

**Libya Domestic Media Monitoring Report
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State Media

11 July 2011

Source: JANA news agency

Security and military leadership announced that a fighting legion is to be formed in Al-Jufrah sha'biya region (see map), claiming that all the sons of the region were willing to be martyred for the leader and the Great Jamahiriya.



8 July 2011

Source: Al-Jamahiriya

In a televised speech, Qadhafi called on Libyans to attack the “agents and traitors” who cooperate with NATO and terrorize Benghazi. He also threatened that thousands of Libyans could carry out suicide attacks on “homes, offices, children and women”.

7 July 2011

Source: Al-Libiyah TV

Broadcast of the interrogation of a captured rebel “traitor”. The man is alleged to be a Libyan doctor. He showed no signs of having been subjected to violence during the interrogation, but he became nervous when asked about his foreign connections

Source: Al-Shams

The state newspaper announced that Qadhafi expected to be victorious before the end of Ramadan, at the end of August.

Opposition/Non-State Media

11 July 2011

Source: Libya TV

The station aired a report stating that Egyptian courts had ruled in favour of taking 16 Libyan state channels off the air. In the decision, the lawyers justified their decision, claiming that the channels were calling for violence against the rebels.

7 July 2011

Source: Libya TV

Broadcast of opposition forces who had captured foreign African mercenaries fighting with Qadhafi’s forces.

5 July 2011

Source: Voice of Free Libya Radio and Libya FM

The stations announced that the rebels had rejected an offer that was rumoured to have been made by Qadhafi in the Russian press to step down if the rebels will grant him security guarantees and allow his son to run in the elections.

Other Media

12 July 2011

Source: Al-Jazeera story on opposition website, <http://www.libyafeb17.com/>

The site carried an Al-Jazeera video showing public demonstrations among other images. The voiceover was an interview with a member of the Libyan resistance, "Free Generation Movement". He claimed that the situation in Tripoli was anything but clear support of Qadhafi, and that acts of civil disobedience were being carried out. The speaker feared that anyone caught involved in the peaceful activities would "risk being killed for such a thing...at the very least, imprisoned and tortured, that goes without saying." He continued by saying that public calls by the government had been made to catch and kill those engaging in peaceful demonstrations. He also claimed that inflation and unpaid salaries are important problems for the population.

12 July 2011

Source: Radio France Info (<http://www.english.rfi.fr>)

A story on the website reports that the Libyan prime minister, Baghdadi al-Mahmudi, is open to talks with the rebels and with France. The French Foreign Minister claimed that "there had been contacts but it had not turned into real negotiation". The rebel National Transitional Council insists that one of the conditions must have Qadhafi relinquishing power.