

The crisis in Egypt and Tunisia

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Obviously there is much to report about the current situation in Egypt and I'm opening this thread in order to have a space where any of our readers can post good links or think how the materialworld community might weigh in (please use comments below).

Just in terms of a few good links: Minister for Antiquities, Zahi Hawass has a personal blog in which he reports the attempted looting of the Egyptian Museum in Cairo. Full story [here](#).

In other news, an interesting debate has been sparked about the role of social media in both Egypt and Tunisia where facebook and twitter were used as a way to rally crowds of protestors before being shut down by the Government. The idea of a "[twitter revolution](#)" has been slammed by many [commentators](#), influenced by Evgeny Morosov's book [The Net Delusion](#).

Anyone read the book and want to comment?