

# Anonymous leaks emails hacked from Tunisia's leaders

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A mask-wearing man in a video posted online said the publication had been prompted by recent events in Tunisia, notably the violent dispersal of a rally for unemployed people on Saturday in which several were injured.

"Government of Tunisia, we have kept secret a large part of your information," the masked man said.

"If you do not want to see this published, we call on you to avoid online [censorship](#), respect human rights and respect free expression."

Nejib Gharbi, a spokesman for the ruling moderate Islamist party Ennahda, told AFP that some of the published emails were genuine but most were fake.

Tunisia last year underwent a revolution in which autocratic president Zine El Abidine Ben Ali was overthrown.

Ennahda won the most seats in October elections for a constituent assembly.

It is the third time in recent weeks a group claiming to be Anonymous has hit Tunisia.

Several Facebook pages belonging to Islamist parties were hacked in mid-March and a few days later the ministry of justice's site was attacked.

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