

Appendix 1

Ten Studies applying interviews to study terrorism (in the order discussed in the manuscript)

Authors	Interviewees	Key conclusions
Stern 2003	Christian, Jewish and Muslim extremists, violent anti-abortion warriors and admirers of Timothy McVeigh	Grievances give rise to holy war
Juergensmeyer 2003	Islamic terrorists, Zionists, Christian anti-abortionists, Sikhs, Hindus, the cult of Aum Shinrikyo	Religion motivates terror
Atran 2010	Interviews with individuals affiliated with violent groups around the world	Terrorists are social beings
Post, Sprinzak, Denny 2003	Semi-structured interviews with 35 imprisoned terrorists in the Middle East	The social environment is key
Ferguson, Burgess, and Hollywood 2008	Face-to-face interviews with paramilitaries or former paramilitaries in Northern Ireland	Community support for violence is crucial
Todd et al. 2006	128 in-depth with an open-ended format in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland	Identity change is possible and more likely related to conflict than reconciliation
Gunning 2008	100 interviews with Hamas members, political opponents, and local activists, engagement with research subjects as 'critical' methodology	Hamas's decision-making encourages rationalism
Drevon 2015	Semi-structured interviews, participation in group meetings and informal discussions with members of Egyptian al-Gama'a al-Islamiyya and Islamic Jihad	Change from violent to nonviolent participation occurred based on internal reassessment of political opportunities in Egyptian political opening
Ashour 2007	More than 100 interviews from personal encounters, the media, recordings, and official statements with leaders and members of the Egyptian Islamic group, lawyers who defended Islamist suspects, security and former security officials, and specialists on Egyptian Islamist movements	Pragmatism has a final say in the behavior of the Islamic group, De-radicalization happens related to repression, social interaction, selective inducements, and leadership
Ibrahim 1988	Interviews resembling seminars with hot-tempered exchanges with imprisoned leaders of violent Egyptian groups the Military academy and the Repentance and Holy Fight	Islamic militancy is an alternative given the lack of a credible secular vision, socioeconomic prospects of the middle class, the imagination of the educated youth

Appendix 2, Interviewees

a. Study I

Name	Group	Position in Group	Occupation at time of interview	University Degree	Place of Entry into Group
A	Muslim Brotherhood	Follower	PhD Student	MA	Cairo
S	Muslim Brotherhood	Follower	PhD Student	MA	Cairo
W	Muslim Brotherhood	Follower	Engineer	MA	Cairo
`Abdelmonem Mahmoud	Muslim Brotherhood	Follower	Journalist	BA	Alexandria
Saif al-Islam	Muslim Brotherhood	Son of founder of Muslim Brotherhood	Retired MB Leader	PhD	Affiliation since birth
Sa`ad Katatni	Muslim Brotherhood	Leader	Speaker of Muslim Brothers' Parliamentary Block	PhD	Southern Egypt
Mahmoud `Ezzat	Muslim Brotherhood	Leader	Secretary-General of Muslim Brotherhood	MD	Cairo
K	al-Jihad	Leader	Journalist and Writer	PhD	Cairo
B	al-Jihad	Leader	Journalist	BA	Cairo
Nageh Ibrahim	al-Jama'a al-Islamiyya	Founder of al-Jama'a al-Islamiyya	Dermatologist	MD, license in law and Islamic studies	Assyut
N	al-Jama'a al-Islamiyya	Follower	Veterinary	MD	?
T	al-Jama'a al-Islamiyya	Follower	Chemist	PhD	Southern Egypt
Muntasser al-Zayyat	al-Jama'a al-Islamiyya	Former Leader	Lawyer	JD	Southern Egypt
Y	al-Jama'a al-Islamiyya	Former Leader	Writer	BA	Southern Egypt
I	Preached in al-Jama'a al-Islamiyya mosque	Says he was never part of JA	?	Law Degree	-
H	Rote Zelle	Follower	Self-Employed	MA	Münster
Rainer Langhans	Kommune 1, Socialist German Student Union	Founder of K1	Author	Studied law	Berlin
Bernd Rabehl	Kommune 1, Socialist German Student Union	Among first Members of K1	Author	Professor	Berlin
Ulrich Enzensberger	Kommune 1	First Members of Kommune	Author	University degree	Berlin

