

EGYPT'S CHRISTMAS-EVE MASSACRE

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While President Mubarak is silent

A Message to: President Barack H. Obama,

Speaker Nancy Pelosi, and the Members of the U.S. Congress,

On January 6, drive-by Muslim gunmen killed eight Christians, and left several more seriously injured in Nag Hammadi, near Luxor, as they left the midnight Coptic Christmas mass. In the following days, scores of Copts' homes and properties in the area were ransacked and burned. All along, President Mubarak's security apparatus was clearly complacent. Dozens of Copts are still under arrest for daring to protest the abominable massacre.

The systemic and systematic discrimination against the Copts in Egypt makes their daily lives an exercise in martyrdom. The escalating violence also highlights the rise of Islamic radicalism. It is a direct result of Mr. Mubarak's policies, implemented through the government-run media and education system, to out-do the Muslim Brotherhood's agenda of Islamizing the country. The consequences of an imminent Islamist state in Egypt will be regionally and internationally catastrophic.

Mr. Mubarak, having been around since the days of President Ford, is well practiced in the alchemy of dealing with various administrations. One of his mantras is that he is the best alternative to rule Egypt. He also prepares to have his own dynasty; an objective which, paradoxically, requires the blessings of the "Islamic Street," meaning to expect even more violence against their Christian minority.

Mr. Mubarak has, personally, a legal and political responsibility towards the Copts. They only demand internationally established human-rights guarantees to live safely in their homeland as full-fledged citizens.

We urge President Obama and the U.S. top institutions to speak-up about the continuous abuse of the basic human rights of the Christians of Egypt (Copts)

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Please join us for a demonstration in front of the White House on Thursday January 21, 2010 from 11:00AM to 2:00PM

Buses will move to the White House from St. Mark Coptic Church 11911 Braddock RD Fairfax, VA 22030 at 10:00 AM January 21, 2010