

MB will not oppose Gamal Mubarak: Reuters

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General Guide of Muslim Brotherhood

Egyptian Opposition Muslim Brotherhood Group (MB) will not stand on Gamal Mubarak's heritage. The group leaders are adopting that stance in order to avoid any clashes with the Egyptian government, which might destroy them, according to Reuters

The group eventually decided to act only within the narrow lane of freedom permitted by the government, with which the group's members' situation is moving from bad to worse.

Therefore, they take a competing role in elections so that they might widen the scope of their influence on the people, through their active social agenda.

The international news agency described the group as the strongest political opposition group in Egypt; as it is the only group that can attract and mass up tens of thousands of discreet supporters.

If mobilized, those supporters can abort any smooth operation regarding assigning the power to Jamal Mubarak, the 45

year old outstanding official at the ruling regime.

This power bequeathal has been already expected by everybody in Egypt, even by the regular laymen. Reuters also confirmed that if the group leaders oppose the bequeathal, they will, most probably face great consequences, especially when it comes to the group's long term existence, which they cannot compromise.

Joshua Stasher, the Professor of Political Sciences at Kent State University, USA, said that the Muslim Brotherhood leaders are aware that their challenge to the power succession is to no avail.

Stasher also added that the only result the group leaders can get out of defying the bequeathal is through suppression and imprisonment which threaten the group's existence.

Moreover, Reuters referred to reports revealing that the likely-dissolving of the Egyptian People's Assembly is designed for applying a newly issued law permitting a new portion of seats for women.

The reports point out that dissolving Egypt's People's Assembly might entail holding fresh elections before the year 2010, so as to downsize the MB representatives in the assembly.

Although, Chairman of the Egyptian People's Assembly, Ahmad Fathi Sorour, a leading member at the ruling regime, denied the dissolving issue, yet it is still controversial.

Reuters, however, considered that holding early legislative elections will very much downsize the MB existence in the parliament, before the presidential elections in 2011. In fact the National Democratic Party (NDP) has an unchallenged land-sweeping majority.

Husam Bahjat, the head of the Egyptian Initiation for Personal Rights, said: "Any change in the rules of the current political game, in Egypt, is only considered within the succession scenario."

Reuters also added that the power bequeathal might ensure the continuation of the reforms commended by the foreign investors.

In fact these reforms have pushed the growth rate up to 7% in the last year, and currently to 4 %. However, a lot of underprivileged citizens in Egypt claim that the benefits of that high economic growth have not reached them.

Nevertheless, many analysts say that only handling the complaints of the underprivileged citizens and workers can guarantee a long-run settlement.

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