of the most important themes of the play.

It was so much fun, and [working in the play] was not as easy as I thought it would be," said Badawy.

Tatom, ill and in the hospital, was not available for comment.

Although Badawy and Khalil have been rehearsing for the past two months, they only had two weeks of rehearsing with Sutherland, which according to Badawy, was done purposely by director Tatom "to retain a sense of awkwardness between the characters."

Sutherland decided to come to AUC after his "friend of 20 years, Lars Tatom, told [him] so much about working here and the students. So [he] decided to come down and see it [himself]."

He also seemed impressed with the spirit of the students and the theater department here at AUC. "Ive had] all kinds of experiences here and have had a really good time."

## Falaki exhibit displays diverse talents, experiences of alumni



## Readers share their favorite 'crazy

 authors' at literature club eventBy Passand El Hammami

## Caravan Reporter

Literature-crazy students shared twisted but intellectual readings by their favorite "crazy" authors last Tuesday at 'Asylum,' an event hosted by the Literature Club

Reading from 'Diary of a Mad Man' by Luhsu, a club member, Heba El-Asaad said, "It is a highly influential piece of writing and unbelievably entertaining to read. There is a lot of power in the simplicity of his words and the complexity of his mind."

David Sweet, assistant professor of the department of English and comparative literature, gave a powerful and intense presentation reading parts of Antoine Artaud's anthology.
"His theories on theater relate to collective madness where [his work] was a personal problem and an

Sophia Al-Marra, president of the club, read from H. P. Lovecraft, one of her favorite writers
"I liked the atmosphere [of the event] and the music that was being played [in the background] gave it a feel to it," said Mary Saydein, a psychology senior.

The club's events are based on themes, where student and faculty members choose the books they find inspiring to them personally.

The club is unique in that its members enjoy reading literature that is valuable, yet not readily recognized in this culture, and work hard to encourage arts and inspire others through literature.
"We encourage anyone who is interested in art, performance, or literature," to join this specific club, said Andy El-Zayaty, an English literature senior and a member of the club for the past two years.

## Conference stresses communication skills

## By Mona Abdin

Caravan Reporter
Professors often forget that communication is the fiber that connects knowledge to learning, said keynote speaker Chris Anson, professor of English and director of the Campus Writing and Speaking Program at North Carolina State University, at an international symposium at AUC on Nov. 11-12.

On the other hand, students still need guidance in order to enhance their learning, writing and speaking in all disciplines, he said.

The conference, "On the Road to Sustainable Excellence: Communicating Across the Curriculum," hosted representatives and lecturers from 19 countries in "a forum to discuss ways in which communica-
tion skills are used to enhance the learning process," according to its Web site.
"We hope, through interdisciplinary dialogue and sharing of teaching/learning experiences, to foster a learning community where passion for knowledge is inspired, rhetorical skill promoted and civic responsibility instilled. Learning excellence, in all disciplines, can be cultivated and sustained," it said

To achieve "excellence," Anson emphasized certain communication techniques. "Lectures, reading and socially-interactive classes challenge beliefs, and using abstract information does succeed in challenging students' thoughts," he said.

In history courses, for example he suggested that students could
write imaginary letters to a person at war, and look in books for "footnotes that include images of explanation that make students get a fullsided picture of the situation."
"There should be contact between different courses and disciplines. Students work very hard during English Language Institute courses, but when they go to other courses, they say that they are not improving in English throughout heir academic years" said Mohga Hafez, coordinator of English 100.

But the communication process is not easy and will require a lot of work. "Time constraint is a very serious obstacle in achieving this communication. It requires a lot of effort and rewards will slowly build up," Anson said.

## CORRECTION

In the article "Annan remembers UN's Nadia Younes," (Nov. 13) it was incorrectly reported that Younes was the "only Egyptian who held a senior position in the UN at the time of her death." In fact, there were other Egyptians in senior positions at the time, but Younes was the most senior among them. We apologize for the error

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## By Hoda Hegazy

Caravan Reporter

Malak Helmy's vibrant installations of life-size human photographs complimented Tarek El Shazly's light sensors when they were highlighted in an exclusive art alumni showcase currently on view at he Falaki Gallery.

I am actually stunned by the effects and the great combination between the light sensors and the big-sized photographs," said Nahla Assem, a business administration sophomore.

The alumni art exhibition was organized by the Performing and Visual Arts department (PVA) and began on Nov. 13
"When I came back from Bangladesh, I found them [PVA] approaching me and Tarek about doing an alumni show right here," Helmy said.

Instead of presenting separate art pieces with different themes, Helmy and El Shazly decided to come up with a unified concept for their art exhibition
"We agreed on doing something [for the] environment in an interactive exhibition," said El Shazly.

The exhibition's idea originated from Helmy's experience while she was in Bangladesh.

She was inspired by the "bright colors and movie posters on [Bangladesh] transportation," she said.

Helmy displayed the photographs on wooden boards mixed with several types of paint to give
hem a fluorescent effect. But there is also some thing disconcerting and real in the photographs. "Instead of you looking at the paintings, this time the paintings are looking at you and so, the viewers are the ones being observed," she said.

El Shazly's light sensors gave the gallery extra rmth.
I came up with the idea of the reactive space and the role of the viewer within that space," El Shazly said.

His work was an elaborate use of lights and sensors. The sensors cause lights to turn on and off as viewers walk in front of them.

The light sensors evoke emotions by transmitting signals through electric circuits that are projected as light, "so they [light sensors] are bulbs that react to the sensors," he said.

The signals could then be translated into any kind of sound and light," El Shazly said.

