Not Anymore in Politics: Theorising the Young Egyptian Muslim Brothers' Political Disengagement in the aftermath of the 2013 Military Coup

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This article relies on the life story narratives of 48 young members of the Egyptian Muslim Brothers in identifying the different reasons behind their political disengagement in the aftermath of the 2013 military coup. Unlike the social Movement Theory scholarly writings addressing Islamists' political disengagement within a limited scope of analysis that focuses on members leaving their groups rather than politics, this study presents a multi-layered approach that examines the interplay between youth's personal experiences, the repressive macro political conditions, and the organizational decay in shaping young Muslim Brothers' positions towards political activism.

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