Anti-Coup Alliance Statement on 'Friday of Anger' Violent Attacks on Peaceful Protesters



The Anti⁻Coup, Pro⁻Legitimacy National Alliance extends its sincerest thanks and appreciation to the masses of patriotic Egyptians who came out today (Friday, August 16) in huge rallies from all governorates of Egypt in a sublime scene of heroic bravery under aerial bombardment from July 3 coup forces' helicopters and war⁻planes using live bullets in order, as protesters expressed their rejection of the military putsch and condemnation of brutal massacres by military forces against unarmed peaceful protesters during the violent crackdown on Rabaa El Adaweya and Nahda sit⁻ins.

The Alliance calls on the great masses of the Egyptian people to protest peacefully throughout the next week (the "Putschists' Departure" week). The demonstrations will kick off every day throughout the week from the same points today's demonstrations were launched in Cairo, Giza and the provinces.

Demonstrators will perform Maghrib and Isha prayers in Ramses Square. Then, they will pray for the souls of the martyrs who were killed today by the brutal aggression of the putschist forces against the innocent and defenseless.

The Alliance reiterates its commitment to fully non-violent demonstrations and its rejection of all attacks on places of worship as well as public and private property.

The Alliance further reiterates its demands to a full return to constitutional legitimacy. The precious blood of peaceful protesters that flowed and is still being spilled is watering the tree of liberty in Egypt and is arousing the spirit of the January 25 Revolution – resistance to injustice, corruption and rejection of the coup, repression and tyranny.

God save Egypt and its people and reward the honorable martyrs...

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