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The National Council for Human Rights NCHR inaugurates the fifteenth forum of civil society organizations

The National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) inaugurated on January 17th its fifteenth Annual Civil Society Organisations CSO's Forum for Human Rights for the year 2023 at the headquarters of NCHR in the presence of Nevin Al-Qabbaj, Minister of Social Solidarity, MP. Tariq Radwan, Chairman of the Human Rights Committee , the House of Representatives, and Dr. Talaat Abdel-Qawi, President of the General Federation of Associations .



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Ambassador Moushira Khattab, NCHR President, emphasized that the forum is one of the most important events. NCHR has been keen to organize annually since its inception. She hailed the vision of President

Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, and his support for the emerging human rights demarch, which requires the solidarity of all state enteties in a real, effective and transparent partnership with civil society organizations that play a pivotal role in dissiinating a culture supportive of human rights, protection, promotion and provision. and monitoring and monitoring implementation.

Khattab also stressed the importance of the forum as an opportunity to evaluate the achievements of the year of civil society and build on them and deal seriously and transparently with the challenges .

Minister Nevin Al-Qabbaj stated that various efforts and programs of the Ministry towards implemeting human rights, such as the right of children to protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, violence and exploitation, and the right to alternative family care, and the right of people with disabilities to rehabilitation and integration into society, and the right of the elderly to social, insurance and health care, and the right of poor and vulnerable families to integrated social protection, including cash support, safe housing, utilities, food support, and health insurance, and a right that includes female genital mutilation, early marriage, human trafficking, and other social and economic rights adopted by the Ministry .

Dr. Talaat Abdel-Qawi, President of the General Federation of NGOs, stressed the importance of the role of NGOs in the National Strategy for Human Rights, launched by President Abdel-Fattah El-Sissi in 2021 and his lauch of 2022 as the year for civil society institutions is a clear message for action and encouragement of NGOs, and that the year 2023 is to continue implementing current projects.



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MPTariq Radwan, Chair of the Human Rights Committee of the House of Representatives, explained that civil society has played a major and active role in serving comprehensive development in its economic, social,

political and cultural aspects in light of the positive transformations that have taken place with the reform of civil work legislation and the adoption of the National Strategy for Human Rights.



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Al-Qabbaj and Khattab sign a cooperation protocol between the Ministry of Social Solidarity MOSS and the National Council for Human Rights NCHR on "Promoting Human Rights provision and Capacity Building."

Nevin Al-Kabbaj, Minister of MOSS, and Moushira Khattab, President of the National Council for Human Rights(NCHR), signed a memorandum of cooperation to promote dissemination of human rights and capacity building of professionals, supporting the mission of MOSS in providing integrated care, development and social protection to deserving citizens without discrimination, as well as its role with regard to human rights, both Civil and political Rights as well as Economic Social and Cultural Rights with special attention to the rights of children, women, the elderly, and people with disabilities.

The cooperation includes joint research, and holding conferences, seminars and workshops on basic human rights and public freedoms, study, coordination and addressing emerging issues, such as violence, murders and hate speech.

Training programs will be held in the governorates of Cairo, Alexandria, Port Said, Aswan, the Red Sea, and Minya.



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The two parties stressed the importance of exchanging views on social issues affecting society and searching for the most appropriate human rights based interventions as well as dissemination of a culture supportive of the protection, promotion and provision of human rights. Nurturing a culture of respect for diversity, pluralism, and citizenship in accordance with the Egyptian constitution, the National Strategy for Human Rights, international human rights standards and Egypt's Vision 2030.

The protocol will be managed by a joint committee of representatives of the two parties that meets at least once a month, civil associations and institutions as partners, as well as the target, in order to ensure their implementation in a manner that guarantees human rights, as well as developing an implementation plan and, , preparing periodic progress reports , monitoring achievements as well as challenges, establishing mechanisms and financial commitments related to the provisions of the protocol, and overcoming any obstacles or problems facing the implementation of the provisions of the protocol..



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A symposium at the National Council for Human Rights calling for the speedy issuance of the Medical Liability Law through a societal dialogue.

Within the framework of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) interest in protecting Egyptian Human Rights, and in connection with the right to health targeted by the National Strategy for Human Rights, NCHR organized a panel discussion entitled "The rights of doctors and patients between legislation and practice". Attendees included Dr. Ashraf Hatem, Chairman of the Health Committee in the House of Representatives and former Minister of Health, Dr. Hussein Khairy, President of the Egyptian Medical Syndicate, Dr. Gamal Abu Al-Surour, Professor of Medicine Al-Azhar and former president of the International Federation of Obstetrics



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and Gynecology, counselor Mohamed Samra, Head of Appeal and Member of the Legislative Sector at the Ministry of Justice.

The panel discussion was opened by Moushira Khattab, President of NCHR. She emphasized that the right to health is a human right closely linked to human dignity, and health is closely linked to the human being. It is an enabler to live a healthy and dignified life. She called for societal dialogue to garner the views of all stakeholders concerning this law.

The panel discussion came out with a set of recommendations concerning the draft law regulating medical liability. The objective being to strike a balance between the rights of doctors and these of patients. Citizen's right to obtain integrated health care, and the doctor's right to carry out his/her work duties in an atmosphere of calm and reassurance conducive to improvement of work conditions in the health system, by reaching consensual articles regarding the following articles of the law:

- 1- Article 23: Codify the imprisonment penalty for doctors in the narrowest scope if there are criminal suspicions, work without a license, or intentional harm.
- 2- Article 23: Reconsidering the amounts of medical fines, as they are exaggerated
- 3- Adding an article related to the obligations of the medical facility with the imposition of penalties on the medical facility in case it fails to apply the required medical and professional standards.
- 4- Article 22: Cancellation of the phrase “without prejudice to any penalty provided for in any other, more severe law..”
- 5- Explicitly stipulating the formation of the sub-committees, their terms of reference, and the organization of their work, as they will actually be the body that will review the investigations



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6- Article 12: The report issued by the Medical Liability Reporting Authority must be one of the documents required for litigation

7- No legal action is taken with the defendant until after the Supreme Committee issues its report (arresting the doctor, or detention pending investigation or renewal,)

With regard to the recommendations regarding training doctors and raising their competence, the recommendations stipulated that the goal is to provide quality medical education and specialized training at the best level in order to preserve the level of the Egyptian doctor to always be at the forefront.

- Advance vocational training and continuing medical education
- Develop unified clinical protocols regarding good surgical and medical practices, which are available in all hospitals and treatment centers and are binding on doctors, with the aim of standardizing medical practices in Egypt.

All practicing physicians must have insurance coverage against accusation of medical malpractice.

- There should be guidelines on dealing with patient complaints in all hospitals, with the ability to provide financial compensation if negligence or medical error is proven.
- Training physicians and increasing their awareness of medical registration and the principles of writing medical reports.
- Recommendations related to patients' rights, focus on:

Developing clear legal provisions stipulating the rights of the patient, such as informed consent, knowledge of his/her treatment plan, and non-disclosure of patient data.



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- Providing approved written or visual materials to enlighten the patient about the illness, its consequences, possible complications and treatment
- Availability of clear forms for informed consent and approval of medical and surgical interventions in a manner that is easy for the patient or his representative to understand.

