

No Way Out – poetry, prose, short stories, essays, articles and anecdotes – By Arnold Bathersfield

BLINDFOLD OBLITERATED!

The “I” had a dialogue about international events – in particular, Egypt –
Yes! KMT/Kemet –

Underside up! Fundamentally so –

No Fear! No Fear of Transformation and Freedom – Freedom and
Transformation – Yes! Regionally and Internationally - -

The Mastaba Vibrates! Vibrates!

Hopefully, shattering autocrats/despots, oligarchs, monarchs, totalitarians,
arabization and fragmentation, provocateurs, state repression, torture protocols,
and cultural purging – No pun!

Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!

What about the World before the Floods? What about the Nubian Societies?

Further, what about the sage Tehuti/Thoth? ...and my colleague and friend
politely asked – “Patrick, why are you going there?” And “the I” clasped the
moment – “Poetry has form – it is a “work of art” – Literary - - I am submitting,
that you can pick one among these forms – Sonnet, Triolet, Villanelle, Freeverse-
Iambic, Memoirs, Verse – Because, I am not thus trained!”

Drum! Drum! Drum!

The Nile River flows north from Lake Victoria to the Mediterranean ---

Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!

Lift Up! Lift Up! Lift Up! Africa – Lift Up!

Let us celebrate – Yes! The Nile River – the World’s Longest River – and its
elements are purging the Banks – Ah! Purging its Banks –

The onslaught continues! Continues! Stay focus - - Drum! Drum! Drum!

Instability! Instability! “Bye, bye Mubarak!

Equilibrium! Equilibrium! Ah! Equilibrium! –

Youthful dynamism – mingled with directional anger – How innocent and pure!

Drum! Drum! Drum!

People are Power Brokers – Tyrants feed on instability –

The youths are energized, vigilant, engaged, focused, enlightened ...Everything at
their finger tips – All are journalists and videographers – Yes! Journalists and
videographers

Yes! The voices of the voiceless mobilizing, collaborating and consolidating- as they
navigate the digital landscape electronically – Tweeting, Blogging, Texting, Posting, -
Forging direct action, through mass protest against the Regime – Yes! The Mubarak
Regime –

And the chant continues – shattering autocrats/despots, oligarchs, monarchs, state
apparatuses - and provocateurs are back tracking. Yes! Reversing Policies –

Drum! Drum! Drum!

People are entrenched amidst misguided Regional and Western analysis. Yes! Entrenched
in the “Epicenter” (Tahrir square) – Blindfolds are Obliterated. Yes! No fear –Shoes in
the air! Shoes in the air!

The lions roar- the camels and elephants are roving – and the security apparatuses are
crumbling as the dolphins vibrate ---

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And the Nile River continues to rise, while its elements are purging its banks –
Yes! Purging its banks – as mass discontents are verbalized -
A new day enfolding! State corruption amplified – Politics and Business -
People’s power within grasp! State machinery foiled -
Activist – activated – no passivity – mirroring their future -
Activism – actualize – Political tragedy – scrutinized -
Civil society embolden nationally – re-kindling hope -
Mobilization galvanized, regionally and internationally -
Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!
Drum! Drum! Drum!

Direct action ensued – Party symbols torched -
No centralization of power – State of siege forecasted -
Dilemma or Revolution!
Resiliency! Resiliency! Oh! Resiliency -
Wisdom of the streets – in the streets – State institutions are liberated by ‘the people’
For “the people” -
Earnest campaign – voice – voices – social networking – media networks -
Visibility monitored -
No Fear! No fear! Lives in jeopardy – many injured and maimed – many died and will
continue to die, as the count and chant continues – Continues! Many are arrested -
Incommunicado!
Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!
Regime change! Regime change!
Drum! Drum! Drum!

Autocrats- tyrants are brutal, callous – have no conscience – and some fear Islamist -
Others fantasize the Muslim Brotherhood –
What about other Orthodox Dogmas? State Capitalism and the Military
Industrial Complexes –
Historically revolutions are Bloody – Yes! Bloody --- No Arm Chair!
Drum! Drum! Drum!

