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Tuesday, February 20, 2007

Kalu's BBC Interview



Did anyone catch a glimpse of the [interview](#) Orji Uzo Kalu gave to the BBC last week? It was a tragic display of the crudeness and lack of finesse that has characterized the Kalu-led government of Abia State. It was full of bombast, an arcane, mislaid arrogance and patent ignorance.

When the anchor man, Allan Little tasked Kalu about the allegations of fraud leveled against him (being on the top 10 list of the EFCC), he claimed he was a very wealthy Nigerian before he became governor. He made a spurious claim of his company, SLOK, employing over 17,000 Nigerians. All investigations by the writer revealed that this is not true. SLOK employed only about 150 people before Kalu became governor according to sources. The way to prove this will be a look at the Nigerian Inland and Revenue Services books to see how many employee tax returns were remitted by SLOK. Kalu's solution for the Niger Delta problem is also half-brained. He does not seem to have a grasp of the problem facing the Niger



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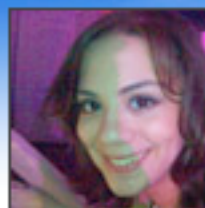
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People's trip on foot

Today is the last day of the sanction resolution of UN. Whoever I see is worried but they say that what we say is not influential. Of course at this stage sanction would affect people's lives and not the authorities and they say people would tolerate the situation. Yesterday among some of the politicians I made a joke that it is said a student who was worried a lot for his entrance exam to university promised God that if I pass the exam, I would send my mother to visit the shine of Imam Reza on foot!*

In politics arena many also decide to send people to holy places on foot.

