

The background is a textured grey surface with various graphic elements: a large red pencil with a yellow eraser and a sharp tip, a black paperclip, and several pieces of torn, layered paper in shades of brown and tan. At the bottom, there are black silhouettes of people protesting, holding up signs and raising their fists.

Egyptian Observatory for Journalism and Media Media Unit

**Bi-monthly Newsletter
From August 15 to August 31, 2024**

Introduction:

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We present this bi-monthly newsletter that features the most important publications from the Egyptian Observatory for Journalism and Media. We invite you to review our latest reports and studies that highlight key issues and current challenges facing Egyptian journalism. In this newsletter, you will find in-depth reports and objective analyses aimed at promoting a free and independent media environment, along with weekly updates on the extensive archive project of prominent Egyptian journalists and media institutions, introducing them to you.

We are here to provide you with the tools and knowledge necessary for a deeper and more precise understanding of the media situation in Egypt. We always strive to support you in your research and writing. Do not hesitate to contact us for any inquiries or to obtain more information through the official email of the institution: info@ejm.org

In this regard, we present the highlights from the second half of August 2024:

First: Key Events in the Second Half of August 2024:

1. Mohamed Saad Khattab in his letter: "I hope people will always remember me so that prison does not swallow me up." For details, click [here](#).
2. "The Observatory" documents an incident where journalists were deceived by impostors posing as officers. For details, click [here](#).
3. Al-Wafd journalist renews his demand for nomination after being [arbitrarily](#) dismissed since 2021.
4. Renewal of the [detention](#) of cartoonist Ashraf Omar for 15 days.
5. Renewal of the [detention](#) of journalist Yasser Abu Al-Ela for 15 days pending investigations.
6. Renewal of the [detention](#) of journalist Khaled Mamdouh for 15 days.
7. Renewal of the [detention](#) of journalist Ramadan Gouida for 15 days.
8. After more than a month of detention, journalist Yahya Khalaf Allah is [released](#).
9. "The Observatory" obtains a final [ruling](#) for financial compensation for the arbitrary dismissal of a journalist from Al-Diyar newspaper.

Second: Guides and Papers Issued in the Second Half of August 2024:

1. Guideline for photographers assigned to cover funerals: Recommendations and guidelines to enhance the ethics of photojournalism. To read the guide, click [here](#).
2. Paper: Pretrial detention of journalists in Egypt: A crisis of legislation or law enforcement? To read the full paper, click [here](#).
3. Pretrial detention: A restriction on freedom of opinion and expression. To read the paper, click [here](#).

Third: World Photography Day Campaign - August 19, 2024:

1. Introduction to the [day](#) on Facebook platform.
2. [Promo](#) for the “Outside the Frame” program episode.
3. Photojournalist Mohamed Asad: “My relationship with the camera is eternal.” [Video](#).
4. Photojournalist Amr El-Sayed: “I have been subjected to many violations during photography, my equipment was broken, I was beaten, and I was injured by a bullet.” [Video](#).
5. Photojournalist Yasmine Yahya: “I was beaten several times at the university because of my photographic coverage of some events.” [Video](#).
6. Photojournalist Ali Fahim: “I received seven stitches in my head while covering some events.” [Video](#).
7. Photojournalist Wafaa Hassan: “I was once taken to the police station because I was photographing a traffic jam.” [Video](#).

8. Photojournalist Ahmed Roshdy: “Photographers are always at risk of being beaten or having their equipment broken.” [Video](#).

Fourth: Special Reports in the Second Half of August 2024:

These reports are produced by the media unit team of the organization, to highlight key issues related to journalism and media work in Egypt.

1. AI-generated image of [the Road accident](#). Professionalism report.
2. Women’s toilet: A dream for female journalists in Egypt. To read the report, click [here](#).
3. Crisis in the Journalists’ Solidarity Fund: A memorandum for an emergency general assembly, and the new council says, “We have nothing to do with it.” To read the report, click [here](#).
4. They left the equipment and carried the coffin: A different scene for photographers covering funerals. To see the picture and story, click [here](#).

Fifth: Statements and Viewpoints in the Second Half of August:

1. Viewpoint statement on the draft Criminal Procedure Law, Articles 267, 123, 124. To read the statement, click [here](#).
2. Confiscation of rights and freedoms in the draft Criminal Procedure Law. To read the analytical article, click [here](#).

Sixth: Journalists' Profiles:

Through publishing these profiles, we aim at highlighting inspiring models of journalists working on various topics.

1. August 17, 2024: [Bushra Abdel Moamen](#) - A creative force in cultural journalism who holds the key to the craft.
2. August 21, 2024: [Sara Saeed](#) - A media figure who carries the message of happiness and support.
3. August 24, 2024: [Mohamed El-Desouki Roshdy](#) - A media personality who engages with taboo issues.
4. August 28, 2024: [Hagar Hesham](#) - A passionate journalist about the digital age and artificial intelligence.
5. August 31, 2024: [Moamen Samir](#) - A young photographer who documented significant events in Egypt.

Seventh: Audience Reach Achieved by the Organization in the Second Half of August 2024:

This section covers the extent of the reach of materials published on the Observatory's official digital platforms to the direct audience, as well as the indirect audience through various social media shares.

The official Facebook page achieved a reach of 220,000 views in the second half of August 2024, bringing the total reach for the entire month of August to 285,000 views.

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