Community awareness and the role of the media:

- covering important issues objectively and avoiding intimidating public opinion against doctors. Balanced coverage of issues raised in the media, to avoid what is termed as “defensive medicine”, meaning that some doctors may refrain from quick and effective intervention in complex cases whose treatment success rate is not great fearing reprisal . The negative result will accrue to the patient.
- Prepare guidelines on patient's rights and doctor's rights and responsibilities.
- Provide clear information to the police concerning doctors under investigation, accused of committing professional errors, or malpractice, and the circumstances that may restrict the freedom of the concerned doctor to investigate him and the possible duration.

The panel discussion was attended by Members of the Health Committee of the House of Representatives and the Senate, representatives of the Ministry of Justice, representatives of the Doctors Syndicate, the Ministry of Health, the General Authority of Teaching Hospitals and Forensic Medicine, and a group of law professors and doctors from various universities and medical bodies such as the universities of Cairo, Ain Shams, Alexandria and Al-Azhar , Mansoura, Zagazig, Damietta, military and police hospitals, in addition to civil society organizations participated in the panel discussion.



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31-01-2023

Moushira Khattab meets with the Governor of Damietta and reviews efforts to implement the National Strategy for Human Rights

Damietta Governorate received a delegation from the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), headed by Ambassador Moushira Khattab, President of NCHR, to hold a symposium entitled "Implementation of the National Strategy for Human Rights" in cooperation with the Human Rights Unit in the governorate. The delegation of NCHR was received by Dr. Manal Awad, Governor of Damietta, Major General Mohamed Hammam, Secretary General of the Governorate, members of the House of Representatives, and the Senate, the two chambers of parliaments, and heads of the executive agencies in the governorate.

At the beginning of the meeting, the Governor of Damietta welcomed Ambassador Khattab and the delegation of NCHR, who expressed her



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appreciation for the efforts made by NCHR under her leadership to promote the march of human rights, stressing her aspiration to achieve more cooperation to support this file within the framework of the governorate's interest in working on implementing the National Strategy for Human Rights.

For her part, the President of NCHR expressed her appreciation for the efforts of the Governor of Damietta in all fields and her great support for the human rights file, also praising the governorate's achievements under her leadership, including the award of UNESCO Prize for Learning Cities for the year 2021. She added that Dr. Manal Awad is one of the first pioneers in the field of Learning Cities.

Khattab also affirmed NCHR support for the Human Rights unit in the governorate by providing the necessary training on Human Rights issues, handling citizens' complaints, . She gave an overview of the current status of human rights explaining that human rights worldwide scored great achievements yet it faces multiple challenges. She added that NCHR prioritizes the implementation of the National Strategy for Human Rights, the develop ways to spread and promote a culture supportive of Human Rights and a culture of peace and acceptance of the other.

Khattab also stressed that President Abdel-Fattah El-Sisi's vision on Human Rights is the first of its kind in Egypt, and a unique initiative. She noted that President Sisi's vision is based on the fact that respect for civil, political, social, economic and cultural rights is closely linked to efforts to promote and protect Human Rights and Egypt's 2030 sustainable development strategy.

Moushira Khattab with young men and women to open moderated a two hours session of dialogue on human rights as a style of life, a problem solver and good economics. The dialogue centered on the national strategy. At the end of the symposium, Khattab and Awad honored members of the human rights unit in the governorate, in appreciation of their efforts in the field of Human Rights.



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03-02-2023

Khattab acknowledge the role of the Standing Committee for Human Rights

The National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), met with the delegation of the Standing Committee for Human Rights,SSCHR headed by Ambassador Khaled Al-Bakli, Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs for Human Rights and Head of the Technical Secretariat of the Committee, in the presence of the members of NCHR, Bakly presented government's comment on the NCHR fifteenth annual report, and the launch of the



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technical secretariat of SSCHR of the report on the implementation of the strategy during its first year.

The President of NCHR stressed the important role played by the SSCHR for the preparation of the National Strategy for Human Rights, its report on the occasion of the one year anniversary of its launch stressing the effort and professionalism on the part of the government to implement the goals of the strategy.

Khatab indicated that the state adopted a participatory approach in preparing the national strategy for Human Rights, in order to enhance efforts to support democratic mechanisms in Egypt.

The ambassador announced that NCHR will issue its sixteenth annual report in the coming month, stressing that the report is objective and reflects the council's guided by the constitution and international standards for the human rights situation as applied in Egypt.

Ambassador Khaled Al-Baqli stressed that the committee works for the benefit of the state and the service of Human Rights, and that the political leadership pays attention and preference to the file of human rights and public freedoms, and that the initiatives of the President of the Republic are taking steps towards societal change and the protection of human rights at various levels, and the committee has reviewed its work plan and its role in The government's interaction with the annual reports of NCHR, as well as the methodology for preparing the government's comment on reports of NCHR.



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05-02-2023

Aswan in upper Egypt debates the strategy for human rights

President of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), said that the National Strategy for Human Rights places Egypt on the threshold of a historic opportunity, the first of its kind in Egyptian history, asimplementation of human rights puts Egypt among the ranks of democratic countries. Promoting the culture of Human Rights in southern



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Upper Egypt under the slogan "Together towards activating the National Strategy for Human Rights" in Aswan Governorate, which was held within the framework of cooperation between the NCHR, the National Alliance for Civil Development Action and the Egyptian Youth Council.

During her speech, Moushira Khattab stressed that the National Strategy for Human Rights included a number of important axes, none of which was devoid of reference to civil society because of the important and effective role it plays in the service of comprehensive development.

She said that President Al-Sisi's Human Rights vision raises the expectations of the Egyptian citizen.

Major General Ashraf Attia, Governor of Aswan, said that the state has a firm belief in the capabilities and capabilities of young people and their ability to overcome difficulties and deal quickly with the rapid technological development.

Dr Mohamed Mamdouh, member of the NCHR, stated that the achievements made towards implementing the strategy are serious and effective steps that demonstrates a political will to move forward with the file.

Dr. Wafaa Benjamin, member of the NCHR, said that the term Human Rights is not a new concept, as humanity has so long sought to confirm the basic principles of Human Rights through the issuance of both the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which affirms that human beings are born free, and the International Covenant on Social, Economic and Cultural Rights.



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06-02-2023

Moushira Khattab praises the cooperation between the National Council for Human Rights and Parliament with its two chambers

Moushira Khattab, president of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), said that the study of the Human Rights and Social Solidarity Committee in the Senate on “domestic violence” draws a clear roadmap for the discussion on the draft personal status law. The best interest of the child must be given due consideration due consideration in decisions affecting the family. She also confirmed that depriving a child of the right to education is the worst form of domestic violence.

Ambassador Khattab participated in the debates on the law held in the Senate, during which she praised the cooperation between the NCHR and Parliament in its two chambers. .



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06-02-2023

The National Council for Human Rights joins the civil defense team in the case of the child “Shenouda”

Guided by the best interest of the child, the president of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) championed the defence of the rights of the child as guaranteed by the constitution, Child code number 12 /1996 amended by Law 126/2008 and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Khattab wrote an article published on 26 December 2022 by El Masry Alyoum a leading independent news paper. The article highlighted the right of the child to live in a family, biological or alternative and that removing a child from a family environment to place him in an institution is against the rights of the child according to international human rights standards. During its January meeting NCHR unanimously decided to join the defense team in the case of the child Shenouda in Case No. 73338 of 1976, which aims to reunite the child with his alternative family

NCHR issued a statement in early January for the need for the return of the child, Shenouda, to his family. And based on the competence of NCHR in the text of paragraph 17 of Article 3 of Council Law No. 197 of 2017, NCHR assigned its Legislative Committee to consider how to intervene in the judicial case and propose the necessary legislative and procedural amendments to be submitted to the concerned parliamentary and executive bodies, in addition to communicating and coordinating with all concerned parties until this case is resolved in a way that guarantees the best interest of Shenouda, on the Rights of the Child, and minimum standards Child Rights.