What is an orderly transition?
People’s Power! People’s Power!
Class Shift – Street Dynamics – Unanimity of attitude -
Young women are on the front lines – Front lines! Collaborating with young men -
And the elderly and children are empowered – Dawn is breaking – A new day enfolding!
Chanting with banners – Regime Change! Regime Change!
No compromise – Hosni Mubarak must go – “Go Mubarak Go”
Leave! Leave! Leave!

Chanting continues – Total transformation – Cairo (Tahrir Square/Liberation Square),
Sinai, Alexander, Suez, Mansoura, Arish, Tanta, El-Mahall, el-Kubr –Hunkering!
Hunkering!
The masses are Hunkering and chanting throughout the Nation- Regime Change!
Mubarak Must Go! – As they continue to March and Chant – Showcasing diversity
and unity – young, old, the religious, men – women – children – dissidents- same cry -

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Regime Change! Mubarak Must Go! Even babies with bandannas – Yes! Babies with bandannas – setting the stage for regime change – Wow! National sentiment emerging-
Shoes in the air – Shoes in the air -

No visible Fragmentation. Yes! No visible fragmentation –
“Go Mubarak Go” – Mubarak must Go!
Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!

Crocodiles are surging – and the River Nile is rising and purging –
Drum! Drum! Drum!
Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!

And this “writer” is asking? – “What about the rights of the Indigenous Nubian Societies” – Yes! The protection of the Nubian culture, languages, literature, writing systems, institutions, lands, histories, oral traditions, philosophies – Remember! I am only asking – “Are the Nubians consumed in the picture, or are they under containment” – “Yes! Containment” –

Drum! Drum! Drum!

Embrace all civil societies! Hug them – Street children too -
No subjugation but inclusion –
Remember the Four Freedoms Agreement – A signed pact by the Sudanese and Egyptian Governments – Research! Research! Research!
Empires! Empires! Empires! “They manipulate History” and
“Manipulate consciousness” ---

Drum! Drum! Drum!
Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!
No Arabization –

Remember the issues of Kajbar Dam, High Dam of Aswan, Meroe Dam
My Brother, by now you should grasp some of the Historic complexities -
*Mass human conditioning and man’s inhumanity to man –
Remember Tunisia’s President Zine Elabidine Ben Ali – self exiled –
What about Haiti’s kidnapped President Jean-Bertrand Aristide?

Drum! Drum! Drum!
Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!
The Revolution is in Motion...No Half Stepping!
You feel the Rhythm- Pulsating!

President Hosni Mubarak, Vice- President Omar Suleiman and his schizophreniac agents of doom are out of touch with the indigenous perspectives, which they blotted out from “Being” Egyptians – viewing the masses as their subjects, with contempt and callousness. Can they do the Cadance? Or the Cha-Cha –
President Jean-Bertrand Aristide could – that’s why they spirited him out ...and the “Whistle” Resonates!

Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!

The revolution is not static – The masses are on the move! On the Move!

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Implements of war on the streets- state apparatus, barbed wires, tugs amidst demonstrators –
But! The youths are defiant, valiant and fearless. They found their voice- voices – as they
continue to withstand the onslaught – chanting – Structural Transformation and regime
Change!

Social Revolution is imminent – Liberation and Freedom

Change will come! Soca, is in the air – “Nobility is as noble does”!

The youths are well schooled – The masses understand – the geopolitical implications of
“Democracy in Egypt” –

What about the Palestinian Peoples, in particular the People of Gaza, who elected Hamas?

Rhythm! Rhythm! Rhythm!

Stay the course!

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*Pride and Dignity restored by “The People of Egypt”

2/11/2011 It was said by the Vice President of Egypt, Omar Suleiman, that the President
Of Egypt Hosni Mubarak has relinquished the office of the Presidency.

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