

An Open Letter to the Secretary of State: Push Egypt to Lift State of Emergency

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J. Scott Carpenter cosigned an open letter to Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton calling for stronger U.S. efforts to persuade the Egyptian regime to lift its state of emergency. The letter, drafted by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace's Working Group on Egypt, is a response to the announcement earlier that day that the Egyptian parliament had extended the country's emergency law for an additional two years even as national elections approach. Egypt has been under a state of emergency since 1981. ❖

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