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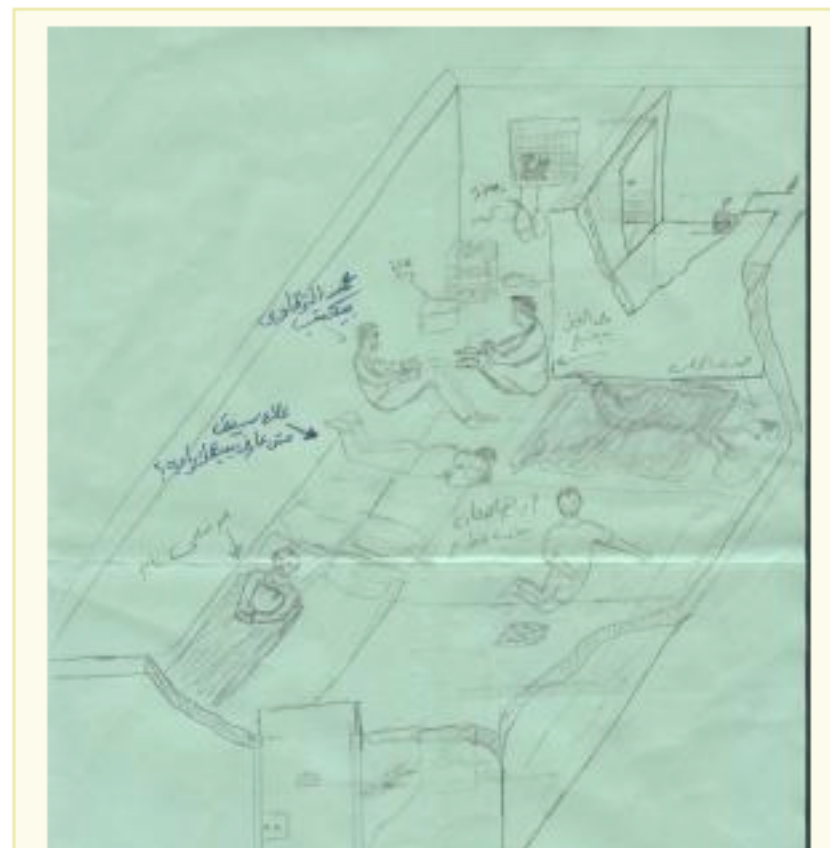
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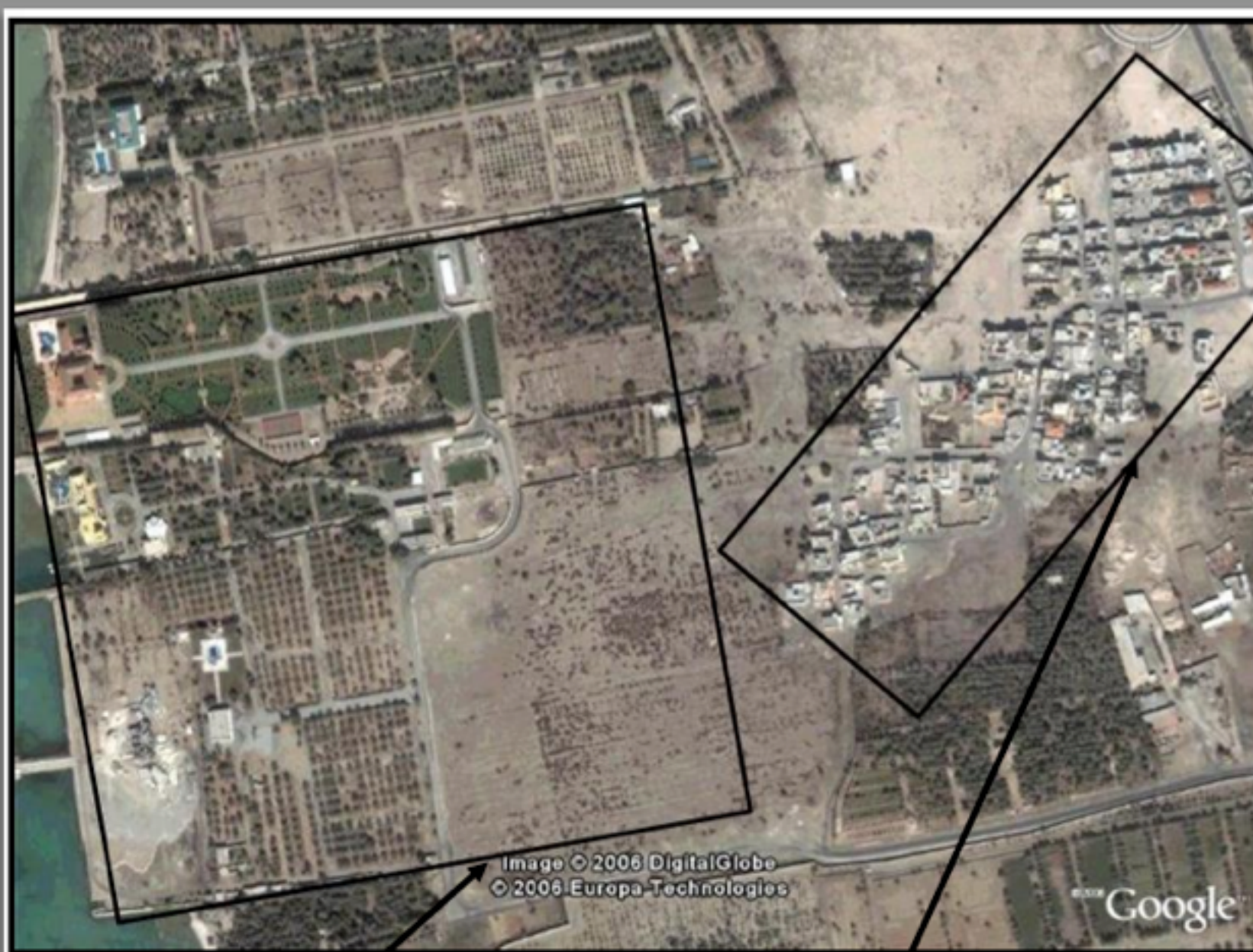
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Zimbabwe: Smuggled DVD brings union protest beatings to light

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This video reached me late last night via [Ethan Zuckerman](#). At nearly ten minutes, it's longer than the other videos we've put up, but I strongly recommend you watch this.



It includes footage of the Zimbabwean police and security intelligence services breaking up a peaceful demonstration by members of the [Zimbabwe Congress of Trades Unions](#) (ZCTU) on [September 13th](#). The police repeatedly beat the demonstrators, who are calling for the provision of antiretroviral (ARV) drugs for the treatment of HIV, a minimum wage, and stabilisation in the prices of certain basic commodities. The bulk of the video involves interviews with the ZCTU members describing the events of the day, and the actions of the police. Ethan and [Rachel Rawlins](#) have kindly provided a [transcript](#).