El Shazly's goal is to grasp people's emotions, senses and their movement in the gallery as they look at Helmy's pieces.

Helmy's has also had another exhibition in Bangladesh, which included photographs of herself in several poses. This idea was inspired by Egyptian and Bangladeshi movie actresses, including the Egyptian actress Nadia El Guindy.

## On The Wire

TThree fatal blasts shook downtown Amman, Jordan, as suicide bombs exploded nearly simultaneously eople were killed on the night of Nov. 9 . Sixty-seve when bombers targeted three hotels. The first bomb went off at the Radisson Hotel, where a wedding was taking place, the second at the Grand Hyatt Amman Hotel and the third at the Days Inn, all between the hours of 9 and 10 p.m.

Responsibility for the attacks has been claimed by Al Qaeda, who claim they were following the Shiite sect of Islam. The statement issued by Al Qaeda stated that American, Israeli and European intelligence usually work at the hotels targeted

King Abdullah II strongly condemned the attacks and those responsible, promising that justice would be served. "There is tremendous outrage by the Jordanian public that these people have targeted, just innocent people," he told CNN.

The Caravan asked 100 AUC students if they were aware of the bombings in Jordan that took place on November 9.
YES
"It is awful, killing people at a wedding. The people who did this should be tried or killed."
-Ahmed Montassir,
JRMC graduate student

I am definitely nhappy. It's going to region."
totally disapprove of bombings as they Islam."

Youssef Atwas,
POLS senior
-Ismail Sadek,
BADM senior
"[These are] inhumane and horrible acts of violence and aggression."

## ACT plans to host celebrity auction

## with Breast Cancer Foundation

By Amira Gemei Caravan Reporter

For the first time, the AntiCancer Team (ACT) and the Breast Cancer Foundation in Egypt (BCFE) have teamed up to organ(BCFE) hat auction of celebrity-donated items that is scheduled for early next year.

Although the two organizations have previously worked together, the projects were on a much smaller scale and were done on a volunteer basis, such as when the BCFE needed ACT members to collect donations in their booth during Ramadan at the Al Gezira ing Ramadan
Sporting Club.

The auction is an event where Egyptian celebrities, ranging from soccer players and actors to busi-
nessmen, will donate personal clothing or furniture to be sold, with all profits going to ACT and BCFE.

Mahmoud Assem, ACT president, said that the auction was inspired from another auction for the late Egyptian actress Soad Hosny's belongings, which was organized by her friends two years ago to raise money for the poor.

According to Assem, the idea of this project was primarily Mai Mansour's, last year's public relations head for ACT.
"This is a new and inventive way of fundraising, but the most important thing is how it will be implemented ... We need a professional to run such an auction so that he can impress the people to buy the things that are exhibited," said

Ramza Sedky, manager of the com nity service program.
"Through this auction, we are hoping to raise cancer awareness among all who attend, as well as help those who cannot afford the proper medication and treatment," said Nevine Torky, program coordinator at BCFE.
"Hopefully this will not be the only time that we can work side by side and we will have future events together," she added.

Both ACT and the BCFE split up the work between them according to what they can get accomplished efficiently.
"So far all of ACT is very excited about the event and think that all the time spent and effort put in will be worth the results in the end," said Assem.

# Thanksgiving food delights, comforts 

By Amira El-Gawly<br>Caravan Editor

Expressing gratitude for all hat you have been blessed with is what Thanksgiving Day is all about. It is about taking a day off bickering and bitterness towards what life has laid out on your plate, and appreciating all you have.

But for many, including myself, Thanksgiving is also about the food: turkey, cranberry sauce and sweet potato pie. The turkey has come to symbolize Thanksgiving and while it is the centerpiece of the traditional meal, sweet potatoes have become the most versatile ingredient for the side dishes and desserts served with it.

Pies, puddings, muffins, ice cream and even gravy are created with sweet potatoes, also known as yams. The sweet vegetable is among the most nutritious of all vegetables, with substantial betacarotene content and large amounts of vitamins C and B6. High in dietary fiber, they are also low in
odium and fat
While Thanksgiving may be a foreign concept to Egypt, you should never let this sweet potato classic be foreign to your taste classic
buds.

But if you are up for a heart warming Thanksgiving meal with friends and family that you do not have to cook, here are two restaurants with special plans for the holiday:

Lucille's Mermaid Columbus 54 Road 9, Maadi - t. 3592778 Turkey Dinner including turkey, soup or salad, drink and dessert (LE 75 to 85)
Starting at 2 p.m.
First come, first serve
Roy's Country Kitchen
Cairo Marriott Hotel, Saray El Gezirah St., Zamalek - t. 7358888 Buffet including turkey, pumpkin soup and sweet potatoes 12 p.m. to 11 p.m.
12 p.m. to 5 p.m. (LE 59++) 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. (LE 79++

Home cooking:
Sweet Potato Crunch

Ingredients

## Five sweet potatoes

## 1/4 teaspoon salt

## /4 cup but

Two eggs
One teaspoon of vanilla extract
$1 / 2$ teaspoon of ground

- $1 / 4$ cup white sugar


## Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F ( 175 degrees C). Lightly grease a baking dish with butter.
2. Bake sweet potatoes 35 minutes in preheated oven, or until they begin to soften. Cool slightly, peel and mash.
3. In a large bowl, combine mashed sweet potatoes, salt, $1 / 4$ cup butter, eggs, vanilla extract, cinnamon, sugar and heavy cream. Transfer to the prepared baking dish.
4. In a medium bowl, combine $1 / 4$ cup butter, flour, brown sugar and chopped pecans. Mix with a blender or by hand to the consistency. Sprinkle over the sweet potato mixture.
5. Bake 30 minutes in preheated oven until topping is crisp and light ly browned.