Tilman Fichter	Socialist German Student Union	Leader	Political Scientist	MA	Berlin
Jürgen Holtfreter	Independent	-	Self-Employed	Apprentice -ship	-
Karl-Heinz Dellwo	Red Army Faction	Member of 2 nd generation	Author, Filmmaker	Apprentice -ship	Hamburg
L	Red Army Faction	Member of 2 nd generation	Community Worker	?	Karlsruhe
E	Red Army Faction	Member of 1 st generation	-	University degree	Berlin
O	Red Army Faction	Member of 2 nd generation	Employee	-	Karlsruhe
R	Bewegung 2. Juni	member	Self-Employed	Apprentice -ship	Berlin
G	Bewegung 2. Juni	member	Self-employed	Apprentice -ship	Berlin

b. Study II

Gender	Age group	Occupation	Place	Behavior	Number
male	30-50	engineer	Rabat	protest	1
male	30-50	employee	Rabat	protest	2
male	>50	politician	Rabat	protest	3
male	>50	journalist	Rabat	protest	4
male	30-50	Muslim leader	Casablanca	protest	5
male	20-30	journalist	Casablanca	protest	6
male	30-50	academic	Rabat	protest	7
male	30-50	journalist	Rabat	protest	8
male	20-30	student	Marrakech	protest	9
female	20-30	psychologist	Rabat	protest	10
male	<20	student	Rabat	protest	11
male	30-50	employee	Rabat	protest	12
male	30-50	employee	Rabat	protest	13
male	30-50	journalist	Casablanca	protest	14
male	20-30	student	Casablanca	protest	15
male	20-30	banker	Rabat	protest	16
female	>50	housewife	Alexandria	protest	17
male	>50	retired	Alexandria	protest	18
female	30-50	teacher	Cairo	protest	19
female	30-50	academic	Cairo	protest	20
male	30-50	banker	Cairo	protest	21
male	30-50	merchant	Cairo	protest	22
male	20-30	employee	Cairo	protest	23
female	30-50	employee	Cairo	protest	24
male	20-30	employee	Cairo	protest	25
male	30-50	merchant	Alexandria	protest	26
male	30-50	employee	Cairo	protest	27
male	30-50	employee	Alexandria	protest	28
female	30-50	journalist	Cairo	protest	29
male	20-30	employee	Cairo	protest	30
female	20-30	student	Cairo	protest	31
male	20-30	student	Marrakech	non-protest	1
male	30-50	donkey rider	Marrakech	non-protest	2
female	20-30	employee	Marrakech	non-protest	3
female	<20	employee	Marrakech	non-protest	4
male	30-50	merchant	Marrakech	non-protest	5
male	30-50	merchant	Rabat	non-protest	6
male	30-50	merchant	Rabat	non-protest	7
female	30-50	pharmacist	Salé	non-protest	8
male	20-30	employee	Rabat	non-protest	9
male	30-50	librarian	Rabat	non-protest	10

