

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

**On the Occasion of the Ministerial Visit of the
Republic of Uganda to the Arab Republic of Egypt
Cairo – 3 to 5 December, 2024**

Following the delivery of a special message from H.E. AbdelFattah El-Sisi, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt to H.E. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda, by H.E. Dr. Badr Abdelatty, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Emigration and Egyptian Expatriates of the Arab Republic of Egypt on 31 October, 2024 in Entebbe-Uganda, it was decided that the two countries undertake Ministerial Level consultations on various issues of bilateral and multilateral interest.

At the invitation of H.E. Dr. Badr Abdelatty, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Emigration and Egyptian Expatriates of the Arab Republic of Egypt and H.E. Prof. Hani Sewilam, Minister of Water Resources and Irrigation of the Arab Republic of Egypt; H.E. Sam Cheptoris, Minister of Water and Environment of the Republic of Uganda and H.E. Oryem Henry Okello, Minister of State for International Affairs of the Republic of Uganda led a High-Level Delegation to visit the Arab Republic of Egypt, from 3 to 5 December 2024.

The two Parties discussed the progress of bilateral relations and reviewed developments at the regional, continental, and international levels, with a view to promoting the mutual interests of their peoples, as well as common African interests. In this regard, they discussed the current situation in Eastern Africa, including the Horn of Africa and the Red Sea, and exchanged views on the situation, and ways to restore peace and stability in the region. They reiterated the adherence to the principles of sovereignty and territorial integrity and independence, in line with the constitutive act of the African Union and the Charter of the United Nations.

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In order to enhance the historical and eternal bond that binds Egypt and Uganda, the two parties agreed on the following:

- 1- Enhancing regular consultations and exchange of visits at various levels between the relevant Ministries in both countries.
- 2- Bolstering bilateral cooperation in the fields of defense, security, law enforcement, peace-building and counter-terrorism, including sharing experience, technical cooperation in the management of water resources in general and building capacities, in collaboration with, inter alia, the Egyptian Agency for Partnership for Development, the Cairo International Center for Conflict Resolution, Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding, and the Egyptian Institute for Diplomatic Studies and Ugandan Diplomatic and National Defense Colleges .
- 3- Cooperating in relevant regional, continental and international fora, including the Common Market for East and Southern Africa, the African Union, and the United Nations.
- 4- Strengthening their cooperation to promote regional economic development and integration and the achievement of Agenda 2063 and Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development.
- 5- Enhancing cooperation programs and projects in the fields of infrastructure, irrigation, agriculture, livestock, petrochemicals, mining, construction, pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, and water management. In this regard, the Egyptian side reaffirmed its readiness to direct more investments and contribute to the implementation of infrastructure projects in Uganda, as well as regional development corridors.

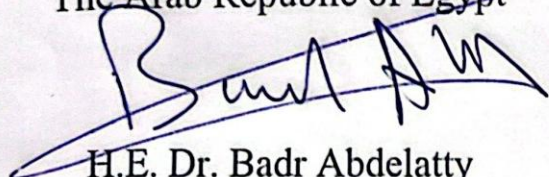
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- 6- Encouraging the Egyptian and the Ugandan private sectors to increase bilateral trade and investment through undertaking exchange business visits and investment pitching.
- 7- Consulting regularly on Nile Water to reach an agreement for the mutual benefit and cooperation in the Nile Basin in accordance with international law and best practices.
- 8- Building on the successful example of the Owen Falls Dam, and Aquatic Weeds Control Project, among others, Egypt pledged to support development projects in Uganda, in accordance with Uganda's national priorities.
- 9- Convene the second round of consultations between the two countries in Kampala during the first quarter of 2025 and the 3rd Session of the Egypt Uganda Joint Ministerial Commission.

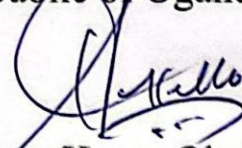
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For the Government of
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