## CAI offers books, art, design and food <br> \author{ y Dina El Oraby 

}If you want to hang out with your friends at a café, visit a nearby art gallery and maybe pass by an antique shop to take a look around, you will come to realize that there is an actual place that merges these three diversions together in the Center for Art and Interiors (CAI) in Mohandiseen.
"The goal of the center is to create a direct relationship between the people working in the art field and the audience, and to circulate culture to the neighborhood," according to the owners.

CAI is made up of three shops, each separately owned by the three sisters: Aziza, Fatma and Kadria El Tanani. Aziza owns Design Emporium, Kadria owns China Town and Fatma owns Fonoon Gallery. Together with the jointly-owned Sisters Brasserie, the shops form with the
the CAI.

CAI is open all week from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and is located in a very quiet area in Mohandiseen.
"We started thinking of this project last year in February and opened on May 1, ," said Aziza, who is considered one of the founders of CAI. According to her, the whole idea evolved after having several successful private sales days at her house, where she displayed products and her sister Kadria sold Moroccan played
food.

Sisters Brasserie is a café, the jewel within the CAI.
In Sisters, the café and bookstore on the ground floor is designed with two different collections of books, some are for reading inside the café and others are for sale.

The café serves light meals with pizza as the most popular. "The cafe also provides a catering service for parties and events. You can hold a private lunch or a birthday party here," Fatma said.

Sisters is usually warm and homely and seldom crammed with people. Aziza thinks that if too much publicity is done, the place will lose its essence and its coziness. "Our target customers are mainly foreigners and Egyptians, who appreciate art," said Aziza.

The cafe's garden area is beautifully lit, creating a cozy atmosphere in which to enjoy a homemade crêpe


ORIENTAL AFFAIR: The China Town shop at CAI sells furniture from Mongolia, Tibet and China, such as the pieces shown above. CAl is a combination of a café, bookstore and art gallery in Mohandiseen.
chocolate and much more.
Fatma is responsible for the bookstore. Her main goal was to encourage youth to read, especially Arabic books. "I noticed that many young people nowadays know how to speak fluent English and Arabic, but they do not know how to read Arabic or write in Arabic," she said.

Although the collection of books is not huge, it is diversified to please all tastes. There are literature, philosophy and language-phrase books available in their library.
"The place is like a cultural salon. We hold seminars on Egyptian contemporary art here and had a 'oud an Arabic stringed instrument) evening in Ramadan," said Fatma.

China Town sells furniture from Mongolia, Tibet and China, as well as, lighting and other household accessories. "It was a challenge for us to bring something new and with such a special style to Cairo," said Philippe Bayonne, the general manager of China Town and Kadriya's husband.

If you are a fan of unique handmade household accessories, you will find what you need in Design Emporium, which sells fabrics, wallpaper, furniture and interior design services. There are also handmade bags for sale that range from LE 50 to LE 80.

According to a press release by CAI, "the Design Emporium is considered the number one supplier of the best interiors' goods from over 50 European and American companies, and offers full interior design The
The Fonoon Art Gallery holds a different art exhibition every month, where paintings, pictures and other works of art by famous artists are displayed.

14, Jeddah Street, Dokki-Giza
t. 7617187/3389910/ 7483848

Or visit: www.designemporium.com.
CAI is holding an open day from Nov. 20-21, where arious household accessories and interior decorations will be discounted. There will be children's activitiesin will be di
the café.

## Q \& A

QUESTION:
What do you think of AUC students?

"AUC students have a certain lifestyle which you cannot find anywhere else in Egypt. Only certain people can deal with them."

Ayman Lutfi, 30, Senior crew in Cilantro

"All the faculty and staff are good people, but the majority of students are westernized and some students are stuck up."
-Ayman Salah, 24, Owner of copy center

"They are fun to deal with, but most of the time they are in a
hurry."
-Khaled Emad, 25, Cashier in McDonald's

"The AUC community is a proactive community. They are aware of the country's problems and they do a lot of community service Some people describe them as spoiled, or say they are not part of the Egyptian community, [but] these claims are not true."
-Injy El Mokaddem, Orbit presenter

## TheVoice

This week, the Caravan investigated the way that AUC, its campus and its students have changed over the last several decades

With the first aspect, the campus, it is apparent that the university has undergone significant transformations. AUC has grown tremendously over the past few decades and the Board of Trustees met this growth by adding building after building. Now, with very little space left to expand, and people lining up at the door to enroll, the university is moving to a new campus that will accommodate it well into the future.

The professors we interviewed also talked about the way students are different today. They described the changing of hangouts, the transformation of social divisions and the way AUC students carry themselves. The third of these changes brought the harshest criticism, with one professor berating students' apathy and materialism.

While there is no justification for either of these qualities--apathy or materialism--there are excuses. Egypt from 1952 to the 1970s faced nationalizations by Nasser and wars with Israel, both of which compelled students to get involved in political life.

But Egypt is a very different place today. Youth are bombarded by materialist messages and exposed at an early age to profanity. The econmic growth of the 1980s and 1990s fostered a long-forgotten level of political apathy among youth as well.

While we believe that our behavior is partly the product of our context, we do acknowledge that we must continually work to improve ourselves. Perhaps, this new campus will offer a new context that will help us to learn and grow in unprecedented ways.

