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**Class War Egypt Gets
Hot:
Port Said Insurrection Takes A
Major Step Forward:
“Troops Fired In The Air In The
Direction Of The Police” After
“Troops Began Getting Hit By Live
Fire”**

“Crowds Have Been Shouting: ‘The People And The Army Are One Hand!,’ Urging The Military To Take Their Side”
Police Headquarters Burns



Port Said Anti-Government Forces Aid A Wounded Soldier



Port Said security headquarters burned down.

The security headquarters in the Egyptian city of Port Said has been set alight in a second day of clashes between police and protesters.

The fire started on the ground floor of the building as protesters gathered in the streets nearby.

Earlier, thousands of people joined a funeral procession for three civilians killed in overnight clashes, which also left three policemen dead.

For several weeks, thousands of people in Port Said have been conducting a general protest demanding justice over the latest deaths and a thorough investigation of last year's events.

Protests, often leading to clashes, have been taking place there since January, when 21 local football fans were sentenced to death over football riots which left 74 people dead in February 2012.

Violence also broke out in the capital Cairo on Monday as protesters blocked a key thoroughfare and set alight at least one police car.

Fighting began in Port Said early on Sunday when word spread that 39 defendants still facing trial over the riots were being moved to outside the city.

At least five people have been killed in clashes. According to latest figures from Egypt's health ministry, at least 600 people suffered injuries during unrest on Sunday.

Thousands of protesters clashed with police, hurling rocks and firebombs; while riot police fired back with birdshot and tear gas.

Egypt's army moved in to stop clashes between protesters and police.

The army - which has stayed on the sidelines during other recent violence - moved in at one point to separate the two sides, but its troops began getting hit by live fire and becoming overwhelmed by police tear gas, Associated Press reports.

Three soldiers, including the Colonel-in-chief of the army unit deployed to Port Said were injured.

The agency said protesters cheered when troops fired in the air in the direction of the police, and have been shouting: "The people and the army are one hand!", urging the military to take their side.

The crowd reportedly attacked the police station at the Suez Canal city with Molotov cocktails and stones.

Most of those injured suffered teargas inhalation while over 30 people were wounded with birdshot and shrapnel, Ahram online cites Helmy El-Hanafy, a health ministry undersecretary in Port Said.

The violence petered out overnight but flared again after the protesters' funerals.

Angry mourners shouted anti-government slogans during the procession.

The interior ministry said that two policemen died from gunshots to the head and neck and a third died of his wounds later on Monday.

Dozens of people have been injured by live shots, emergency officials in Port Said said.

**More Than 500,000 Portuguese
Come Out In The Streets
Against The Government:
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Hundreds Of Thousands More In
Other Towns And Cities”
“We Need To Remain In The Streets
For The Government To Fall”
They Sing *The Grandola Vila Morena*,
Anthem Of The 1974 Revolution That
Brought Down A Previous Portuguese
Government**

2 March 2013

Hundreds of thousands of people have taken part in protests across Portugal against government austerity measures.

Huge crowds gathered in the capital Lisbon to demand the government resign.

Many carried placards condemning the "Troika" of the IMF, the European Commission and the European Central Bank, which demanded budget cuts in return for a financial bailout.

The conservative government has introduced steep tax rises as it tries to reduce a huge budget deficit.



Part of the crowd protesting the government's austerity measures in downtown Lisbon on Saturday. Agence France-Presse/Getty Images

Unemployment is at a record 17.6% and the economy is expected to contract by 2% this year - the third straight year of recession.

The demonstrations organised on social media also have the backing of Portugal's main trade union federation.

On Saturday, organisers said as many as 500,000 protested in Lisbon, and hundreds of thousands more in other towns and cities.

The rallies coincide with a visit by inspectors from the EU and the IMF, which demanded austerity measures as a condition for a 78bn-euro (£64bn) bailout in 2011.

Protesters carried banners with slogans such as "Austerity Kills" and "Screw the Troika".

They also sang the revolutionary anthem "Grandola, Vila Morena" associated with the 1974 "Carnation Revolution" that brought down a previous Portuguese government.

[See below.]

[On 25 April 1974, at 12:20AM the song was broadcast on the Portuguese radio station Rádio Renascença as a signal to start the revolution that overthrew the authoritarian government of Marcello Caetano. T]

"This government has left the people on bread and water, selling off state assets for peanuts to pay back debts that were contracted by corrupt politicians to benefit bankers,"

film director Fabio Carvalho, who was among the protesters in Lisbon, was quoted as saying by Reuters.

"If not today, things have to change tomorrow and we need to remain in the streets for the government to fall."

The demonstrators are demanding a complete change of course from the government, but it says further spending cuts are necessary to revive the economy.

This year's budget was Portugal's toughest in living memory, imposing tax rises that for many workers amount to a month's wages.

MORE:

Never Mind The 1974 Revolution: Now Comes *Grândola, Vila Morena* 2013

At the first link, workers marching against the government while singing the revolutionary anthem February 16.

At the second link, a crowd in the Portuguese parliament February 15 drowns out and stops the Prime Ministers speech singing *Grandola Vila Morena*.

It is probable the government politicians have no clue how close they are to the edge of the chasm that could swallow them up. Not as close as we may wish, but far closer than they comprehend. Marcello Caetano didn't get it either when it began happening to him.

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<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JrDxwXgKkHc>

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