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**Subject:** Re: Fact Checking in Cairo  
**Date:** Wed, 14 Sep 2022 17:19:45 -0400

Hi (b)(6),

It was great speaking with you all yesterday.

Here are the links we had discussed:

- [Fatabyyano](#): The Jordanian fact-checking outlet
- [ARIJ](#): Arab Reporters for Investigative Journalism and their [annual conference](#)
- [MediaWise](#): Poynter's media literacy program

Looking forward to continuing our discussions and hopefully getting some programming started in Egypt and the region more broadly.

Best,  
Alanna

On Thu, Sep 1, 2022 at 2:05 AM (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

No problem!

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Tuesday the 13th at 9 a.m. is fine with me, as long as we are able to keep it to an hour (which I'm sure we can). (b)(6)

Best,

Alanna

On Wed, Aug 31, 2022 at 2:02 AM (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Ah, you're right, apologies. I'll be out of town the latter half of next week, so would 9 am EST on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> work?

Thanks!

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**From:** Alanna Dvorak (b)(6)@poynter.org>  
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I just realized that is a US federal holiday, so reflectively, probably not great for anyone. Maybe Tuesday?

On Tue, Aug 30, 2022 at 11:30 AM Alanna Dvorak (b)(6)@poynter.org> wrote:

Good on my end!

On Tue, Aug 30, 2022 at 3:36 AM (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Thanks, Alanna! I've also been traveling, sorry for delayed response. How about Monday September 5<sup>th</sup> at 9 am EST? Would that work for everyone for a quick call?

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**From:** Alanna Dvorak (b)(6)@poynter.org>  
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Hello!

Sorry for the delay in response; I was traveling in India for work (and then pleasure) and my email got backed up.

I would love to connect with you; North Africa is an area that doesn't have a ton of fact-checkers. We've done some training in Libya and Tunisia and would love to continue to expand.

My Calendly provides my availability. Hopefully there is a time that overlaps, given the time difference.

Looking forward to meeting with you.

Best,

Alanna

On Sun, Aug 14, 2022 at 9:23 AM (b)(6)@state.gov wrote:

Alaana,

Greetings from Cairo! I work for the Embassy here, focusing on Chinese activities in the Middle East.

As part of my work, I'm partnering with our Public Affairs Section to look at opportunities to counter Russian and Chinese disinformation in the Egyptian media. We have recently been talking about the potential to fund a grant to teach fact-checking to several news outlets here. Journalists have requested this type of training, and how they can learn about tools and online functions to help them fact-check their work.

My colleagues in Washington mentioned that you recently helped with a proposal to do similar work in Tunisia. I was wondering if you might be interested in talking with us about this for Egypt, or if your organization would not be able to work on this type of proposal for Egypt, if you have ideas of others who might be available.

Thank you so much for your time,

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(Please note Cairo's workweek is Sunday-Thursday)

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