SECURITY

TERRORISM

FOUR YEARS AFTER A MANDATE TO FIGHT TERROR

On July 26, 2013, then-Defense Minister Abdel-Fattah El Sisi asked for a popular mandate to combat terrorism in Egypt. Since then, Egypt's security forces have carried out extensive military and police operations throughout the country, and the government has enacted wide-ranging policies and legislation in the name of the war on terror. As TIMEP's Egypt Security Watch project has documented, the threat in the country has evolved over the past four years, with terror groups becoming more established and attacks still continuing regularly. This factsheet provides a snapshot of developments in Egypt's security in the four years since Sisi's speech.

Timeline of Terror Events 2014 58% of attacks 2,814 have been reported in attacks have North Sinai been reported NOVEMBER 11 Ansar Bayt al-Magdis pledges across Égypt allegiance to the Islamic State, of attacks becoming Wilayat Sinai. have been 2015 unclaimed JULY 1 Wilayat Sinai besieges Sheikh Zuweid in North Sinai. JULY 11 The Islamic State in Egypt emerges with an attack on the Italian Consulate in Cairo. AUGUST 10 Ajnad Misr claims its last attack. OCTOBER 31 Wilayat Sinai claims to have brought down a commercial aircraft over the Sinai Peninsula. killing 224 passengers and crew. 2016 JANUARY 25 Revolutionary Punishment claims its last attack. JULY 16 Hassm emerges with claim of attack in Taamiya, Fayoum. The Popular Resistance Movement AUGUST 5 claims its last attack. Liwaa al-Thawra emerges. AUGUST 21 2.856 1.981 DECEMBER 11 The Islamic State in Egypt claims a suicide bombing at the reportedly killed, reportedly injured. 2017 St. Peter and St. Paul Coptic Orthodox Church in Cairo. including 721 civilians including 953 civilians The Islamic State in Egypt claims **APRIL 9** suicide bombings at churches in Alexandria and Tanta.

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SECURITY WATCH

FOUR YEARS AFTER A **MANDATE TO FIGHT TERROR**

6,492

reported killed

in counter-terror

operations

COUNTER-TERRORISM

As part of its War on Terror, Egypt's military and police forces have conducted wide ranging operations since 2013:

24,635 reported arrested in counter-terror operations



In parallel to its security operations, the government has taken broad legal, social, and political measures in the name of combatting terror:

24 Number of months penalty in prison for reporting "false statistics" based on 2015 counter-terrorism law

128+ Number of websites blocked for "spreading lies" and "supporting terrorism"

97% reported deaths occurred in North Sinai



Number of months of national state of emergency

Number of months 33 of North Sinai state of emergency

The international community has supported Egypt's counter-terror efforts, especially by providing support through financing and sale of weapons:



The United States annually provides Egypt foreign military financing of \$1,300,000,000 The **U.S.**, as part of an excess

defense articles program, provided **762 MRAPs**

Since 2008, Russia has made arms agreements with Egypt totaling more than \$9,000,000,000

Since 2011. France

has agreed to arms sales with Egypt totaling almost \$9,000,000,000



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