## **Egypt's Significant Role in the Syrian Conflict**

I am sure you all know that I have never been a Politian nor belong to any political party as I hardly cope with the political movements however, the late events that occurred at the Security Council have apparently revealed the stubborn international disputes about the resisting Syria in such a way that unveils its barefaced identity namely the American affairs – Syrian & Russian affairs – Syrian & Iranian affairs – Syrian & Turkish affairs – Syrian & Gulf Countries affairs – Syrian & Kurdish affairs – Syrian & ISIS affairs – Syrian.

I searched into the Egyptian Syrian affairs which is not actually existing amongst the ongoing events despite its legitimacy represented in the unity of words and deeds unlike all these numerous and various destructive interventions.

I reminisce the times of the Egyptian & Syrian Unity where we used to cheer in the morning preparatory school queues repeating the anthem of the United Arab Republic as we saluted the flag moreover, there were school organized visits to Syria where I participated in one for two weeks back and forth by plane in our visit to Syria provided with full accommodation in the Syrian schools that was only worth ten Egyptian pounds; such visits were characterized with warmth and significant welcoming of the young Syrian students whilst the unity songs kept echoing in our ears; of which were Mohamed Kandil's "Wehda Ma Yeghlebha Ghlab" and Sabah's "Men El Moski L Souq El Hamidia". We witnessed how it had torn us apart especially in our secondary education stage upon hearing the separation between Egypt and Syria however the anthem salutation remained the same "Long live the United Arab Republic"; such separation ignited students' revolutions as the one that raged out from our Coptic Secondary School where we carried our Syrian colleagues on

shoulders; of whom a colleague named Ghassan shouting 'from the Pacific Ocean to the Revolutionary Gulf, Here we are Abdel Nasser'.

I remember Shukri Al-Quwatli who willingly and on behalf of his nation assigned the presidency to the leader Gamal Abdel Nasser, there is also an unforgettable historical event that never departs my memory when the Syrians lifted Gamal Abdel Nasser's car above the ground in his first visit to Damascus as the president of the United Arab Republic. Of the other stations that my memory recalls are represented in the essence of unified goal and destiny – unified joint Arab inclination – Egyptian Syrian joint defense treaties – until reaching to the Egyptian Syrian integrated coordination in 1967 war where it witnessed the bloodshed of both the Egyptians and Syrians at the same moments all melting together in dedication after the one-goal.

Egypt as a country with all its past, present and future times used to be unified and shall always be the same with Syria; its nation, humanitarian and cultural content which are always living deep inside the Egyptian nation despite the striking storms that have occurred lately.

I remember an important station that we live in nowadays including a vital question: What is Egypt's stand regarding the Egyptian Syrian affairs after Syria has been trapped in adversity from all sides being surrounded by those who aim to destroy and divide the country for the sake of distributing interests and gains amongst them.

Without a doubt, Egypt has the most substantial and significant role regarding the Syrian conflict after being trapped in all these adversities; as Egypt has no goals or interest because Egypt has always been the common participant in the unified destiny, Arab unity, bridging gaps, avoidance of schemes and conspiracies thus, Egypt is bestowed with the biggest brother prestige that is a unique standing compared to any other.

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I would like to suggest a proposed resolution characterized with the Egyptian identity and direction to be submitted to the Security Council - especially Egypt being a member – calls for an immediate bloodshed, access of humanitarian aid, exit of the disturbing militias outside the country and the regaining of the Syrian unity under the full sovereignty of their country after the sanctity of its territories have been violated by all the intruding foreign and militias troops.

I am quite certain that such proposed resolution by Egypt with all these substantial elements shall be met with an international consensus in consideration of Egypt's standing and its viewpoint regarding the ongoing conflict as well its absolute neutrality in which it stands in the middle of the distance between all parties and in particular the United States, Russia and France.

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