female	20-30	employee	Rabat	non-protest	11
female	30-50	employee	Rabat	non-protest	12
male	30-50	employee	Rabat	non-protest	13
male	20-30	employee	Rabat	non-protest	14
male	30-50	employee	Rabat	non-protest	15
female	20-30	lawyer	Rabat	non-protest	16
female	30-50	teacher	Salé	non-protest	17
female	30-50	employee	Rabat	non-protest	18
male	20-30	merchant	Marrakech	non-protest	19
female	30-50	cleaner	Marrakech	non-protest	20
female	<20	employee	Marrakech	non-protest	21
male	>50	security guard	Marrakech	non-protest	22
male	20-30	student	Rabat	non-protest	23
male	20-30	banker	Rabat	non-protest	24
female	30-50	merchant	Rabat	non-protest	25
male	20-30	employee	Rabat	non-protest	26
female	20-30	accountant	Rabat	non-protest	27
female	30-50	employee	Rabat	non-protest	28
male	20-30	employee	Rabat	non-protest	29
male	>50	merchant	Rabat	non-protest	30
male	20-30	manager	Rabat	non-protest	31
male	30-50	employee	Marrakech	non-protest	32
female	20-30	employee	Marrakech	non-protest	33
male	>50	employee	Rabat	non-protest	34
female	>50	employee	Rabat	non-protest	35
male	30-50	journalist	Rabat	non-protest	36
male	30-50	businessman	Cairo	non-protest	37
male	20-30	employee	Cairo	non-protest	38
male	30-50	banker	Cairo	non-protest	39
male	<20	employee	Cairo	non-protest	40
male	30-50	employee	Cairo	non-protest	41
male	30-50	employee	Cairo	non-protest	42
male	>50	employee	Cairo	non-protest	43
male	20-30	employee	Cairo	non-protest	44
male	20-30	employee	Cairo	non-protest	45
male	30-50	employee	Cairo	non-protest	46
male	30-50	banker	Cairo	non-protest	47
male	>50	retired	Alexandria	non-protest	48
female	>50	housewife	Alexandria	non-protest	49
female	30-50	teacher	Cairo	non-protest	50
female	30-50	academic	Cairo	non-protest	51
male	30-50	employee	Cairo	non-protest	52
female	30-50	employee	Cairo	non-protest	53
male	30-50	policeman	Cairo	non-protest	54
male	30-50	unemployed	Cairo	non-protest	55

female	>50	employee	Cairo	non-protest	56
female	>50	cleaner	Cairo	non-protest	57
male	30-50	academic	Cairo	non-protest	58
male	30-50	pharmacist	Cairo	non-protest	59
male	>50	employee	Cairo	non-protest	60
male	20-30	employee	Cairo	non-protest	61
male	20-30	employee	Cairo	non-protest	62

c. Study III

Index	Sex	Age	Place	Job
1	M	23	Bethlehem	Employee in wood factory
2	M	40	Bethlehem	Manager of hair salon
3	M	27	Bethlehem	Employee in launderette
4	F	25	Bethlehem	Employee in bank
5	F	28	Bethlehem	Employee in bank
6	F	64	Jerusalem	Director of NGO
7	F	32	Hebron	Teacher
8	F	41	Bethlehem	Librarian
9	F	33	Jerusalem	Employee in NGO
10	M	29	Bethlehem	Teacher
11	F	39	Jerusalem	Director of cultural institute
12	M	30	Jerusalem	Owner of bookshop
13	M	50	Bethlehem	Professor
14	M	70	Bethlehem	Director of NGO
15	M	44	Jerusalem	Start-up founder
16	M	35	Bethlehem	Employee at church
17	F	28	Ramallah	Employee at UN
18	F	28	Hebron	PhD student
19	M	23	Bethlehem	Shop owner
20	F	25	Bethlehem	Employee in hotel
21	M	70	Bethlehem	Hotel owner
22	M	22	Bethlehem	Employee in tourist shop

23	F	55	Bethlehem	Employee in tourist shop
24	F	25	Bethlehem	Secretary at university
25	M	63	Ramallah	Director of NGO
26	M	36	Ramallah	PhD student
27	M	41	Ramallah	Post-doctoral student
28	F	25	Bethlehem	Employee in copy shop
29	M	25	Bethlehem	Employee in copy shop
30	F	25	Ramallah	PhD student
31	M	54	Bethlehem	Priest
32	M	32	Bethlehem	Accountant