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## View from the top

## Votes For Sale

## Hanaa Ahmed

 Every four years, those whoepresent the Egyptian people in the People's Assembly undergo fierce fights with new candidates to keep their seats and remain in power. In this struggle to win a seat in the highly prestigious and influential Egyptian parliament, candidates may use malicious methods, like spreading false rumors and filing false accusations about their opponents. But money is the one factor that determines who wins and who loses.

The British naturaist Charles
 Darwin may describe this struggle between candidates as 'survival of the fittest', but if he were alive today, he would realize that it is 'survival of the wealthiest'.

Candidates have lured voters with money ever since money existed. But in a place where the illiteracy rate is over 30 percent, money is a powerful means of communication between candidates and voters.

In poor areas where the majority of people are illiterate and underprivileged, candidates know that promising people money is more valuable than promising them democracy

Those people, who are still stuck at the first level of Maslow's hierarchy of needs, are seeking food and shelter, not freedom and equality. Their hunger for food overshadows their thoughts and consumes them with possessing money. They exercise their right to vote, not because they comprehend its importance, but because it serves their materialistic interests.

People who sell their votes no longer see it as a defiant act, but as a craft that they perfect with each parliamentary election. They sell their votes just like they sell any product in demand. The more a candidate needs a vote, the more expensive the vote will be.

Some voters know how valuable their votes are to the candidates and they wait for the highest bidder before selling their votes. Others go and initiate the deal themselves. Whether or not the voting center is surrounded by policemen, such deals between campaigners and voters are not discrete. In fact you may find a couple of policemen witnessing the 'business deal' with careless gazes.

In one of the poorer areas in Egypt where I was attending the elec tions last Tuesday, vote prices ranged from LE 100 to LE 200. There, people explicitly offered their votes to campaigners in exchange for money.

I believe that illiteracy is one of the main causes for this widespread corruption. Educated people are not going to sell their right to choose for LE 200. Educated people might think of productive ways to gain money other than marking a name on a piece of paper, which they cannot even read. Educated people might differentiate between a candidate who will benefit them in the long run and another who only uses them to win a benef
seat.

For Egypt's sake, I hope illiteracy is the main reason behind this coruption because, otherwise, only a miracle can save Egypt.

# beyond the eyes of the mind 

Amira El-Gawly<br>Editor in Chief

After endless hours of investigation and interviews with Student Union (SU) vice president Union (SU) vice president
Mohamed Fathy, Associate Dean Mohamed Fathy, Associate Dean
and Director of Student Developand Director of Student Develop ment Mohamed Dabbour aio Activities Aida Maged, the Caravan printed a news story entitled "SU vice president assume official role before the end of his official role before the end of his social probation (Oct. 26)." Also on the newspaper's opinions and editorials page of that same issue, the Caravan staff's "Voice" add-
 ressed the matter
Last Tuesday, Nov. 15, Dimensions printed a letter from Fathy on its front page in which he detailed his qualms about the two Caravan pieces. According to his letter, Fathy was responding to the pieces to "clarify and highlight some points," not "to defend [himself] or [his] colleagues," but then he proceeds to do exactly what he said he would not do.

When I first read Fathy's letter, I must say that I was shocked and offended. I could not see what could warrant him to say that the Caravan "accuses people without having any documents or investigation," that we "didn't bother double checking the sources that back up [our] accusations" and that "we are here to compete for a better stand." So, before acting on my emotions, I decided to speak with Fathy to better understand why he wrote those words. I realized, after speaking to him, that he was angered by one sentence that we wrote in "The Voice" of that issue. It said, "Thus, taking over as vice president before Oct. 12 and violating the terms of his probation is Fathy's third offense.'

The 'Voice' is an opinion, not a news story, collectively based on the opinions of the Caravan staff. There is no censorship here at the Caravan. Every student, faculty and staff member at AUC is entitled to have his opinions published on our clearly labeled "Op-Ed" (opinions-editorials) page. And that includes us, the Caravan staff.

Fathy should not flatter himself nor the SU by thinking that the Caravan printed those pieces in order to attack him or the SU personally. The Caravan is, as Fathy put it, "one of the oldest institutions on campus" and its perspective extends far beyond the actions of the SU. The only reason that the Caravan covered the issue is because, regardless of who is to blame, such actions by the vice president of the SU, the body which governs all of AUC's students, are definitely newsworthy by anyone's standards.

Whether or not Fathy's assumption of his role as vice president before the end of his probation was a misunderstanding between him, Maged and Dabbour or not, according to the reporter's interviews with the three, Fathy indeed violated the terms of his probation and that had to be addressed. Too many things go unnoticed and unreported, and something as significant as social probation and the post of the SU vice president definitely should not be added to that list.

If anyone is interested in seeing the documentation or the taped interviews that the news story was based upon, they are more than welcome to stop by the Caravan newsroom.

## LETERS TO THE EDTOO

SC chair highlights corruption in Student Union case
In the article, "A letter from the SU vice president" by Mohamed Fathy, the current Student Union (SU) vice president, published in last Tuesday's issue of Dimensions. The letter was referring to two Caravan pieces: "SU vice president assumes official role before the end of his social probation" and "The Voice" (Oct. 23). Fathy said that the Caravan was misleading and its allegations were not based on solid evidence. However, this issue is greater than these disagreements. What we have here is a clear case of corruption, or to be more specific, partiality.

Walid El Sallab, the current SU president, reserved the SU vice president post for Fathy and prohibited anyone else from assuming the post. However, El Sallab assigned Karim Hazem, the SU treasurer, the vice president responsibilities.

I totally agree that Fathy is someone who served the SU for several years and thus deserves appreciation in return, but this is definitely not the way to reward him. It is also worth mentioning that the Office of Student Development (OSD) is a partner in this breach of AUC law because it did not report or investigate the situation. However, none of what is mentioned above is my main concern because people are not supposed to act on their own and that is why we have laws and regulations.