When news of the beatings originally leaked out, trades unions in other countries [strongly condemned Robert Mugabe's hardline approach with legitimate and peaceful demonstrations](#). Last week a [court dismissed the police report on the incident](#), and [postponed the trial of the ZCTU protestors until October 17th](#), to give the Criminal

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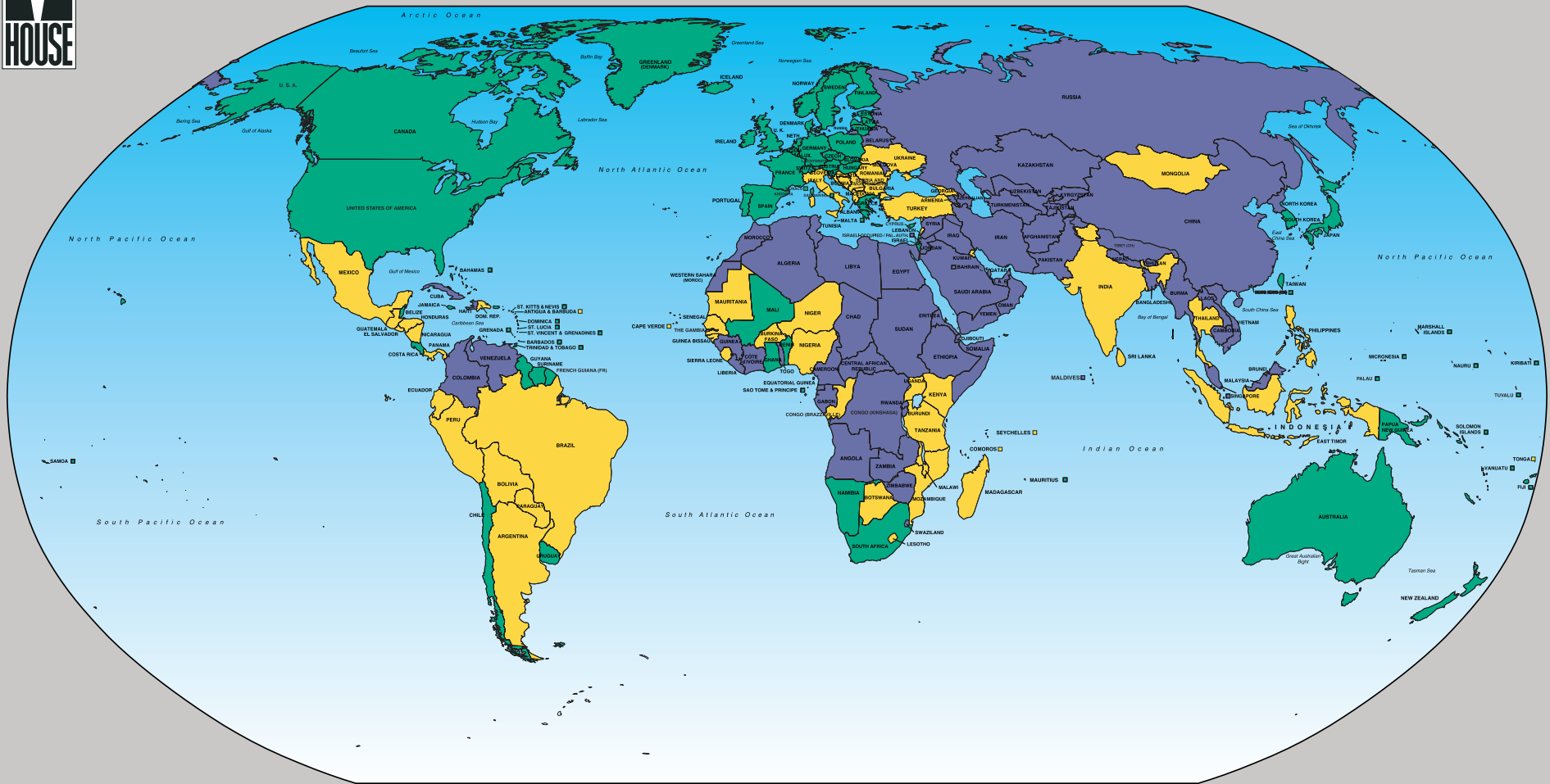
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Free	64	72	73
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Not Free	60	62	67
Total	187	187	194