Appendix 3, Coding schemes

a. Study I

Theme	Domain	Categories within domain	Quotes from interviews
STATE ENVIRONMENT	Home State Environment	Continuous Aggression by Home State	There was a circle of violence conducted by the state
		Aggression by Home State	Sadat arrested the brother of Khalid Islambouli
		Domination by Home State	There was no real party, only Sadat's party
		Strained Living Conditions	There was social poverty
		Unreligious State	My country wasn't Islamic
		Aggression by Previous State	Hitler waged the Second World War
		Domination by Previous State	People had lived under the terrible Nazis
		Change of Home State	Sadat changed everything
		Ignorance of Fellow Citizens	The people are interested in the African cup, not politics
		Support by Home State	The state agency gave me an apprenticeship as a librarian
		Religious Government	The government is Muslim
		Education of the People	The people become educated
		Absence of Oppression by Home State	Sadat had given us freedom
	Absence of Aggression by Home State	The police stood in front of the building for days and didn't do anything	
	Absence of State Structures	If there were no state structures	
	System of States	Aggression by Foreign State	General Taylor said they were going to bomb Vietnam back into the Stone Age
Imperialism		The US conducts imperialism	
Disunity of Muslims		The ummah is suffering from disunity	
Absence of Domination by Foreign State		We have to thank the Americans and the British for freedom of speech	
STATE PERCEPTIONS	Value of state structures	Superiority of state structure	The state law must be accepted even if it is unjust
		Indispensability of state structure	We need a structure organizing life
		Acceptance of state structure	I respect the law
		Acceptance of state aggression	Prison and torture are an exam given by God
		Acceptance of state representative	State representatives have a human dignity
		Absence of acceptance of state aggression	We denied the state the right to use violence against the people
		Absence of acceptance of state	I thought it was unbearable to never say anything political
	Duty for action against state	I must act if I see that the government does something wrong	
	State power	Strength of state	The government is strong
		Absence of strength of state	The state had difficulties to find employees for top positions
Strength of foreign state		There were the secret services of the US and the Russians	

	Power of state resistance	Weakness of foreign state	The US had lost the war in Vietnam
		Importance of the people	We, the people, are all one
		Victory of international resistance against state system	The resistance was successful in Iran and the Sudan
		Weakness of international resistance against state system	The Ummah is deteriorating
		Flexible structure of resistance	Resistance groups had a very rigid structure
		Strength of local resistance	Societal movements were spreading
		Weakness of local resistance	We [resistance group] failed to occupy the building
GOALS	Political goals	Absolute priority of political goal	Political change was more important to me than anything else
		Absence of priority of political goal	We didn't question power structures. We were satisfied with changing the mentality of the generation.
		Political goal	I wanted to change the government.
	Private goals	Absolute priority of private goal	Self-fulfillment has absolute priority in my life
		Private goal	I had the wish of an easy life with wealth
MEANS	Availability	Possibility for violence	I thought of violence for the first time
		Absence of peaceful means	There is no justice by peaceful means
		Alternative to violence	I had an alternative to violence
		Possibility for nonviolent resistance	It is possible to not participate in politics and not use violence. Many Egyptians do that.
	Value	Necessity for violence	The question of not using violence did not pose itself
		Absence of necessity for violence	Violence is not a duty, even if you see something bad
		Insufficiency of peaceful means	We wanted more than da'awa [invitation to Islam]
		Enjoyment of violence	I liked shooting
		Dislike of violence	I hated violence
		Absence of approval for violence by family	My mom told me to never do anything like this
		Absence of approval for violence by the people	The people would never support us if we used violence
		Support for nonviolent activity from the people	The activities of the Muslim Brotherhood are very popular
		Support for nonviolent activity from foreign state	The US supported us in 2005 [when the Muslim Brotherhood gained numerous seats in the elections]
		Support for violence from the people	We thought the people agreed [to using violence]
	Application	Existence of international resistance against system of states	We saw ourselves in the international context of freedom movements
		Existence of violent resistance against home state	Some people who went to prison turned against the government with force
		Existence of violent resistance against foreign state	The Red Army Faction attacked the US headquarters
		Existence of nonviolent resistance against home state	The MB have hopes in politics and they are totally against violence.

