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Spokespeople available for interview on Egypt draft constitution

Egyptians are voting today and tomorrow in a constitutional referendum for the first time since President Mohamed Morsi was deposed in July 2013.

Last month Amnesty International released its analysis of the new draft constitution <u>Egypt constitution draft</u> — <u>Improved text amid ongoing violations</u> which concluded that although it is an improvement on the 2012 constitution passed when Mohamed Morsi was in power, it still falls short of international human rights standards.

The new draft allows for military trial of civilians, discriminates against foreign nationals and leaves room for undue restrictions to be placed on freedom of expression and assembly.

Researchers from Amnesty International's Egypt team are available for interview in English and Arabic on the text of the constitution and current events in the country.

Possible talking points:

- Shortcomings of the current draft constitution
- Intensified crackdown on civil society and political activists
- Clampdown on freedom of expression and assembly
- Selective justice

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