The issue is that Hussein Khalil, a Student Judicial Board member, is quoted in the Caravan saying that he had knowledge of the case, yet took no action to correct the situation, simply because the OSD did not ask him to. It is really sad to find someone with a positive recommendation on his SJB test, who is unaware of his basic job description and of the hierarchy of authority on campus.

Fathy accused the Caravan of not double-checking their sources and here I would like to ask him the same question, why did you not double check the information you received from the OSD in the first place? I also believe that the Caravan has supportive evidence that was enough to prevent the SU from filing a case against them.

I hereby ask Fathy, who calls for student organizations to be more inquisitive in their investigation of on-campus happenings, to file a case against the Caravan if he has minimal amount of evidence to support his argument.
-George Thabet
Accounting senior
Student Council chair

## 'Airheads' maybe, but still true to ourselves

In response to Mohammed Ashraf's piece regarding AUC being an 'airhead' university, my question is: "Who are you interacting with?" There is no denying that superficial babble floats around some of this university's campuses. At the end of the day, so what? Is talking about politics and English, or using the technical jargon of engineering and computer science means to redeem yourself?

I am sure it can be frustrating when the only conversations that you come across involve muscles and people bragging about drug consumption. I am also sure that the amount of "ya'nis" and "likes" that sprout up in conversation can be redundant. At the same time though, I cannot help but think that this is an extremely biased and generalized view attempting to depict a student population that is quite large.

Entering this university four years ago, I probably shared the same view as Mohamed. With my limited interactions, I too presumed that a lot of people cared about what may be considered 'superficial' things. Those same people probably looked down on other people, thinking that some of their interests were pointless. Every opinion established in this university poses a sort of domino effect. Fingers of judgment are pointed at everyone else as a form of defense, as an avenue to claim one's worth. People are trying to establish their identity and at times feel threatened by the strong identity of others.

To resolve this conflict, I believe you have to put yourself out there. A couple of years and many conversations later, I have realized that there is a lot more to people if you take the time to really get to know them. Sometimes you have to be patient enough to look past the "likes" and the random conversations to be exposed to the other layers of that individual's personality. At the end of the day, we are young, we are insecure and we are trying to find out who we are. So yes, we talk about silly things some of the time, do things to impress one another and follow through with things that we might regret later on. Now, however, is a better time than ever to make mistakes and learn from them. And if in this process, we are categorized as "airheads," so be it. As long as we stay true to ourselves, I see nothing wrong with this 'airhead' university.

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| brazier | fuse | lamp | rocket |
| burner | grate | lantern | smelter |
| campfire | grill | lighter | steamer |
| cannon | hearth | lighthouse | stove |

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يرى أنه لا توجد حياة جديدة تختلف عما نحياه الآن، فأئنما
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كما ضم المعرض صورا فوتوغر افية
كتبت-هدى حجازي
أعجب الكثير من الزوار بمعرض للآثار الموجودة بأفغنستان وإير ان بمدينتي أنياني
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لـرنارد أوكين. يضم المعرض الذي أقيم بالدور إيرانية ترتدي (الشيدار) وهو زي المرأة الخامس بمبنى الفلكي بعض الصور من الإيرانية وعلق أوكين على الصور قائلاً إير ان خلال فترة حكم الشاه سنة 19V7 (التقطت هذه الصورة بافهان ولم تلحظني حتى قيام الثورة الإسلامية بقيادة آية الله الطفلة أثناء تصويري لها لهذا جاءت الصورة
 قال أوكين (صورت هاتين الصورتين قال رامي هلال -خامسة هندسة

 تقف وحيدة ولا يوجد من ينقذها). وقالت سميرة عادل -أولى إعلام(لفتت نظري صورة قارئ القرآن فهو رغم فقره


صورة لطفلة إيرانية ترددي زي المرأة (السيندار) إلتقطها برنارد أوكين.
الطلبة يشكمن من سوء معاملة المشرفين

ؤكن طالت فترة المراقبة لمدة سنه

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وأضافت أميرة أن شكاوي الطبة
تنحصر علي مشرفين محددين في قسمي العلوم السياسية وفسم الاتصتصاد.
 العلوم السياسية:- نغت أنيا تقالر الطبة بطريةن غير سوية ولكنها تتنت حلولا لا لا يقبلونيا ويقورون بالشكوى لرئيسها وأضانت أنها تشرح للطبة التوانين التي يحددها مكتب التسجيل قاقالت منيرة لم يحدث تأغير في اجراءاعت تسجيل المواد عمدل، وأكدت هنا
 إختيار المواد المقرة وتطرح عليهم حلولا
 وإمتنعت سوزيا فيكتور -الدشمرنة علي

شـكا عدد من الطلبة مس دوي الدرجات الضعيفة من سوء معاملة بعض اقسام الجامعة في فترة المر اقبة وقالوا أن بعض المشرفين الأكادميين في الأقسام يسخرون منهم فيشعرهم بالإحباط. قال أحد الطلبة أن إحدى المشرفات سخرت من درجاته الضعيفة وأكدت له أه أنه لن يستطيع التخصص في قسم الاقتصاد وقال أن هذا أحبطه ولا يتفق مع سياسة الجامعة الامريكية. وقالت أميرة مهر ان -ثالثة إعلام- أنها سمعت عن سوء معاملة المشرفين وأثشارت أنها تعرف طالبا كان يعاني من تذمت المشرفات وعدم مساعدته علي الاطلاق . وقالت أميرة أن هذا الطالب كان مسجلا في قسم الفنون الجميلة، وقد تم