NCHR affirmed that the human nature of this situation requires us to take action in the interest of the child to ensure his rights and implement the principles of mercy until the case is decided, which should not be an obstacle to the child’s enjoyment of his right to the decent familyenvironment in which he is raised for a full five years.

In March 2023, the public prosecutor decided to return the child to his alternative family.



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07-02-2023

Moushira Khattab at the Al-Azhar Symposium at the Book Fair: Egypt is making huge efforts to combat human trafficking

Moushira Khattab, President of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), shared a panel with Dr. Nazir Ayyad, Secretary General of the Islamic Research Academy, and Professor Mahmoud Abdel Rahman, member of the Media Center of the Sheikhdom of Al-Azhar, in a symposium organized by Al-Azhar Al-Sharif held at its pavilion at the Cairo International Book Fair, “Human Rights and Combating Human Trafficking Crimes”, Khattab declared that Human trafficking is the modern form of slavery, and that 30% of the victims of human trafficking, are women. She added that men, children and youth could also, be victims, from nationals, immigrants or refugees.

Ambassador Khattab addressed that human trafficking, is considered a crime against humanity, at a time when the world has made great achievements, upholding Human Rights as the standard or yardstick. She explained that Egypt is one of the leaders of the global movement for Human Rights, and it stems from one thing, which is the right to dignity because we are all born equal in dignity, while the crime of human trafficking destroys the human sense of dignity, and represents a violation of Human Rights. Khattab commended the efforts of the Egyptian state and



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the Public Prosecution. Both played tangible role in monitoring complaints, or violations. They spared no effort to assist and protect potential victims. Such efforts lead to reduction of the crime of human trafficking.

Ambassador Khattab highlighted the role of NCHR in combating the phenomenon of human trafficking, and the role of the complaints system, which receives all complaints and refers them to the competent authorities. She added that and there is coordination among many state agencies to provide protection for victims and in particular refugees.

The President of NCHR also appreciated the signing and launch of the Human Fraternity Document, which was inaugurated by the Grand Imam, Dr. Ahmed Al-Tayeb, Grand Sheikh of Al-Azhar, and Pope Francis, Pope of the Vatican.

Dr Nazir Ayyad cited Al-Azhar Foundation as one of the national institutions that cooperates and put its weight behind fighting this crime. The Foundation is keen to foster its role in spreading religious awareness in a practical and professional manner to curb such a crime. He also praised the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the document of citizenship in the cera of the Prophet (PBUH), as being achievements of the modern era, as well as the document of freedoms and the document of brotherhood.



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15-02-2023

Egypt's The National Council for Human Rights issues an international appeal to put aside politics and join efforts to alleviate the suffering of the Syrian and Turkish peoples affected by severe earthquake.

Egypt's National Council for Human Rights - announces its solidarity with the Syrian and Turkish peoples in the catastrophe that befell them as a result of the earthquake that struck the two countries.

The National Council for Human Rights has closely followed the developments in the Syrian and Turkish territories leaving behind thousands of victims affected by the devastating earthquake that struck the Syrian and Turkish territories "southern Turkey and northwestern Syria", in addition to the destruction of infrastructure and basic facilities, especially In Syria, where years of war, have lead to deterioration of the infrastructure and augmented the number of victims (deaths - injured), and aggravated the economic and climatic conditions. This added burden on the victims in those areas, which constitutes a major humanitarian catastrophe, which is what requires the consolidation of all efforts at the international, regional and national levels, to the necessity of a rapid response and the provision of all capabilities and logistical support necessary to alleviate the suffering of the Sulay and Turkish peoples. NCHR as an independent apolitical entitty stresses the importance of setting aside politics and joining efforts to provide more support and assistance to contribute to alleviating the sufferings of the Syrian and Turkish peoples.

NCHR, as an independent national institution that works to ensure , monitor and protect, promote and respect Human Rights, it works on strengthening its cooperation with sister organisations at the regional and international levels. Through its membership of the Arab Network for Human Righttitutions and the African Alliance for National Human Rights



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Institutions NANHRIs, and the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions GANHRIs,

The NCHR appreciates the call made by President Abdel-Fattah El-Sisi, , during his participation in the World Summit of Governments held in the Emirate of Dubai, in which he urged all countries to provide more assistance to the Syrian people in that disaster. NCHR appreciates the assistance provided by the Arab Emirates and the Arab Gulf states to all Arab brothers, but it hopes for more for the Syrian brothers.

NCHR also urges charitable organizations, Egyptian Crescent and Unions to provide medical and food assistance to the Syrian and Turkish peoples. It calls upon the international community to play its role in providing humanitarian relief and more assistance to the victims who were left behind by the earthquake, and the need to provide various types of assistance to all affected areas without exception . He urged authorities in both countries to facilitate the delivery of humanitarian aid. to the victims.



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Khattab: Promoting a culture of tolerance provides a supportive environment for the respect and enforcement of Human Rights

Ambassador Moshira Khattab, President of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), received a delegation headed by Mr. Ahmed bin Muhammad Al-Jarwan president of the Global Council for Tolerance and Peace, and Professor Mahmoud El Meitinii president of Ein Shams University. Welcoming the guests, Khattab mentioned that promoting a culture of tolerance is imperative to nurture an environment supportive of respect, protection, promotion and enforcement of Human Rights, stressing that the nexus between tolerance, peace and Human rights is an important relationship. She asserted that Tolerance is an essential pillar of human



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rights, as it is the basic building block of the Human Rights system in any community.

Khattab explained that tolerance corresponds to the right to enjoy all human rights without discrimination, considering that non-discrimination is a fundamental principle and an integral pillar upon which all Human Rights are based.

Mr. Ahmed bin Muhammad Al-Jarwan and Moushira Khattab agreed to, jointly develop Human Rights based school curriculae to teach children tolerance, Human Rights and respect of diversity. It also provides for training government employees and private sectors to ensure and uphold same values of tolerance and peace.

Mr. Ahmed bin Muhammad Al-Jarwan emphasized that the NCHR in Egypt succeeded in playing an important role in consolidating Human Rights values and promoting its culture, despite the challenges that the Arab region has gone through during the past few years. He said that the Global Council for Tolerance and Peace believes that spreading the values of tolerance implicitly contributes to the dissemination of a culture of Human Rights, as work to spread the culture of Human Rights and its principles includes the consolidation of the values, principles and culture of tolerance.

The protocol of cooperation affirms the desire of both parties to enhance means of cooperation in order to achieve peace, spread the values of tolerance and a culture supportive of Human Rights, and their full enjoyment. The protocol also provides for cooperation to build capacities and promote a culture of Human Rights and of tolerance in order to achieve the goals of peace.

