

Egyptian Authorities Arrest Syrian Residents

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The Syrian Coalition calls on Egyptian authorities to immediately release the Syrian residents they have arrested in the past few days on the pretext of not having residence permits.

The Coalition urges Egyptian authorities not to deport Syrians living in Egypt. The Egyptian Brotherhood government and people have an ethical and humanitarian duty to protect the Syrian people fleeing the tyrant of Syria.

Last week, Egyptian police arrested at least 72 Syrian men and nine boys at checkpoints on main roads in Cairo. Some of the detainees have valid visas or residence permits.

The arrests come only days after regulations concerning Syrians' entrance into Egypt have been changed. Since July 8, Syrians have been required to obtain entry visas and security clearances before they are allowed to enter Egypt.

The Syrian Coalition wants to remind the Arab nations of the suffering the Syrians have endured inside and outside of Syria.

The Syrian Coalition calls on Syrian residents in Egypt, and other hosting countries, to abide by the law and commit to the guiding principles of their great revolution, no matter the cultural, social, and political climate in countries where they reside.

We ask for mercy for our martyrs, health for our wounded, and freedom for our detainees.

Long live Syria and its people, free and with honor.