مطاعم الجامعة تعلن تحديها للمطاعم المنتشرة خارج الأسوار على مدار السنوات وهى أن الطالب يمل
 الجامعة وخاصة أنه أقل ثمناً من الخار ج - أما عن آراء الطلبة، قالت مها جا جبر الطا رابعة سياسة- أنها تتناول الطعام دائما خارج الجامعة لأنها لا تحب طعام الجامعة بسبب

وقال كريم المنسي -رابعة حاسب آلي- (عادة ما أتناول وجبتي الأساسية بكافتيريا الجميل بالطابق العلوي ولكي ما لا يعجبني بالكافيتيريا هو أن المكان يعتبر عادي جداً ليس به صور أو أي نوع من الديكور). وافقته في الرأي ميسون ماجد -ثالثة إدارة أعمال- فقالت أن رائحة الطعام في الكافيتريا سيئة للغاية بالإضافة إلى وجود

القطط التي لا تدع أحدا يأكل بسامام. وردا على ذلك، قالت أماني أن إدارة الكافيتيريا أرادت أن تطبق نظام إنارة جديد وموسيقى ولكن الجامعة ستنتقل إلى الجى الحرم الجامعي والإدارة ترفض الإسهام بنفقات كثيرة على هذا الحرم الجامعى لتهتم بالمبنى الجديد

مطعم المبنى الرئيسي وبين المطاعم والكافيتريات خارج الجامعة، فقال نحن لدينا تجديد مستمر فمثلاً أضفنا البيتزا والشوربة بالمبنى اليوناني وأضفنا الذرة وأكد أن هناك زيادة في المبيعات تصل من
 فرع كافيتريا سيلانترو الموجودة بجام بلحوار
 كما يعتبر سيلانترو أسرع خدمة للطعام السريع في مصر حيث يتناول العميل وقال أحمد إبراهيم -مدير فرع مطعم بينوس بالجامعة الأمريكية- (ما يميزنا هو جودة القهوة بأنواعها وتواجد الطعام الساخن وخاصة الفطائر). غير أن أماني عثمان -مدير كافيتريا بمبنى الجميل- قالت (ما يميز الطعام لدينا هو توافر الوجبات الساخني تعتبر مثل طعام البيت). وعن رايها في المنافسة بينهم وبين المطاعم الأخرى قالت أماني أن هناك معادلة إكتشفوها

الأماكن التي يختارونها لوجباتهم وأكد
كنبت-شيرين الجزار
المسؤولون عن المطاعم قدرتهم علي الصما
الصمود وسط المنافسة الشديدة.
اختلفت آراء الطلبة في أنواع وعقب محمد قضب -مشرف كافيتريا

## وأشكال الطعام التي يتناولونها وفي المبنى الرئيسي- على تزايد المنافسة بـي



تصوير ياسمين الملاح/ القافلة

الجـامعـة توفر وسـائل انتقـال جيدة إلي المبني الجديد

الجديد طوال اليوم الدراسي حيث اليثا
سيحر مها من التجول بالقاهرة خلال فترة
الراحة بين المحاضرات
وقالت سارة فوسكويل -تدرس
الشؤون الدولية وهي أيضا أمريكية- أن
فكرة خسارة حرم الجامعة القديم فكرة
مرعبة إلا إذا تم استغاله لطالـلبة
الدراسات الأجانب والطلبة اللاجئين
وأضافت أنها تنضل مقر الجامعة الحالي
حيث أنه يتيح للطلبة الدارسين للشئون
الدولية عمل رحلات ميدانية لقرب
الجامعة من وسط البلد وأهل العاصمة

دراستهم للشؤون الدولية
وقالت سارة أنها تعتقد أن عدد
الطلبة الوافدين الأجانب سينخضض بعد
أن كان قد بدأ في التزايد حيث أن وجود الحرم الجامعي بوسط البلد كان أحد العوامل المشجعة للدراسة بالجيا بلجامعة حيث أن الهـلـ من الدراسة بالخارج هو التعرف على طبيعة الشُعب والإختلاط به
والتنقل بين المناطق المختلفة وذلك لن
يكون سهلاً عليهم عند انتقال الجامعة
. وقال أحمد محمد-أولى اقتصاد- أنه
ينضل الانتقال للحرم الجامعي الجديد لتوافر الإمكانيات والأدوات الحديثة ولأنه

سيكون أكثر اتساعاً. وقال محمد أسامة --الثاثة إدارة أعمال -
أنه يضضل مقر الجامعة الحالي حيث لاديلة يضطر للإستيقاظ في مواعيد محددة للحاق بالمحاضر ات حتى لو كانت في وقت متأخر وحتى يتمكن من العودة إلى المنزل عندما يصل الفاصل بين المحاضرتين إلى ب أو ع وأجمع طلبة أجانب على استيائهم من انتقال الجامعة إلى المقر الجديد، وقال أوليفية لويس -يدرس علاقات دولية وهو فرنسي الأصل- أنه يفضل المقر الحالي حيث يتيح له فرصة التعامل مع فئات الشعب المختلفة والتنقل بين مناطق القاهرة التي تتسم بطابع مختلف وأضاف (أنا أعشق التعامل مع سائتي التاكسي والذي لن يتاح لي عند الانتقال

لمقر الجامعة الجديد) . وقالت ساندي جونسون -تدرس الـدري

بالاتساع وبقاعات للمحاضر ات وللككليات
يؤيد ومعارض حول انتقال الجامعة إلي جميعها في حرم جامعي واحي باليا بحيث لن