The NCHR, in cooperation with the Global Council for Tolerance and Peace, held a symposium entitled "Mechanisms for spreading the values of tolerance, world peace and human rights" in the context of signing a cooperation protocol between the two councils with the aim of coordinating



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efforts in areas of work that contribute to spreading the values of tolerance and peace regionally and globally. The discussions and interventions of the

attendees concluded that it is necessary to benefit from this cooperation in raising societal awareness of the values of tolerance and peace, and the concepts of Human Rights, and the need to work to unify all societal efforts and capabilities to spread that culture at various levels and start with the family through the school and religious, media and educational institutions at the level and practice on the ground. This requires working to integrate the values of tolerance, peace, and Human Rights into school curricula, community programs, and media content to combat extremist ideology and refute hate speech.

Dr. Mahmoud El-Metini, President of Ain Shams University, and Dr. Hisham Azmy, Secretary General of the Supreme Council of Culture, participated in the symposium on behalf of the Minister of Culture, Vice-President of the British University, Vice-President of October 6 University, members of the NCHR, representatives of the Ministries of Environment, Finance, Education, Youth and Sports, Manpower, Planning and Economic Development and representatives of the universities Fayoum, Al-Azhar, Canadian, and Misr for Science and Technology, in addition to representatives of the concerned and relevant societal sectors, all participated in this event.



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19-02-2023

Journalists participate in a round table discussion organized by the National Council for around the implementation of the National Strategy on Human Rights.

The National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) held a round table discussion entitled "The Role of the Media on Introducing and Disseminating the National Strategy for Human Rights", the roundtable discussion is one component of the activities of the project "Supporting



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Efforts to Enhance Political Participation and Democracy Mechanisms in Egypt", which is implemented by NCHR in cooperation with the Swiss Embassy in tCairo.

A selected group of writers, journalists, media figures, and experts specialized in the field of Human Rights participated in the table.

The work of the round table began with an introductory session, moderated by Dr. Magdy Abdel Hamid, Project Director, during which Ambassador Dr. Mahmoud Karem, Vice President of the NCHR, spoke, indicating that NCHR believes that the success of the strategy in achieving its targeted results will only be achieved effectively through the continuation of the participatory approach that follow up at the stage of preparing the document, in the process of follow-up, evaluation and implementation as well as in cooperation between the concerned authorities.

Also speaking during the session were Mr. George Izhaq, Chairman of NCHR Civil and Political Rights Committee, and Mr. Mohamed Anwar El-Sadat, member of NCHR and the Civil and Political Rights Committee.

The first session was moderated by journalist writer Hisham Younis, and dealt with the media professionals' vision of the National Strategy for Human Rights, where the participants discussed the evaluation of the strategy in the first year to stand on common ground between the various visions and political, intellectual and cultural currents in order to reach specific recommendations that can be submitted to state institutions regarding the implementation of the strategy in the few years coming.

The second session, which was moderated by Dr. Amani Al-Taweel, advisor to Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies, dealt with the formulation of proposals and ideas on the role of the media in disseminating the National Strategy for Human Rights.



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25-02-2023

The National Council Human Rights concludes a training course for workers in the General Office of the Ministry of Social Solidarity

The Training and Capacity Building Department of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) concluded a training course on "Human Rights Basics" for workers at the General Office Ministry of Social Solidarity .

The training course, which lasted for two days, was inaugurated by Ambassador Mahmoud Karem, Vice President of NCHR, Dr. Ismail Abdel Rahman, General Supervisor of the Training Department and member of



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NCHR, and Dr. Ayman El-Sayed, Advisor to the Minister of Social Solidarity.

Karem stressed the importance of intensifying national efforts to build capacities and train state workers in order to enhance the Human Rights march in Egypt, and to consolidate and implement its concepts and culture, stressing that this cannot be done without integrated cooperation with all ministries and government agencies to consolidate the link to reach the desired primary goal, which is spreading and promoting a culture of human rights.

Ismail pointed out that this cooperation comes through the role of NCHR in promoting and upholding human rights values in the field of support and capacity building for government agencies in the country with regard to training and education on the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and in line with the National Strategy for Human Rights in the areas of capacity support.

Dr. Ayman El-Sayed commended the role of NCHR played in supporting and spreading the culture of human rights as an independent national institution that seeks to extend human awareness of their rights and how to enhance them - hoping that the Ministry and its employees will have full knowledge of the basics of Human Rights and public freedoms and how to examine the social phenomena that appear in Egyptian society. and deal with it.

The two-day training course dealt with the nature and origin of Human Rights, the International Bill of Human Rights, the mechanism for dealing with citizen complaints received by NCHR, the definition of the National Strategy for Human Rights, the Convention for Persons with Disabilities, combating discrimination, and the Human Rights crisis at the international and national levels. This course represents it in raising their abilities and knowledge towards the concepts of Human Rights, which have become an integral part of their daily work.



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The President of Egypt's National Human Rights Council participates at the international conference on climate change organized by Qatar Human Rights Committee, chair of the Arab Network for National Human Rights institutions. presents the COP-27 experience to the Climate Change and Human Rights Conference in Doha

Ambassador Moshira Khattab, President of Egypt's National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), took part at the international conference on Climate change held in Doha Qatar, organized by Qatar's National Committee on human rights. Khattab presented Egypt's NCHR. The side event was organized in cooperation with UN Committee on the Rights of the Child/Welfare of the Child. The side event covered the impact of climate change on children at the global level and with particular emphasis on the children of Africa. During a side event at Cop-27 hosted by Egypt in Sharm El Sheikh. Khattab chaired and moderated the side event, vice chair of CRC and of ACERWC gave their insights. The side event built on the outcome of



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the International conference held in Addis Ababa and organized by Africa Child Policy Forum.

In Doha chaired the working group dealing with good practices experiences of NCHRI's. She also presented Egypt's experience in hosting the Cop27 Climate Summit, and dealt with the side event organized by the NCHR in cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Child Rights Committee in Geneva, and the Committee of African Experts for the rights and welfare of the child and dealt with the repercussions of the climate on the rights of millions of children around the world, especially in Africa.

Khattab also reviewed the state of the Arab countries and the Middle East region, which are at the forefront of countries vulnerable to the repercussions of climate change, and stressed the importance of regional and international cooperation to address these challenges, and declared that Egypt is open to exchanging experiences and transferring its successful experience in hosting the Sharm el-Sheikh summit to the UAE, which is hosting the 28th summit. climate at the end of this year, and stressed the importance of building on the achievements made in Sharm el-Sheikh.

The President of the NCHR also extended condolences to Turkey and Syria for the victims of the devastating earthquake, calling for stronger international solidarity, setting aside politics and providing support to the peoples of the two countries affected the worst natural disaster .



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27-02-2023

The National Council participates in the meetings of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in Geneva

The National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) participated with a high-level delegation in the meetings of the 137th session of the Human Rights Committee in Geneva, Switzerland, which considered state party reports presented by Egypt, Panama, Peru, Sri Lanka, Turkmenistan and Zambia , on national efforts towards implementation of the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

Ambassador Moushira Khattab, NCHR president, presented a shadow report prepared the evaluation of NCHR for the report submitted by the Standing Committee on Human Rights and the state of civil and political rights in Egypt during the period from November 2020 to September 2022 before the members of the committee.

Ambassador Moushira Khattab confirmed that NCHR touched the existence of a political will to enhance the state of civil and political rights, by launching the National Strategy for Human Rights and reshaping the committee of the Presidential Pardon and working on the release of the prisoners and their reintegration and rehabilitating them, as well as the launching by the state a National Dialogue open to the entire spectrum of political currents, which constitutes a base on which can be built on to support the state of civil and political rights.