		Existence of nonviolent resistance against foreign state	There were bread strikes and demonstrations against Israel.
		Nonviolent activity against foreign state	I demonstrated against the US
		Nonviolent activity supporting state	We were producing a newspaper for Daimler
CONSEQUENCES OF MEANS	Consequences of violence	Acceptance of negative consequences of violence	I was ready to die for this
		Possibility of reaching goals by violence	I thought at the time that the army could bring the change [talking about the assassination of President Sadat]
		Avoidance of negative consequences of violence	We had to go abroad [talking about the RAF siege of the German embassy in Sweden]
		Absence of acceptance of negative consequences of violence	A bad government is better than a war killing thousands
		Negative consequences of victories of international resistance	People were dominated in Cuba, where Batista created an authoritarian state
		Impossibility of reaching goals by violence	There is no way that violence can change the state
		Absence of success of violence against foreign state	There was no success of violence in Algeria and the Sudan
		Negative consequences of violence	Violence kills people
	Consequences of peaceful means	Possibility of reaching goals by peaceful means	Elections are the only way to improve society
		Success of peaceful activity against state	This protected us, Newell [political activist] was not tortured
		Absence of success of peaceful activity against state	I had no success to get justice at court
PRIVATE LIFE	Personality	Self-conviction	I had very strong beliefs
		Psychological problems	I suffered from psychological problems
		Weakness of will	I was very lazy
		Interest in politics	I became interested in politics
		Absence of interest in politics	I had no interest in politics
	Experiences	Education	My mom taught me values
		Absence of education	There was no kindergarden, nobody cared about us
		Leisure	I started reading
		Success	I became a doctor
		Absence of success	I didn't finish my studies
		Distance from others	I started to distance myself from my family
		Joining the army	I joined the military
	Refusal to join the army	I refused to join the army	
	Religious beliefs	Obedience to God	There are religious duties
God's might		God determines the outcome	

b. Study II

Type	Factor	Quote
state behavior	crime by state actor	The government is very corrupt.
	violence by state actor	Three armored cars of riot police, tons of hired thugs, and officers came down to terrorize us.
	crime by prior state	By the time the people showed up at the urns, the elections had already been decided.
	violence by prior state	Hassan II killed the entire opposition.
	pass power to family member	Mubarak wanted his son to be President.
	violence by family member	Gamal [Mubarak] was very violent.
	isolation of prior head of state	The previous president had the problem that nobody supported him.
	crime by army	The army took over power against the wishes of many.
	protection by army	The army came to protect the wishes of the people.
	lack of effort by head of state	The King makes no effort for the people.
effort by head of state	The King does everything for us.	
external conditions	poor living conditions	There is poverty and hunger. I know that 30 million are dreaming of food.
	violence abroad	Look at the violence in Iraq.
	lack of safety	It is very unsafe.
	safety	We can move freely on the streets without fear from attacks.
	ignorance	We did not even know the name of our own Foreign Minister.
	unemployment	There is unemployment.
	being employed	I have a job.
	job availability	If you need work, you can go and look for it. There is no unemployment.
	improved living conditions	People in the villages have better salaries now.
	good living conditions	Everyone here lives well.
	deterioration of living conditions	The economy is getting worse.
	deterioration of politics	The political situation is getting worse and worse.
	improvement of political situation	It is getting better. There is a political system again.
	freedom	The boundaries of freedom are wide here.
	diversity	We are an amalgam of different ethnicities.
	absence of free press	Investigative journalism is dead.
	free press	There is equality between opposition newspapers and governmental newspapers.
	lack of unity of the people	The country is divided now.
	unity of the people	Everyone is participating.
	history	Our system is 400 years old.
	international environment	Suddenly, there was a new international order.
	absence of monarchical system	We are not a monarchy.
	absence of system	There is no system. Look at this street! [points at roadworkers digging up the street]
	lack of alternative	There was no alternative.
	possibility for protest	I thought about protesting for the first time.
	conspiracy	In Egypt, they showed a pretty woman in front of the Nile. On al-Jazeera, they showed the protests.
	uncertainty	But one does not know what will happen next.
human nature	This is human nature.	