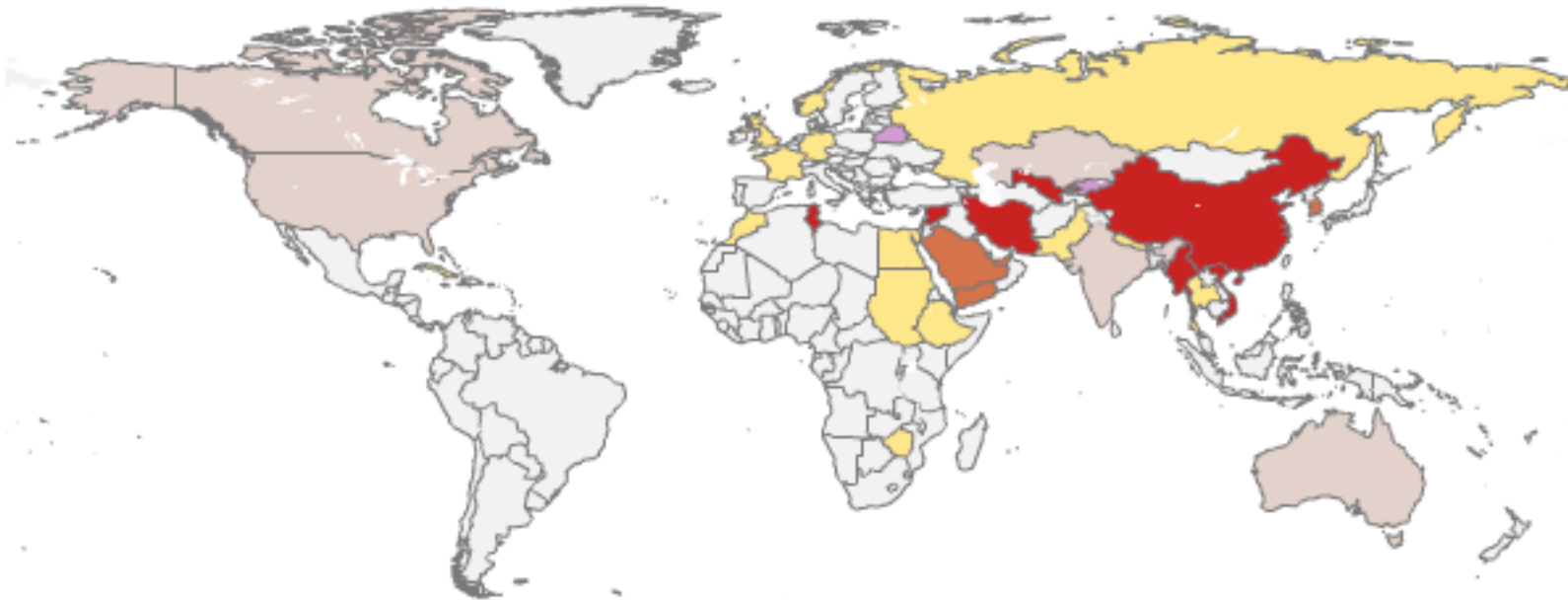
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Little or no citizen media

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Citizen media only free media
Adoption tracks digital divide

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Free expression in mass media

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Muslim Brotherhood Website Blocked in Egypt

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US Congressman Franks to Mubarak: Free This Egyptian Blogger

March 10th, 2007

Congressman [Trent Franks](#) eloquently responds to the Egyptian Embassy's [letter](#) to the Washington Post: [Free This Egyptian Blogger](#). (Hat tip: [Tom Palmer](#))

Free This Egyptian Blogger

Saturday, March 10, 2007; Page A18

The sentencing of Egyptian blogger Abdelkareem Nabil Soliman [[editorial](#), Feb. 28] seriously threatens freedom of expression and religion throughout Egypt.