She added that the Egyptian state is dealing with concern with Human Rights issues, and this is evident in the formation of the new NCHR, which adheres to the Paris Principles, and in which women occupy a predominant percentage, as a woman heads for the first time NCHR since it was established, pointing to the interest of NCHR in receiving citizens' complaints n the field of Human Rights through the complaints system and that it touches the incresing interest of citizens in it, which is a sign of their confidence in the national mechanisms of human rights. It also pointed to



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the fruitful cooperation between the complaints system with the Presidential Pardon Committee, in addition to NCHR ten visits to the reform and rehabilitation centers within 10 months, which is an unprecedented percentage in the history of NCHR, as well as preparing NCHR a training guide to visit the detention centers based on the Nelson Mandela rules for treatment of inmates.

At the end of the Ambassador Moushira Khattab presentation of the report of NCHR, the members of the committee asked a number of questions that the chairman and a number of members participated in.

During his response to the questions of committee about the role of the NCHR, Ambassador Mahmoud Karem, Vice -President of the NCHR, pointed out that the National Strategy for Human Rights created a new reality and reflected the state's pledge to provide the legal file a special priority, stressing the great role that NCHR monitors the human rights situation in Egypt and informs about it, stressing that reports of NCHR reflect the reality, as it plays a pivotal role in reviewing the legislation and its consistency with international human rights standards. He pointed out that NCHR monitors the implementation of the National Strategy and talks about right and wrong and open to cooperation with civil society organizations, pointing to the state's celebration of civil society and allocating a full year to take care of the issues of civil society.

Ambassador Karem said that NCHR was the first to form its recommendations for National Dialogue, as the complaints system of NCHR worked positively with the Presidential Pardon Committee, pointing out that matters in Egypt are developing quickly for the better, especially related to Human Rights issues, and stressed that Egypt respects the separation of powers, stressing independence The Judiciary and that there is no interference in the work of the judiciary, stressing that the openness of NCHR to cooperation with international partners and that it is doing its best to improve the conditions of Human Rights.

A number of members of NCHR responded to the committee's questions regarding the independence of the judiciary, stressing that the Egyptian



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judiciary has a well documented history, as it was established in the thirties of the last century and is independent and stable throughout history according to the ruling regimes and that the executive authority is not entitled to isolate the judiciary where the Judicial Authority law only allows referral to validity in the case the judge committed a crime that violates his neutrality or a crime against honor. With regard to the type of study obtained by judges and lawyers, both of them graduate from law colleges.

The members of NCHR explained that Egypt has 106 political parties, which is a very large number compared to major western countries with two or three parties, and that the 1977 political parties law was amended several times, the most important amendement of which is the establishment of procedures for establishing a party, as the number required to establish a party was established as o ly fifty Egyptian citizens, a small number compared to a population of 110 million people. It is only forbidden to establish parties that are based on military militias, obtaining financing from abroad or being a branch of a party in a foreign country.

Participarw in the discussion, were members of the delegation, Dr. Wafaa Benjamin, Professor Samira Luka, Professor Saeed Abdel Hafez, Professor Abdel -Gawad Ahmed, and Professor Mahmoud Bassiouni.



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01-03-2023

The European Union Commissioner for Human Rights appreciates and follows with interest the efforts of President El-Sisi to advance Human Rights issues and his keenness on the growing realization of Egyptian Human Rights.

Moushira Khattab, President of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), met yesterday, Wednesday, Ambassador Eamon Gilmore, Special Representative for Human Rights of the European Union, in Geneva, Switzerland, at the head of a delegation from NCHR that included Ambassador Dr. Mahmoud Karem, Vice President of NCHR and members of NCHR Dr. Wafa Benjamin, professor Nihad Abu Al-Qumsan, Dr. Samira Luka, Abdel-Gawad Ahmed, during the sidelines the participation of NCHR in discussing the fifth periodic report of Egypt in the 137th session of the Commission on Human Rights, which discusses the reports of Egypt, Panama, Peru, Sri Lanka, Turkmenistan and Zambia regarding their implementation of the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

Ambassador Moushira Khattab said that NCHR intends to build on the discussions that took place on the parallel events of these important



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meetings and push to strengthen the powers of NCHR so that it can play its role more effectively in monitoring national efforts that translate the National Strategy for Human Rights into tangible results and practical steps.

Ambassador Gilmore congratulated Egypt on its achievements in the field of Human Rights, particularly the promotion of women's rights and religious freedoms. The European official also affirmed the European Union's interest in economic, social, and cultural rights, just as it is in civil and political rights. He also welcomed NCHR preparation of a training manual for visits to prisons and rehabilitation centers in line with Human Rights standards for the treatment of inmates in detention centers to ensure that they obtain their basic rights.

Gilmore also welcomed the re-formation of the Presidential Pardon Committee and work on the release of prisoners, their reintegration and rehabilitation, as well as the Egyptian state's announcement of opening the way for a national dialogue inclusive of all political currents.

For her part, Moushira Khattab praised the existing cooperation with the European Union.



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02-03-2023

The National Council for Human Rights reviews its experience at a high-level international conference for Grievances Bureaux in Morocco

Dr. Walaa Gad Al-Karim, member of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), participated as representative of NCHR at the high-level international conference for the Secretariat of Grievances and the Umbudsman institutions, which was hosted by the Royal Academy in the Moroccan capital Rabat on February 28, 2023 under the high patronage of His Majesty King Mohammed VI, headed by Mohamed Ben Alilou the mediator of the Kingdom vice president of the Francophone Imbodsman Association.

The conference was held at the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Mediator (Moroccan Grievances Bureau) under the title "Ensuring the developmental dimension of the Human Rights activity in public policies."

The international conference witnessed a high-level presence of leaders and heads of the National Human Rights Institutions (NHRI) and secretariats of Grievances Bureaux from several European, African and Arab countries, in addition to experts and international officials from various networks and



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Grievances Bureaux from the Francophone and Europeans alliances.
The conference witnessed in-depth discussions on the roles of NHRIs and

Grievance Bureaux in accordance with the relevant United Nations General Assembly resolutions.

For his part, Dr. Walaa Gad Al-Karim, member of the NCHR and head of NCHR Complaints System, reviewed in a working paper that reflects the vision of the National Council for Human Rights regarding the role of national institutions in achieving justice, fairness and the rule of law, the roles played by the NCHR in Egypt during the previous period in dealing with complaints and grievances related to Human Rights violations, the successes that was achieved through investing the President's initiatives to use his authority in the presidential amnesty for a large number of prisoners, and the inclusion of demands related to the main challenges to enhance human rights in the axes of the National Dialogue Initiative launched in April 2022.

The paper submitted by Dr. Gad Al -Karim also touched on the features and indicators that reflect the compatibility of the performance and system of the NCHR with international principles and standards that guarantee independence, efficiency and empowerment of the institutions of the grievances and NHRIs, whether Paris principles or the General Assembly of the United Nations resolutions.

Gad Al-Karim emphasized that the Egyptian constitution and the NCHR law No. 197 of 2017 ensure the participation of NCHR effectively in enhancing the implementation of Human Rights obligations and achieving justice, fairness, and the rule of law.

The NCHR member added in his paper that the current formation of NCHR is based on the historical heritage of the previous formations



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The paper that was presented during the session on indicators of the success of the of NCHR complaints system in dealing with the allegations of Human Rights violations, and the unprecedented development in the rates of engagement and interaction of the concerned authorities with the reports of NCHR, as well as increased community confidence In the system as witnessed by the unprecedented numbers of reports which are also used as indicators ans guide for the priorities of the reforms adopted by NCHR and a tool to follow up the implementation of the targets of the National Human Rights Strategy.