events	experience by friend	I have a friend who was there. She told me. [talk about Rabaa massacre]
	protest	There were protests every day.
	revolution in Tunisia	It worked in Tunisia. The regime fell.
	change of head of state	Mohammad V followed his father.
	election	We had many elections.
	resistance from army	The army resisted the President.
actions, protestors, people, self	self-sacrifice	Four Egyptians have set themselves on fire to protest.
	absence prior protest experience	I had never protested in my entire life.
	protection of protestors	The people protect the protestors.
	effort for self	I make a big effort for myself all the time.
	lack of success in private life	I cannot manage to find a husband.
	effort by the people	The people work very hard.
	obedience by the people	The people do what they are told to do.
	lack of effort by the people	Unfortunately, most people make very little effort.
	violence by protestors	I was harassed by the protestors.
	crime by people	The people are bad. There was a woman who accused a housekeeper of something he had not done. She talked to a friend in the police, and arranged for the housekeeper to be arrested.
	prior protest experience	I had often participated in protests with them.
	interaction with protestors	I have access to the Movement of 20 th February.
emotions	courage	I am not afraid of not returning
	national pride	I am a proud Egyptian.
	hope	We will be liberated from oppression
	solidarity	For the protection of the protestors we will resist any attack.
	curiosity	We were very curious to see what was happening.
	dissatisfaction	I am not happy with my life.
	satisfaction	I am happy with my life.
	moral outrage	I cannot bear this feeling of insult.
	hopelessness	We lost our hope.
	fear	I am afraid.
	modesty	I am overrated, I do not deserve to be in this position.
	surprise	I was very surprised, I could not believe it.
needs	need to unite for protest	The people must unite against the regime.
	need for courage	Let us overcome the barrier of fear.
	need for solidarity	We need solidarity with the protestors.
	absence of need for protest	I have no reason to join.
	need for change in people	You need to change the people, not the politicians.
	need for change of state	It is time to take power from this dictator.
	need for strength of protestors	We needed force.
capabilities, protestors, people, self	strength of protestors	Many people joined them from the desert. 25,000 protested from all categories of society.
	absence of strength of protestors	They [protestors] were always suppressed.
	success by protestors	The protestors were successful.
	absence of protest result	They [the government] ignored us completely. None of our demands was met. We did not achieve anything.
	strength of the people	The thugs are afraid of entering their [the people] middle.
	lack of support for protestors	The people do not support the protests.
	skills of protestors	The protestors are very knowledgeable.
lack of skills of protestors	Fevrier 20 are amateurs, but it is not their fault. They have no experience.	