While Mr. Soliman was critical of extremism within Islam, **the ability to discuss one's religious beliefs is an important aspect of freedom of religion and expression**, both of which are essential in democratic societies and should not be prohibited in legislation. The U.N. Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief has stated that "defamation of religions may offend people and hurt their religious feelings, but it does not necessarily or at least directly result in a violation of their rights, including their right to freedom of religion."

In a March 5 [letter](#), the Egyptian Embassy stated that speech defaming religion can be limited for "not just Islam but all religions."

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2005

It's the 21st of November, and this means that the 7th (and "final") round of the Darfur peace talks is supposed to start today (well, [media reports](#) can't seem to make up their mind as to whether or not they've been postponed, but last we heard they are back on).

Many people over here continue to be amused by this whole "final" thing. More and more, I'm hearing people joke that we've still got another 18 or 19 years of conflict ahead of us - 'hey, just look at how long it took for South Sudan to get a peace deal with the government.' The most depressing days are the ones when I realise that some of them are not joking.

So what's the problem in this round of peace talks? Well, besides the obvious (the fact that none of the parties has ever made the slightest attempt to actually respect the ceasefire agreements or principled declarations they sign during these meetings). this one's mostly down

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October 1, 2006

Anonymous Blogging with Wordpress and Tor

Filed under: [ICT4D](#), [Geekery](#), [Human Rights/Free Speech](#) — Ethan @ 6:53 pm

One of the great joys of working on [Global Voices](#) has been having the chance to work with people who are expressing themselves despite powerful forces working to keep them silent. I've worked with a number of authors who've wanted to write about political or personal matters online, but who felt they couldn't write online unless they could ensure that their writing couldn't be traced to their identity. These authors include human rights activists in dozens of nations, aid workers in repressive countries as well as whistleblowers within companies and governments.

I wrote [a technical guide to anonymous blogging](#) some months back and posted it on Global Voices, outlining several different methods for blogging anonymously. Since then, I've led workshops in different corners of the world and have gotten comfortable teaching a particular set of tools – Tor, Wordpress and various free email accounts – which used in combination can provide a very high level of anonymity. The guide that follows below doesn't offer you any options – it just walks you through one particular solution in detail.

You can feel free to ignore the "why" sections of the guide if you want a quicker read and if you're the sort of person who doesn't need to know why to do something. I hope to format this more prettily at some point in the future, but for now, it's just a collection of notes and links.

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Bloggers are often the only real journalists in countries where the mainstream media is censored or under pressure. Only they provide independent news, at the risk of displeasing the government and sometimes courting arrest.

Reporters Without Borders has produced this handbook to help them, with handy tips and technical advice on how to remain anonymous and to get round censorship, by choosing the most suitable method for each situation. It also explains how to set up and make the most of a blog, to publicise it (getting it picked up efficiently by search-engines) and to establish its credibility through observing basic ethical and journalistic principles.



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Contents:

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- ✦ Getting your blog picked up by search-engines

Events-based filtering

Kyrgyzstan, February-March 2005

blocking of independent media through DOS

Hijacking, cloning of KelKel site:

“Have fun while you’re still young!”

Birge site redirection

Similar pattern in Belarus

Blocking of charter97.org

Impact: expatriates, journalists, organizers



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أطلق سراح معتقلي كفر الشيخ الأربعة منذ قليل وهم الآن بخير

إعتصام بنقابة الصحفيين

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English

The "Kefaya" Movement Calls Upon the Arab Peoples to Pressure for the Use of the Oil Weapon

Submitted by كفاية on الاثنين, 07/08/2006 - 09:56

"The Egyptian Movement for Change "Kefaya

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مؤتمراً صحفياً الثلاثاء لكفاية 12 ظهراً
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جدول أعمال مؤتمر القاهرة ليوم الخميس 29-3
(event) (3 days)

جدول أعمال مؤتمر القاهرة ليوم السبت 30-3
(event) (3 days)

جدول أعمال مؤتمر القاهرة ليوم الجمعة 31-3
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نحو مقاطعة شاملة لكل مراحل «الانقلاب الدستوري»

Questions for election monitors:

- Should we monitor online speech in an election context? How?
- If newspapers are prohibited from political reporting prior to elections, do we restrict blogs?
- How can we prevent domain name hijacking, as we saw in Kyrgyzstan?
- What about pseudonymous speech? Libel, slander issues?

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