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05-03-2023

Members of Egypt's Students's Union at the School level engage in a conversation concerning Egypt's first ever national strategy for human rights and select young ambassadors for human rights.



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Moushira Khattab, welcomed Dr. Reda Hegazy, Minister of Education and Technical Education at the headquarters of the NCHR .The meeting with the Students's Union of the Schools of (SUSR), centered around the role of youth in implementing the national strategy for human rights.

Dr. Reda Hegazy welcomed the attendees, appreciating the efforts made by the Ambassador, Moushira, President of NCHR. Hegazy hailed the bilateral cooperation with NCHR with a view to implementing the national strategy for human rights.

The Minister stressed that the reform of education is the state project, pointing to the Ministry's efforts to develop curricula, on an ongoing basis, providing school libraries with books that enhance human rights, and call for rejecting violence and extremism, and seeking to form a different educational environment that does not allow extremism to know its path to our educational institutions.

The Minister pointed out the inclusion of the curricula of the Arabic language, religious education and national education, which deals with human rights and citizenship, as well as confronting the phenomenon of bullying, pointing to the issuance of a periodic directive circular for international schools and exemplary official schools directing them to adhere to the holding of national identity exams (Arabic language, religious education, and national education) and for the directors of these material subjects at the level of the Ministry to set these exams for the second semester to enhance interest in these materials.

The Minister also stressed the Ministry's interest in promoting awareness at the level of directorates and educational departments in the nature of persons with special needs and the best way to deal with them and to facilitate their daily dealings, their participation and integration as a full partner in the society.

The Minister pointed out that the ministry, in cooperation with NCHR, reviewed the curricula from the Human Rights perspective to clear textbooks from any content which may contradict these rights; In the hope of raising a generation characterized by full awareness of its correct values, with the aim of developing curricula as a major tool to establish Human



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Rights values and spread its culture.

The Minister stressed the keenness to form elected student councils in a competitive context, through which the student learns the values of participation, dialogue, discussion and tolerance, the values of participation and belonging, and enhance the school status because it is the natural place to learn.

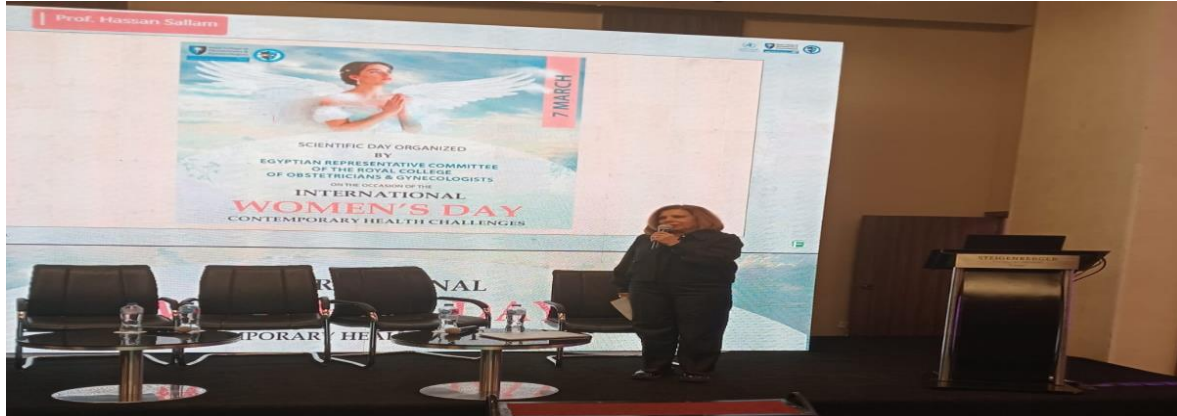
The Minister also pointed to cooperation with the Ministry of Culture in promoting the strategy of building the Egyptian person, through the activities and events organized by the Ministry by specialists in all areas of creativity in discovering and refining the skills of talented people in the fields of arts and literature in the stage of young people and youth, which helps to create a conscious and enlightened generation .

In her speech, the Ambassador, Moushira Khattab, welcomed the attendees, stressing that Human Rights are a way to solve incurable problems and are the most important issue in the world, stressing the extent of the attention attached This meeting is within the framework of activating this strategy, spreading awareness of human rights, and addressing human rights problems.

The Ambassador, President of the NCHR, said: “During this meeting, we are pleased to listen to the students present in NCHR and follow up on the extent of development in education in the interest of students and the reflection of that development in their favor and we can learn about practical simulation by listening and discussing students, whether questions or opinions, and seeking students’ opinion about the comparison between the existence of clear curricula for human rights or extracurricular activities, stressing that the duty is completely related to rights and everyone must be committed to the application of rights with duties”. She also praised the students of SUSR present from the participating governorates, describing them as ambassadors of human rights in their governorates, representing 25 million students from the strongest and most important population segment.



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08-03-2023

The President of the National Council for Human Rights raises the alarm concerning rising rates of "Caesarean section" and calls for tightening the implementation of conventions in order to preserve the health of mothers

On the occasion of International Women's Day:

Moushira Khattab, President of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) , expressed her concern at the high rates of cesarean delivery in Egypt. Khattab flagged the medical responsibility towards the health and well-being of the recipients of the medical service, as well what appears to be the transformation of a great and dignified profession into areas that may appear gray.

Khattab explained that the high rates of resorting to caesarean section is a decision that may be taken by the doctor, or by the woman who is about to give birth, but in both cases there is a great responsibility on the doctor, to educate the woman about the consequences and potential negative effects on her health and the health of her newborn. She added that important rights are threatened by this development. As it constitutes a violation of the right to obtain information, the right to obtain the highest possible level of advice and medical service, and empties women's right to the freedom to make decisions based on correct information related to and affecting their health. It also constitutes a violation of the right for the best interest as a



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primary consideration in any decision or procedure related to the child. The right of the child to enjoy the highest possible level of physical and psychological health, and the right to development and survival by obtaining the highest possible level of service and health care.

The President of NCHR indicated that such operations represent violence against women and negligence on the part of the doctor

Khatab praised the attention given by Dr. Khaled Abdel Ghaffar, Minister of Health and Population, to this phenomenon and the speed of action through several directives, which would work to reduce the unjustified increase in the rates of caesarean section deliveries, in return for increasing the demand for natural deliveries, in the framework of preserving the health of the mother and fetus. and improving the general health of citizens.

The round table discussion amidst the celebration of the Association of Fellows and Members of the British Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynecology in Egypt, entitled "Contemporary Health Challenges", coinciding with International Women's Day, which falls on the eighth of March, in the presence of Dr. Wafa Benjamin, member of NCHR and Ms. Nihad Abu Al-Qumsan is a member of NCHR, members of the House of Representatives and the Senate, representatives of the World Health Organization, representatives of the United Nations for Women, the United Nations Population Fund, and UNICEF, members of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists working in Egypt, in addition to representatives of civil society and the media.



