

Case File: The Nile Street Murder

Case Number: 2025-13-NC

Location: Apartment 4B, 22 Nile Street, Zamalek, Cairo, Egypt

Date of Incident: September 17, 2025

Lead Investigator: Detective Youssef Abouelyousr

Crime Scene Report

Victim: Omar Khalil, 34, investigative journalist.

Cause of Death: Blunt force trauma. Time of death estimated between 10:00 pm - 12:00 am.

Crime Scene Observations:

- Living room in disarray, signs of struggle.
- Victim's laptop found on desk, still powered but locked.
- One wine glass on the table, no fingerprints.
- Neighbors heard loud voices, possibly a male and female arguing.

Victim Background

Occupation: Freelance journalist, specialized in corruption and smuggling investigations.

Recent Projects: Notes indicate work on a story involving antiquities trafficking and illegal arms deals.

Relationships:

- Ex-girlfriend: Layla Hassan (lawyer, strained breakup).
- Frequent contact: Dr. Salma Naguib, consulted on artifact smuggling.
- Antagonistic: Youssef Farouk (published exposé on his company).
- Dangerous contact: Colonel Mahmoud Aziz (Ret.), implicated in an unfinished draft article.

Main Suspects



Dr. Salma Naguib

Age: 41

Address: 15 Tahrir Square, Cairo

Occupation: Archaeology Professor

Statement: Claims she was at a faculty dinner the night of the murder. Two colleagues confirm attendance, but timeline is shaky, she left early.

Evidence: Fingerprint found on Omar's bookshelf.

Motive: Fear of being implicated in artifact smuggling.



Youssef Farouk

Age: 29

Address: 88 Ramses Street, Downtown Cairo

Occupation: CEO, NileSoft Solutions

Statement: Claims he was at his company's HQ working late. Security logs show his entry, but no record of exit.

Evidence: A threatening email traced back to one of his company servers.

Motive: Omar's article damaged NileSoft's reputation, investors pulled out.



Layla Hassan

Age: 36

Address: 12 Gezira Street, Zamalek

Occupation: Lawyer

Statement: Admitted she argued with Omar about "unfinished business" but denied visiting him on the night of the murder.

Evidence: Eyewitness places a woman with her build and hairstyle outside Omar's apartment around 10:30 pm.

Motive: Jealousy, unresolved personal conflict.



Colonel Mahmoud Aziz (Ret.)

Age: 58

Address: 2 Pyramid Road, Giza

Occupation: Retired police officer, private security consultant

Statement: Claims he was at his café in Giza, drinking Turkish coffee as usual. The café owner supports this but admits the Colonel left around 9:00 pm.

Evidence: His fingerprint found on a glass in Omar's kitchen.

Motive: Omar's unpublished article accused him of arms smuggling.

Collected Evidence

- Laptop: password protected. Believed to hold critical notes.
- Half-burned note



Translation may hold key information.

- Threatening Letter - handwritten, slipped under Omar's door.

You don't know who you're dealing with. Stop now, or you'll end up like the others. - N

- Fingerprints - belonging to Salma (bookshelf) and Aziz (kitchen glass).

Witness Statements

- Neighbor (Mrs. Hana Mansour, Apt 4C):
Heard a heated argument around 10:45 pm. Couldn't make out words but recognized a woman's voice.
- Café Owner (Giza):
Colonel Aziz drank coffee at his café from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Left earlier than usual.
- University Colleague:
Confirmed Dr. Salma attended faculty dinner from 8:00–10:00 pm, but didn't see her after that.