على ذلك مثل كيفية الوصول إليها. الجامعة الآلانـ

التحرير بوسط البلد بالقاهرة إلى منطةة وسائل مختلفة للإتصال بالمجنتمع
القاهرة الجديدة بالتجمع الخامس وهى الخارئلـارجي و لن يكونوا معزولين عنه.
إحدى المدن الناشئة بصحراء مصر. وأعربت تماضر رفعت -عميد مشار
الحالت ابتسام ممتاز -مدير مساعد لشُؤون الطلبة الأجانب للخدمات


الجديد في عام r••V وقالت أن مقر وأضافت أن أن مسألة شعور الطلبة




وبالنسبة للأفراد الذين يمالكون وبالعالعكس والذي سيسهل لهم الذهاب
 طريق استخدام الطريق الدائري إلى مقر الجامعة الجديد من نصف ساءة إلى حديثية في المكان ليعوض الطلبة عن بعد

خمسة وأربعين دقيقة والأمر الذي المكاني وعن آراء الطلبة المصريين، قالت
اندر ا بهجت -ثالثة إعلام- أن الانتقال

سيجعل المقر الجديد في مركز متوسط

رأـكُ ,إــه : في الوجبات التي ثقدمها مطاعم الجـامعة؟


بالثة إدارة أممال
أشتري من الكافتيريا القهوة نقط.



محمود السباعي



أولى جاميعنج

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تصدر عن طلبة قسم الصحافة والإعلام بالجامعة الأمريكية في القاهرة

محاضـرة تنــاقش المرحــة الأولـى مـن الانتخابـات التشريعية


من اليمن سامر سلممان ويوسف ششاي ومجدي الجلاد في أثناء الندرة. تصوب عصام بدر ان/ القافلة
كتب-عصام بدران به فی الدعاية الإنتخابية وهو • ألف
جنيه، بالإضافة إلى أن ثمن الصوت الصو وصر


في النتائج النهائية) .
أكد الجلاد نزول بضض المرشحين
المستقلين في الجولة الثانية من الاععادة
باسم الحزب الوطني بعد أن نجح الحزب

أما عن تقيبم القوى المشاركة فى
لاإنتخابات من الحزب الون الوطني
والمعارضة والإخوان المسلمين، فقد
أتفق كلا من سليمان والجالاد بوجود مبالغة في تقيم قوة الإخوان المسلمين في الإنتخابات، وأن معظم قوى المعارضة ليس لها قاعدة شعبية في الشارع المصري. وتقاربت وجهات النظر حور وجود صراع داخل الحزب الوطني بين مايسمى بالحرس القديم متمثلا فى الـى الوجوه القديمة في الحزب مثل فتحى
سرور والشاذلى والحرس الجديد الحن من جهة أخرى متمثلا فى الوجوة الجديدة

في الحزب
قال الجلاد (أن نتائج الجولة الأولى
تعكس تغيب القوى السياسية عن الشارع
والحال الذي وصلت إليه الأحزاب
السياسية من الضعف وعدم توافر قواعد شعبية تؤيدها)
وردا على سؤال حول ما إذا كان جمال مبارك والوجوه الجديدة في الحز الحّب الوطني قادرون على التغيير . قال سليمان أنه يوجد جناح إصلاحي ليبرالي وهنا الجناح لا يهدف للإصلاح ولخدمة طبقات
الشعب الكادحة ولكنه يهدف إلى الـى
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قال مجدي الجلاد رئيس تحرير المصري اليوم أن مجلس الشعب القادم تجلس تجار وأن الجولة الأولى من الانتخابات شهدت تجاوزات كثيرة. جاء ذلك في الندوة التي أقيمت يور الثلاثاء الماضى بمناسبة الجولة الأولى

 واللاعبين الرئيسين في الإنتخابات أبتداء من الحزب الوطني والمعارضة والإخوان اليان . قال سليمان سامر -أستاذ العلوم السياسية بالجامعة- حصل اليسار -حزب التجمع- على متعدين، أما الأحزاب الأخرى فلم تحصل على أي مقعد بينما حصل الأخوان المسلمين على ثلاث مقاعد ودخل •گ مرشح أخر من الأخوان في إنتخابات الإعادة وفاز منهم رّا عضورا. أوضح سليمان أن هنه النتائج تعكس الخريطة التي ترسمها الحكومة والتي تهدف إلى تخويف بعض التطاعات من الشعب وكذلك بعض الأوساط العالمية من الاخوان المسلمين كبديل
 أكد سليمان أن الإنتخابات البرلمانية شهدت تدخلا من جانب السان السلطة التنفيذية لترجيح كنة أحد المرشحين. وأن المال لعب دورا كبيرا في الإنتخابات فمعظم مرشحى الحزب الوطني رجال أعمال وتقلدوا عدة وظائف فى الحكومة. من جهة أخرى قال الجلاد (حدث في الجولة الأولى عدة تجاوزات منيا

## الطلبة يمتنعفن عن التصويت في الإنتخابـات البرلمـانية

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واحدة في المرحلة الأولى أما عن آراء بعض المرشحين في نزاهة الإنتخابات وشفافيتها، قال أحمد علام مرشح عن دائرة مدينة نصر ومصر الجديدةأن مراحل الإنتخابات كانت كلها نزيهة ماعدا المرحلة الأخيرة وهى مرحلة الفرز الجماعي للأصوات حيث حدث نوعا من أنواع

التلاعب في إعلان عدد الأصوات. قال علام أن كل لجنة كان بهاعدد من
الصناديق يشرف عليها قاض وإثنان مندوبين. أوضح علام أن النتيجة قبل إعادة الإنتخابات كانت في صالح مرشحي الإخوان المسلمين، الأمر الذي دلاني دفع القاضي إلى تعطيل إعلان النتيجة أملا في فوز مرشحي الحزب الوطني في الإعادة.

