

## Mubarak Resigns, Turns Over Power to Military

In a rapid reversal of statements made only yesterday by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak his hand picked vice president Omar Suleiman only moments ago appearing on Egyptian television announced that Mubarak had resigned and turned over power to the Egyptian military.

The reaction from protesters across Egypt in the streets for the 18th consecutive day was one of jubilation, chanting, "Egypt is Free!" It appears by every measure a successful revolution. The Associated Press quotes opposition leader Mohamed ElBaradei as saying, "This is the greatest day of my life. The country has been liberated after decades of repression", and expects a "beautiful" transition of power.

Egypt's Supreme Military Council is expected to make a formal statement soon. In the U.S., President Barack Obama is expected to speak on events in Egypt at 1:30 PM Eastern Time.

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