

Good and Bad Coups

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A Coup Isn't Always the Enemy of Democracy" (*New English Review*, September 2013) hits the nail squarely on the head in driving home an obvious point to any student of politics and history who is not a jaded academic or media "pundit." The only truism that is more accurate is "There is No Such Thing as The World Community" (or a free lunch). Let me expound on the mirage of the so called "international community" and the mythical "red line" nobody drew (except Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu discussing Iran) related to the current civil war in Syria.