Egypt Timeline 2009–2015

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- EVENTS IN EGYPT
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**2009**
- **JANUARY 25:** President Obama: “Our approach to Egypt reflects a larger point: The United States will at times work with governments that do not meet, at least in our view, the highest international expectations, but who work with us on our core interests.”

**2010**
- **FEBRUARY 11:** President Mubarak resigns, Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) assumes power.

**2011**
- **MARCH 9:** Protestors are detained by the military and some are tortured in the Egyptian Museum. Around 150 are tried and convicted by military courts.
- **APRIL:** How to Tense the Moment in Egypt
- **MAY 19:** President Obama: “[Egypt] can set a strong example for the region through free and fair elections, a vibrant civil society, accountable and effective democratic institutions, and responsible regional leadership. … We look forward to working with all who embrace genuine and inclusive democracy.”

**2012**
- **JANUARY:** Egypt’s interim government declares the Muslim Brotherhood a terrorist organization.
- **FEBRUARY 11:** A court orders the SCAF to dissolve the Islamist dominated parliament.
- **MAY 20:** U.S. State Department spokesperson Patrick Ventrell: “On Egypt, we are deeply concerned by the growing trend of efforts to punish and deter political expression in Egypt.”

**2013**
- **MARCH 24:** Egyptian court sentences 529 members of the Muslim Brotherhood to death. Over 40,000 Brotherhood supporters are reported to be held in detention.
- **JUNE 21:** Defense Minister Sisi warns President Morsi that he must take steps to heal divisions or else the military will be forced to intervene.

**2014**
- **MARCH:** Egypt’s interim government declares the Muslim Brotherhood a terrorist organization.

**2015**
- **JANUARY:** The United States lifts the suspension on the delivery of military hardware, despite the lack of improvement in human rights conditions.
- **MAY:** Morsi is sentenced to death, having previously been sentenced to twenty years in prison on other charges.
- **JUNE 29:** Prosecutor General Hisham Barakat is assassinated by a car bomb outside his home in Helwan as clashes between insurgents and the security forces, and acts of terrorism continue to rise.

**2016**
- **AUGUST:** Secretary Kerry: “We have confidence in Egypt, and it’s important to be beginning to rebuild elements of our relationship based on this Strategic Dialogue. … The American people are committed to the security and to the economic well-being of the Egyptian people, guided by the vibrancy of your own civil society, your politics, your free and fair democratic process.”

This timeline captures key events and developments in Egypt from 2009 to 2015, highlighting significant moments in the country’s political and social history. It includes important dates and actions that reflect the complex dynamics of the period, from President Obama’s approach to Egypt to the fall of Mubarak and the subsequent turmoil, including the rise of the Muslim Brotherhood and the military coup that followed. Each entry is a snapshot of a critical moment, providing insight into the ongoing struggle for democracy and human rights in Egypt.