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09-03-2023

Ambassador Moushira Khattab: over 5,000, both male and female students, engaged in meetings around human rights . The National



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Council for Human Rights trained 5,000 university students on the principles of Human Rights

The National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) organized an open meeting at NCHR headquarters with Ain Shams University Ambassador Moushira Khattab, and, Dr. Mahmoud El-Metini, President of Ain Shams University, engaged into conversation with students concerning their role into the implementation and activation of the cooperation protocol signed between Ain Shams University and NCHR in order to work together in Implementation of the National Strategy for Human Rights. The meeting was attended by Ambassador Mahmoud Karem, Vice President of NCHR, Ambassador Fahmy Fayed, Secretary General of NCHR, members of NCHR, Dr. Anas Jaafar, Dr. Ismail Abdel Rahman, Dr. Wafa Benjamin, Professor Samira Louka, Professor Essam Shiha, Professor Muhammad Mamdouh, Dr. Walaa Gad Al-Karim, Dr. Hoda Ragheb and from Ain Shams University. Dr. Shahira Samir, Executive Director of the International Relations and Cooperation Sector, Dr. Jihan Ragab, Advisor to the Vice President for Community Service and Environmental Development, Dr. Samia Abdo, Deputy Director of University Hospitals, Dr. Chirut Al-Ahmadi, Director of the Expatriate Department at the university, and a group of faculty members at the university.

The President of NCHR welcomed Dr. Al-Matini and the students delegation accompanying him, and expressed her thanks to the university for the cooperation that resulted in the cooperation protocol signed on December 28, 2022, and the implementation of several meetings with university students to raise awareness of human rights. Khattab added that young people are the biggest and most influencer group of population in Egypt. that stand to benefit from the National Human Rights Strategy launched by President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, noting that they are the group that is able to change the attitude and value system of public opinion by virtue of their young age and strong impact on their families, She stressed that the launch of the strategyputs Egypt a cross road to advance the quality of life of its citizens.



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Khattab explained that NCHR held meetings with students of public and private universities, and over 5,000, both male and female students, participated in these meetings, with the aim of raising awareness, protecting and promoting Human Rights among the youth of different universities, and implementing the National Strategy for Human Rights, adding that NCHR will choose ambassadors for Human Rights from among university youth for what Youth represents an active force and pillar in society.

While Prof. Dr. Mahmoud El-Metini expressed his appreciation for the role of the NCHR since its inception in 2003 until now, headed by Ambassador Moushira Khattab.

El-Metini appreciated the cooperation between Ain Shams University and NCHR for the sake of Egypt's youth, as they represent a large and important segment within society. The university works to provide them with the knowledge and skills necessary to build their homeland.

Al-Matini explained that university students study the principles of Human Rights through the (societal issues) curriculum, and this curriculum represents one of the graduation requirements for all students, and it was approved by the Supreme Council of Universities from within the university, where university students represent a large number of different nationalities from countries of the world. A film was shown explaining the establishment of NCHR and its role in spreading, protecting, and promoting human rights. An open discussion and dialogue took place among university students about their role in implementing the National Strategy for Human Rights and what are the rights and duties that they must know and learn in order to set an example within their community and contribute what they have learned to building society. Joint cooperation between NCHR and the university, which will be carried out during the coming period.



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12-03-2023

National Council for Human Rights hoted by the Senate to present the results of its participation at the consideration of Egypt's 5th periodic report on the implementation of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights in Geneva

Moushira Khattab, President of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), headed a delegation of members of NCHR to the Committee on human Rights at the Senate, reviewed the important outcome of NCHR participation in the meetings of a United Nations committee on Civil and Political Rights during a meeting organized by the Human Rights and Social Solidarity Committee of the Senate, chaired by Representative Eng. Mohammed Heiba.



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Moushira Khattab said that the presentation of Egypt's 5th periodic report on the implementation of civil and political rights after a delay of more than seventeen years is a positive step in the right direction. It indicates a new resolve to implement its international commitments in order to advance the rights of the Egyptian citizen. She pointed out that the participation of the Egyptian official delegation, headed by Counselor Omar Marawan, Minister of Justice, was very representative and characterized by a multiplicity of disciplines. Khattab praised the contributions of the members of the NCHR who participated in the closed session held by the committee to listen to the evaluation of NCHR, and appreciated the efforts they made during the session and in the contacts and interviews they conducted on the sidelines of the meetings. She presented the results of the interviews that took place on the sidelines of the session with officials of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Commission of the European Union, and that the interviews reflected an appreciation for the role of NCHR as the independent national institution established under the Paris Principles. She also appreciated the speech of constructive cooperation with the Egyptian Parliament in its two chambers, and stressed the importance of the House of Representatives' decision to review the Criminal Procedure Code, which will hopefully guided by the National Strategy for Human Rights.

Chair of human rights committee at the Senate Muhammad Heiba praised the performance of NCHR during the Geneva meetings and, which will reflect positively on the development of the human rights system within the framework of the national strategy.

Moushira Khattab explained that the participation of the delegation of the NCHR, as an independent national institution, was rich and that extensive dialogues took place with a wide range of international experts, international organizations and representatives of important regional organizations, led by the European Union. She said that NCHR reviewed in Geneva the progress achieved in its "complaints office mechanism", which is currently being developed within the framework of a cooperation program with the European Union. Dr. Mahmoud Karem, Vice President of



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NCHR, also touched on the nature of inquiries and questions that are directed to Egypt in those high-level international forums. Ambassador

Fahmy Fayed, Secretary General of NCHR, spoke about the recent developments in the work of NCHR,. NCHR members, Dr Samira Louka, Dr. Ismail Abdel Rahman, Mr Abdel Gawad Ahmed, Dr. Mohamed Mamdouh, and Mr Ezzat Ibrahim, reviewed various aspects of the Egyptian participation in the international meetings in Geneva. A lengthy dialogue took place between members of the Senate Committee and members of NCHR to discuss all aspects of participation in order to come up with recommendations on how to follow up on the implementation of the concluding observations of ICCPR.



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15-03-2023

The Federation of Egyptian Communities in Europe chooses Ambassador Moushira Khattab as the female figure of the year

The Federation of Egyptian Communities in Europe, headed by Professor Mohamed Al-Zafzaf, announced the selection of Ambassador Dr. Moushira Khattab, President of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR), Women's Personality of the Year for the current year 2023, for her prominent role in the field of human rights, and to clarify the true picture of the human rights situation in Egypt in light of the current challenges and the extent of Egypt's keenness to move forward to improve and pay attention to human rights issues, both at the national level or international.

The federation added that Ambassador Khattab was chosen for her active role in caring for childhood and motherhood issues in Egypt and making them a major focus in Egyptian national planning. While the federation emphasized her active role in advancing women, educating them, defending their issues and enabling them to play a pioneering role, which was evident in their participation in the "Women in Public Service" program.

Ambassador Khattab expressed her thanks and appreciation for this honour from the Federation of Egyptian Communities, appreciating their active role in contributing to supporting communication with Egyptians abroad and their homeland at home.



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The National Council for Human Rights and the office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights hold a training course on capability building of journalists

Within the framework of cooperation between the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) to enhance the executive plan for the training programmes, a training course entitled "Supporting Journalists' Capabilities in Promoting the Human Rights-Based Approach to Journalism Coverage" was held for three days in Cairo, targeting a number of journalists from within Egypt.

Secretary General Fayed stressed that training is a fundamental process through which we work to create cadres, prepare them and develop their skills in the field of human rights, especially when it comes to media and press institutions.