	lack of skills of the people	Our people have no skills.
	support for protestors	The protests spread very quickly.
	self-support	I made a big effort to educate myself.
capabilities state	old age of head of state	Mubarak was very old.
	superiority of army	The army is the best thing in Egypt.
	strength of army	Our army is very strong.
	strength of prior head of state	Sadat won the war.
	absence of skills of prior head of state	He was very unprofessional. He should have made changes earlier.
	skills of head of state	He knows what he is doing.
	strength of head of state	The King is very strong.
	strength of state	Morocco is a very strong dictatorship.
	strength of nation	Egypt is very strong.
personality, state	bad personality head of state	He is not a good person.
	bad personality ruling family	Gamal [Mubarak] has a very bad personality: He drank alcohol and had a famous singer kidnapped.
	bad personality prior head of state	Hassan II was a very bad person.
	good personality head of state	He is modest, he is a king of the people.
	lack of personality prior head of state	He had absolutely no personality.
personality, protestors, people, self	interest in politics	For the first time in my life I became interested in politics.
	bad personality of the people	You have to beat the people. Beatings and intimidation are the only means that work. If you tell someone to turn right on this street, he will not do it.
	absence of interest in politics	I am not interested in anything related to politics.
	good personality of self	It is my nature to stay away from trouble.
	good personality of the people	The people are good, they do not use violence.
	personality of self	It is against my personality.
non-state actors	friends	I have my friends.
	family	I have my family.
	media	We were watching them on Facebook.
religion	religious extremism	We have religious extremism.
	absence of religion	This is not Islam.
	god's might	God will protect us from injury.
	religion	We have our religion.
attitude, state	absence of approval of ruling family	We did not want Gamal [Mubarak] to become President.
	approval of prior head of state	Mubarak was good.
	absence of responsibility of crime head of state	The bribes were made by others, by ministers and family, not him.
	absence of approval of prior head of state	Mohamed V could not be like his father.
	approval of head of state	al-Sisi is great.
	absence of approval of head of state	We do not like him.
	absence of approval of prior head of state	Nobody liked him.
attitude, protestors	absence of approval of protestors	I do not agree with them.
	absence of importance of individual	My participation [in the protests] was not necessary.
	approval of protestors	May God support them.
preferences	absence of priority of self	I am not so important.
	priority of self	I focus only on what is important to me personally.
	priority of safety	There are more important things than protest: stability and safety.

Study III:

Typologies of grievance and resistance are presented in the main article and previous appendices. Coding for other factors is currently in progress.

Appendix 4, Study I

Categories unique to violent versus nonviolent individuals. Direct contrasts discussed in main article marked in bold.

Theme	Domain	Categories unique to violent individuals	Categories unique to nonviolent individuals
State Perceptions	Value of state structure	Absence of acceptance of state aggression	Acceptance of state aggression Superiority of state structures Indispensability of state structures Importance of the people
	State power	Absence of strength of state	Strength of foreign state Weakness of foreign state
	Power of state resistance	Victory of international resistance against state system Flexible structure of resistance	Weakness of international resistance against state system Weakness of local resistance
Goals	Private goals		Absolute priority of private goal
	Political goals	Absolute priority of political goal	Absence of absolute priority of political goal
Means	Availability of means	Alternative to violence	
	Value of means	Necessity for violence Support for violence from the people Enjoyment of violence	Absence of necessity for violence Absence of approval for violence by the people Support for nonviolent

		Dislike of violence Insufficiency of peaceful means	activism from foreign state
	Application of means	Existence of international resistance against state system	Nonviolent activity supporting state
Consequences of means	Consequences of violence	Acceptance of negative consequences of violence Possibility of reaching goals by violence Avoidance of negative consequences of violence	Absence of acceptance of negative consequences of violence Negative consequences of victories of international resistance
	Consequences of peaceful means		Possibility of reaching goals by peaceful means Success of nonviolent activism against home state
State Environment	Home state environment		Support by home state Absence of aggression by home state Education of the people Religious government Aggression by previous state
	System of states		Disunity of Muslims Absence of oppression by foreign states

Private life	Personality		Personal problems
	Private experiences	Absence of education Distance from others	Absence of interest in politics Joining the army Refusal to join the army
	Religious beliefs		God's might

Appendix 5, Study II

a. Quotes from which contrasting categories were identified

TYPES	CONTRASTING CATEGORIES UNIQUE TO PARTICIPANTS	QUOTES
STATE BEHAVIOR	lack of effort by rulers violence by rulers	Look at this pavement – they haven't repaired it for years The state police is attacking political opponents
ACTIONS BY PROTESTORS	self-sacrifice	Protestors are sacrificing themselves
PREFERENCE	absence of priority of self	I am willing to sacrifice myself
NEEDS	need to unite for protest	The people need to become one with the protestors
CAPABILITIES OF THE PEOPLE	strength of the people	We, the people, are very strong
CAPABILITIES STATE	old age of rulers	Our head of state is already at a very old age
PERSONALITY STATE ACTOR	bad personality head of state	Our president is not a good person
PERSONALITY SELF	interest in politics	I have always been interested in politics
RELIGION	gods might existence of religious extremism	God determines what happens on earth There are many extremist religious groups
EMOTIONS	courage solidarity modesty curiosity	I was not feeling any fear of dying I felt united with all the protestors We do not ask for everything, just for a few things I was very curious what was happening on Midan Tahrir