> أنه من المحتمل وجود مرشح غني يشترى

الفترة الإنتخابية بالتحديد، إذ عمل مرشحو
الإخوان المسلمون المخطررة رسميا على تكثيف حملاتهم الإنتخابية للفوز بمقاعد البرلمان. وعلى هذا السياق، أكد فخر أنه بالرغم من اقتناءه أن مصر لن ينصلح حالها إلا باتباع الدين الإسامامي وتطبيقه سياسيا، إلا أنه لن ينتخب أي عضو من أعضاء الإخوان المسلمين لأن نظرتهم للدين الإساممي نظرة متشددة في حين أن الإسلام دين السماحة والإقناع وليس تيتشدد أو العنف. واستطرد :(لن أنتخب مرشحي الإخوان المسلمين، فيكفي أنهم


على العنغ).
قال محمد حمادي- رابعة اقتصاد إنحاب، إلا أنه بلم يشارك لأنه لا لا يتقد في

كفاءة أي من المرشحين .
قال حمادي أن • •
الإتخابات كانت شفافة ونزيهة و•ء٪ من اللمراحل مل تتصف بالحرية الكاملة. أوضح أنه تم الضغط على بعض المواطنين. لإنتخاب، بالإضافة إلى أنه كان هناك بضض المرشحين الذين اعتمدوا على شراء الأصوات بمبالغ عالية. أكد حمادي

دنون لجان الانتخاب لمراقتتها أشار
أبدى معظم الطلبة عدم اهتمامهم بالإنتخابات البرلمانية التي جرت في مصر وقالوا أنهم امتنعوا عن المشاركة في التصويت لاعتقادهم بعدم جدتيتها.
 سياسية- أنه لم يشارك في التصويت لأي من المرشحين في دائرته في الهرم لعدة أسباب، أولها أنه لم يكن على دراية ديا كافية بمرشحي دائرته ولا بر امجهم الإنتخابية. أما السبب الآخر فهو أنه لا يعتقد في شفافية سماح قوات الشرطة والأمن للمرشحين حسنين أن السلطات المصرية أكدت أنها ستوفر صناديق زجاجية شفافة للإنتخاب،
غير أنه لاحظ وجود صناديق معتمة تستخدم
في بضض اللجان.
قال ماجد فخر -ثالثة اقتصاد- أنه لم
ريشارك في التصويت لأي من مرشحي دائرته و ولك لأنه يعلم أن مرشحي الحزب الوطني سوف يفوزون في النهاية مثلما يحدث في كل فترة انتخابية. أوضح فخر أنه بالرغي من من ذلك شاهد، بضض علامات التغيير في هن.

## اللاجئون السودانيون يضريون عن الطعام ويطالبون بحل لمشكلاتهم

 ورا لسان (أن معظم مطالـ المتظاهرين السودانيين هی خارج سالطة المفوضية. ومن الواضح أن هناك بیض الأمور التي تملك المفوضية التأثير يفيها، إلا أن ذلك لا لا يمكن أن يحدث إلا من خلال المشاوراتو والحوار البناء، وليس من خلالا اتباع وسائل التخيف والتهديد) . أكد محسن المفوضية تقدم أكثر ما ئ إستطاعتها من مساعدات الخدين الخدمة مؤلاء اللاجئين منها مساعدات مادية

صحية وطبية لمؤلاء اللاجئين إذين تتفق
المفوضية مع بعض المص المستشفيات والصيدليات في مصر لإعطاء اللاجئين إحتياجاتهم الطبية وتدنع المفوضية من الِى •^٪ من قيمة الفاتورة الطبية. أوضح محسن أن اللاجئين السودانيين في مصر قادمين من جنوب السودان وذلك لعدم ثقتهم في إتفاقية السام التي وقعتها الحكومة معهم وهربا من الظروف المعيشية الصعبة التي يعاون منها في بلدهم. قال محسن أن مصر لا تعتبر الهـفـ الأساسي للجئين السودانيين، إذ أنهم يرغبون في السفر إلى البلاد الغربية كأمريكا وكندا حيث اليّ

## تستطيع تأكيد حالات الوفاة إذ أن

كتب-عصام بدران وإيثار شلبي مكتب المفوضية بأي مساعدة لهم. وقال سيمون جيتاتو-لاجئ من الحنئ الحكومة المصرية والمفوضية لم يتلقيا أي الخرطوم- أن هذا الإضراب جاء نتيجة معرنة

## دفن الجثث.

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تضضن مطالب السودانيين وأكد أنر لاجئين يرفضون تصاما فكرة الإعادة الطوعية إلى الوطن أو الإدماج المحلي في مصر. وفي محاولة لإيجاد حل المشكالة المكا تسعى المفوضية إلى إعادة توطنهـه جمبعا لإيا

أضرب ثلاثة آلاف لاجئ سوداني عن الخر
صطنام بشارع جامعة الدول العربية ابتداء للمعاناة التي يعيشها السودانيون. وأشار أن
 مطالبهم على الرغم من مرور أكثر من غـ شهر سبتمبر الماضي وحتى الآن وحتى


 وسلة للضغط علي مكتب مفوضة الأمم أحد المسؤولين بالمفوضة السامبة للأمم




[^0]:    Solutions to the word search and crossword puzzle are posted on the Caravan website.