Muhammad Ensour, Director of the Middle East and North Africa Department of OHCHR, stated that the NCHR was one of the first national institutions to be established and is one of the leading institutions in the Arab region, which makes the OHCHR keen to cooperate with it to consolidate and promote human rights concepts, pointing to the great importance of the role of the press elite. Which mainly affects the reader, society and the state in general, so there is an interest from the Commission



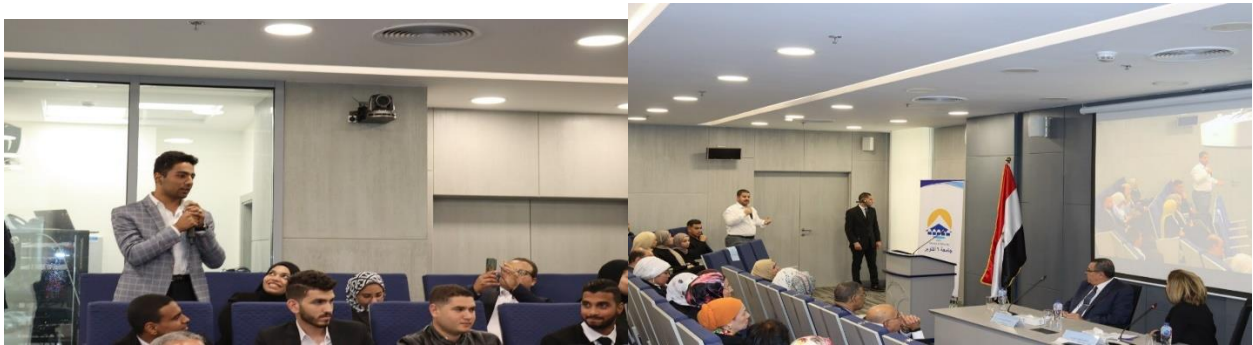
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that the press materials keep pace with the many changes that Egypt has been witnessing in the field of human rights in recent times.

Dr. Ismail Abdel Rahman, a member of NCHR and supervisor of the training and capacity building sector in NCHR, stressed the great responsibility that rests with journalists, so they must be aware of all legal and legislative frameworks, as they are an integral part of our attempts to consolidate the concepts of human rights.



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20-03-2023

The National Council for Human Rights and University of October 6 sign a cooperation protocol on educating students



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In continuation of the of the keen interest of National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) to engage with university youth about human rights, and with a view to prepare qualified cadres capable of disseminating s culture of human rights NCHR headed by Ambassador Moushira, signed a cooperation protocol with the Sixth of October University headed by Dr. Gamal Sami, University President.

Khattab expressed her pride in cooperating with universities, especially Egyptian universities, in the field of education in light of the importance of the role of youth in implementing the national strategy for human rights and how much important it is for young people to realize human rights because of their pivotal role in promoting the culture of human rights because they represent the most vital and courageous value in society.

Dr. Sami also expressed the importance of exchanging visions on social issues affecting society and searching for the most appropriate solutions to them by promoting the culture of human rights among members of society in general and among students in particular, respect for difference, pluralism and the principles of citizenship in accordance with the Egyptian Constitution, the National Strategy for Human Rights and Egypt's Vision 2030.

The meeting focused on an extensive and in depth engaging dialogue with students. Raising awareness among students and the community of the importance of human rights in all fields and proving the idea of citizenship among young people,.

The cooperation between the NCHR and the university aims to encourage youth to become the agents of change, embracing human rights as a way of life. contribute to the implementation of the national strategy for human rights, foremost of which is raising awareness among university youth of human rights, exchanging experts and specialists from members of the NCHR and academics at the Sixth of October University in implementing related activities listed by both parties, and adopting and implementing



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field visit programs. courses for university students to contribute to achieving the desired goals.

The leaders of NCHR and the university held an open meeting where the students discussed the articles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and many human rights issues and the importance of each article. Ambassador Khattab praised the awareness of the October 6 University students, describing them as ambassadors for human rights, promising the students other meetings in this context.

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27-03-2023

The delegation of the National Council for Human Rights holds a series of meetings in Ismailia Governorate

Based on the role of the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) in disseminating, promoting and protecting human rights, and in implementation of the action plan of NCHR, the delegation of NCHR paid a field visit to Ismailia Governorate, with the aim of following up on the implementation of the National Strategy for Human Rights.



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The delegation started the visit by meeting with the Governor of Ismailia, Major General Sherif Fahmy Bishara, Eng. Ahmed Essam El-Din, Deputy Governor, executive and popular leaders, and representatives of professional and labour unions.

The Governor of Ismailia expressed his welcome to the delegation of NCHR headed by Ambassador Moshira Khattab, Dr. Wafaa Benjamin, Chair of the Social Committee, Lawyer Rabeha Fathi, members of NCHR, and researchers from the General Secretariat of NCHR, praising Ambassador Khattab's journey in serving the nation through all the positions she assumed, expressing his appreciation for the role of NCHR in the promotion of human rights. .

Ambassador Moushira Khattab explained that NCHR, in its current formation, attaches great importance to field visits to the governorates to hear the points of view and the important role of the executive bodies in implementing the national strategy for human rights. Khattab added that the annual report has been completed and will be released soon and that the state, during this period, attaches great importance to human rights issues .

The ambassador presented a letter of thanks to the governor for supporting the human rights unit in the governorate and his decision today to support all centers, cities and villages in the governorate with a trained member to communicate directly with citizens and receive all questions and complaints related to the human rights file.

Khattab also affirmed the support of NCHR for the human rights unit in the governorate by providing the necessary training on how to deal with human rights issues, citizens and complaints, explaining that human rights worldwide face many multiple and accelerating challenges .



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Discussions took place between the parliament delegation, members of the House of Representatives, executive leaders, representatives of trade unions, and directors of relevant departments in the governorate about the need for awareness-raising and good training for all citizens, as well as those dealing with the human rights file, to ensure good understanding and effective communication of human rights. A meeting was also held with a number of students of the Suez Canal University and the School Students Union, in the presence of Dr. Nasser Mandour, President of the Suez Canal University, and Dr. Ahmed Musa, Major General of the Republic Students Union.

NCHR President advised that holding such meetings aims to raise awareness and promote human rights among the youth of universities and various schools and implement the national strategy for human rights and declared that ambassadors for human rights will be chosen from among the youth of universities and schools because youth represent an active force and a pillar in society.

At the end of these meetings, the Governor of Ismailia honoured Ambassador Mushira Khattab by awarding her the shield of the governorate in appreciation of the efforts of NCHR in the field of human rights..



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The National Human Rights Council welcomes the decision of the Central Bank to authorize mothers to open bank accounts for minor children

The National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) appreciates the decision of the Central Bank of Egypt, which includes the possibility for a mother to open accounts in the name of her minor children or to link savings accounts to their names, as required by Section (3) of the Money Conservancy Provisions Act promulgated by Legislative Decree No. 119 of 1952, as part of the continuing efforts of the state to facilitate banking transactions for women, and to remove all difficulties or restrictions that may prevent women from obtaining banking services of any kind,

NCHR Economic Rights Committee considers the decision to support women's economic rights and economic empowerment, as well as promoting financial inclusion in society, in order to achieve the goals of the National Human Rights Strategy and Egypt's vision for sustainable development 2030 by achieving gender equality in access to banking services, without discrimination, increasing women's contribution to the domestic product and activating their important role in society in his outfit.

This decision taken by the Central Bank intervenes within the framework of a control of the various practices applied by certain banks in the matter, in particular the absence of the right of the mother to open accounts in the name of her minor children or to bind savings accounts in their names, or limiting the mother's transactions to gift accounts only.