



PRESS RELEASE

Dozens arrested in Egypt in wave of homophobic sentiment

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Irantí has recently been made aware of the dire situation in Egypt whereby more than 50 persons have been arrested after a “rainbow flag” was proudly displayed at a concert in Cairo last month. Egyptian authorities have no legal basis for the arrests by the laws of their own country, but despite this, homophobic sentiment remains high. We intend to work closely with our comrades and allies in Egypt, as well as those elsewhere on the continent, to remedy this injustice.

Get involved with the [#عاش_الوان](#) [#ColorsRNotShame](#) hashtags and read the official statement by the Arab Foundation for Freedoms and Equality here for full details.

<http://afemena.org/2017/10/03/statement-human-rights-and-freedom-of-expression-in-egypt-trapped-between-security-services-and-the-media/>

Be sure to sign this petition and help us stand with the Egyptian LGBT community!

<https://go.allout.org/en/a/egypt-lgbt-hunt/>

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