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### Egypt -- Judges Demand Independence

by Michael in New York on [5/02/2005 11:22:00 AM](#)

Egypt really is in some serious turmoil. Terrorists (including women) attacked a bus of tourists and killed some. The "Enough!" movement continues to inspire street demonstrations. And now a group of **1,200 judges have again demanded full and complete independence from the government** before they'll agree to monitor the upcoming election.

Before I jump to the conclusion that the elections in Iraq inspired all of this, I'll note that the protestors often chant anti-US slogans as well. (No surprise since we've propped up the cruel dictator Mubarak for years.) But if it ain't Iraq -- and I think it is a major factor -- what's inspiring this wave of unrest in Egypt?



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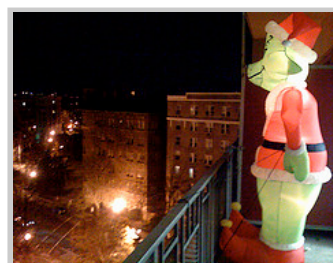
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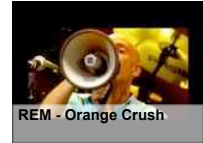
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