TYPES	CONTRASTING CATEGORIES UNIQUE TO NON-PARTICIPANTS	QUOTES
EMOTIONS	dissatisfaction	I am very dissatisfied with my life
STATE BEHAVIOR	protection by rulers	The King protects us
ACTIONS BY PROTESTORS	violence crime	The protestors are very violent against the state The protestors were hired from abroad. They are corrupt.
NEEDS	absence of need for protest	There is no need to protest

CAPABILITIES OF THE PEOPLE	absence of strength of the people	The people have no skills
CAPABILITIES STATE	superiority of army strength army skills head of state	The army is the strongest weapon Egypt has ever had Our army is very strong Our head of state has many skills
PERSONALITY STATE ACTOR	good personality head of state	The King is a good person
PERSONALITY SELF	absence of interest in politics	I don't care about politics
PREFERENCE	priority of self	I have to protect myself first

b. Contrasting categories unique to participants versus non-participants in Arab Spring

TYPES	CONTRASTING CATEGORIES UNIQUE TO PARTICIPANTS	CONTRASTING CATEGORIES UNIQUE TO NON-PARTICIPANTS
EMOTIONS	courage solidarity modesty curiosity	dissatisfaction
STATE BEHAVIOR	lack of effort by rulers violence by rulers	protection by rulers
ACTIONS BY PROTESTORS	self-sacrifice	violence crime
NEEDS	need to unite for protest	absence of need for protest
CAPABILITIES OF THE PEOPLE	strength of the people	absence of strength of the people
CAPABILITIES STATE	old age of rulers	superiority of army strength army skills head of state
PERSONALITY STATE ACTOR	bad personality head of state	good personality head of state
PERSONALITY SELF	interest in politics	absence of interest in politics
PREFERENCE	absence of priority of self	priority of self
RELIGION	gods might existence of religious extremism	

Appendix 6, Study III

Typology of resistance including quotes

Resistance	Quote
Raising awareness (international actors, other Palestinians, self)	I love my country, and I am educating my children, so that they love their country, too. I am raising them in a way so that they will support and serve their country. This is my private effort.
Staying in Palestine instead of emigrating	I am not participating in political activism. The idea is to support the Palestinians by continuing to live here.
Protecting daily conduct of life (avoiding arrest and confrontation)	I resist in peaceful ways... Two days ago, a group of us wanted to go to the checkpoint and I resisted this idea. I stayed at work. If they confront the occupier in this way, they will be taken away. This is very dangerous for us. It is better to be conscious of our situation and protect our families.
Coping with psychological consequences of grievances (physical exercise, such as yoga, gym, running)	The best way for me to release all the stress I see is to stand on the treadmill.

Data Transparency

Study III has not been published so far. The interviews conducted for Study I were part of a previous publication involving a quantitative analysis, specifically KS tests, Monte Carlo sampling, and a computational analysis. This article focuses on the qualitative analysis of ethnographic interviews instead, specifically Spradley's ethnographic analysis focusing on themes, domains, taxonomies, and contrasts. The interviews conducted for Study II are part of a forthcoming publication applying a quantitative analysis, specifically two-proportion z-tests, and a computational analysis identifying minimum sets of categories related to protest decisions. This article instead focuses on the qualitative interview analysis, namely, Corbin's and Strauss' grounded theory (axial and open coding). This article is also the first to integrate all three studies.