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In the Name of Allah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

Whoever contemplates deeply in the details of the accelerating changes on the international and regional arenas will notice the significant overlap in policy papers, which have caused a major overlap in the life of humanity, in light of a world that recognizes only force with its developed and growing mechanisms in the paths of domination. A world that does not accept anything but global leadership, and does not take the side of humanitarian principles or even truly believe in applying equality among all human beings without discrimination, or in the desire to spread the values of social justice among countries and peoples, which has resulted in the loss of rational thinking for social peace and an increase in threats to countries' national security.

The evidence that looms on the regional and international horizons show that the challenges are great and have their complexities, and that dealing with them requires an exceptional strategy, in light of the political, economic and social vagueness that badly influenced the international politics, which in turn have resulted in many disasters, leaving deep marks on the face of time and deep imprints on the lives of peoples. These challenges have cast their negative shadows on the Middle East region, and will undoubtedly lead to dire consequences and disasters, which have also produced radical changes in the Arab world, particularly Egypt, in what is known as the «new Middle East» within the framework of the theory of creative chaos. In addition to the active pursuit to divide the Arab world into small states that are easy to control, in light of the decline of traditional ideologies in managing international conflict.

currently, the dangers surrounding Egypt are increasing at an unprecedented rate, and the threats surrounding it are numerous. actions are rushing and interacting in the Middle East, and their pace is increasing in many Arab countries, especially in the neighbouring circle surrounding Egypt, represented by the immediate neighbouring countries and then the countries closest to it which increases the scale of the threats and the degree of risks, and ensuing consequences of the aggravated security and economic burdens.

For more than half a century, the Academy has a great status and popular and international respect, stemming from its long history and national role domestically, regionally and internationally in the field of consolidating the concepts of national security and national strategy in various fields and assisting decision-makers. this also includes sitting the broad outlines for establishing and building the necessary force within the framework of the national strategy that preserves and undertakes the protection of the state and the political system against dangers. This is linked to a proactive thinking capable of identifying challenges and threats, in light of the delicate transitional phase that the global system is going through.

In the same context, the Academy continues to publish the third issuance of the National Security and Strategy as a semi-annual Periodical. It deals with all topics of national security in all its fields and sets the necessary strategies for confrontation. A selected and chosen group of academics, military and civilian thinkers at the highest levels reviews and evaluates everything that is written in the Periodical, as it follows all the standards and controls of global academic publishing within the framework of mixing knowledge and sciences with facts and reality, analyses problems and phenomena, proposes real applicable solutions, and presents creative suggestions and ideas that have positive effects on the movement of human development.

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Almighty Allah is the Guide and the Helper.

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