

Help's On The Way In Egypt

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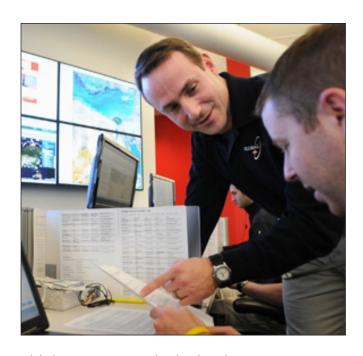
As the U.S. Embassy in Cairo urged Americans to get out of Egypt amid its ongoing chaotic and violent political upheaval, Boston-based Global Rescue has teams of ex-military security officers and paramedics coordinating a latter-day exodus, shepherding hundreds of U.S. corporate clients out of the country.

Global Rescue CEO Daniel Richards said over the next three days his company has orders to safely remove 200 to 300 people from the unstable cities and return them home.

"We deploy our personnel to the area, we collect them at a rally point and we organize transportation from the rally point to a safe location combining air, sea and land assets to affect the evacuation and extraction," Richards said. "Our personnel on the ground are led by former special ops personnel who are very familiar with operating in difficult and potentially dangerous environments."

He said Global Rescue has safely taken Americans out of the former Soviet republic of Georgia and Lebanon during recent fighting. He said the situation in Egypt has not yet reached that level of danger, and some of their clients have asked to remain. In Cairo yesterday, fighter jets from the nation's military buzzed throngs of protesters, as calls for the president to step down continued yesterday in the sixth day of unrest in Egypt.

Nobel Peace laureate Mohamed ElBaradei, who was briefly



Global Rescue CEO Daniel Richards in the Operations Center

jailed, shouted for President Hosni Mubarak's resignation through a bullhorn in Tahrir Square. Meanwhile, leaders of the Muslim Brotherhood — who recently escaped from jail cells — took up posts in the square, where they met with supporters.

Gangs of armed men attacked at least four jails across Egypt before dawn Sunday, freeing hundreds of criminals and Muslim militants. The official death toll stood at 97, with thousands injured