



# Back . . . to death

A report documenting the crime of bombing the car of the citizen  
Kamel Hussein Al-Walidi in Al-Atiq area - Shada District - Saada  
Governorate 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020

# Entesaf Organization for Woman and Children Rights

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A human rights organization that seeks to protect women and children by advocating and defending their issues, raising community awareness, and rehabilitating them psychologically and morally

- **Raising societal awareness of women's and children's rights as guaranteed by Islamic Sharia and embodied in international conventions and covenants.**
- **Advocating the issues of women and children legally and socially, in a way that guarantees them a dignified family life, as they are the basic cell of society.**
- **Monitoring all violations and attacks against women and children in war and peace, whether they were done by individuals ,governmental, non-governmental groups or hostile countries announcing these violations and attacks to public opinion.**
- **Preparing and issuing human rights reports on cases of women and children violations.**
- **Providing psychological support for women and children who are exposed to violations in peace and war.**
- **Protecting women and children from all forms of violence directed against them from family or society, and protecting them from abuse during investigation.**
- **Reducing beggary and child labour.**
- **Enhancing women participation in society**

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# Introduction

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Yemen is suffering from a war caused by the Saudi and UAE coalition which is deliberately violated civilians and committed the most heinous crimes against women and children without respecting human values, during this aggression thousands were killed and wounded. Moreover, the Saudi coalition deliberately targeted neighborhoods, markets, schools, hospitals, mosques and vital facilities . Since 26 March 2015 Saudi Arabia coalition have continued to commit massacres against civilians ( women and children) such as the crime that was committed on the car of the citizen Kamel Hussein Al-Walidy in Al-Atiq area of Shada district in Saada governorate, which killed and wounded number of people without distinguishing between a clear civilian target and legitimate military targets, and it left memories will not be forgotten for years by victims' families and the people of Al-Atiq area .

## Executive summary

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The report "Back to death" documents the crime committed by the Saudi coalition warplane on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020 which killed civilians including women and children . We also talked about the Legal crime according to the international laws and charters.

## Methodology

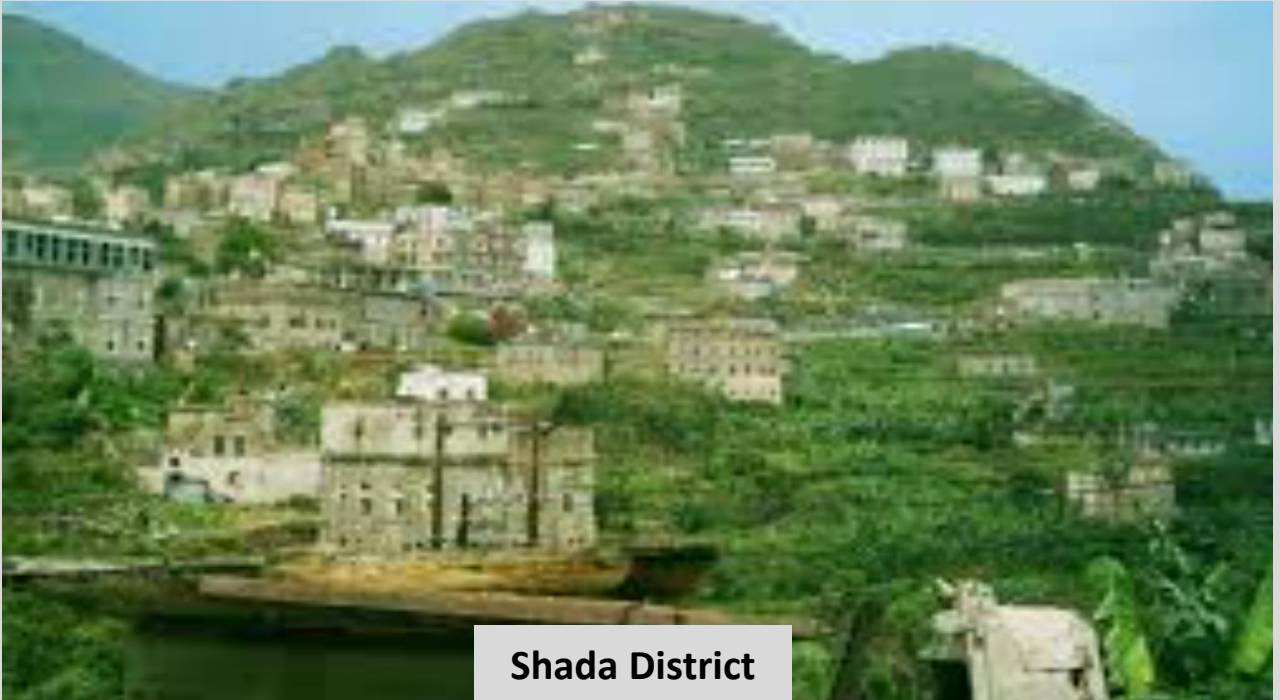
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This report is based on the organization's statistics regarding to the details of the crime and the number of victims. It also relied on interviews that were conducted by witnesses. In addition , the report is based on the international law texts, treaties and conventions in order to clarify the legal framework of the crime that was committed against women and children in Al-Atiq area.

## A brief overview of Shada District

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**Shada District: Is one of Saada Governorate districts . Its population is 62,915 according to the 2004 statistics .**



**Shada District**

## Details of the Saudi coalition massacre on Al-Atiq region

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**On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020 the Saudi coalition aggression committed a heinous crime against civilians, women and children, the Saudi warplane targeted, with an air raid, the car of the citizen Kamel Hussein Al-Walidi who was accompanied by a number of civilians in Al-Atiq area which killed and wounded number of people, also the air raid caused an enormous destruction in the area , and the residents of the area rushed to rescue the victims**

**The area has no armed manifestations, or military points, or weapons stores, or camps or front near it, even the targeted car is for a civilian who was not related to the war, which confirms that was a deliberate crime , in which civilians were not related to the war were targeted. Also ,they were not in a suspicious place , and there was not a military gathering near them, or a place to plan or provide any support to the military fronts.**

**The outcome of the targeting was :**

**13 civilians were killed , including 4 children and a woman**



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# Condemnations

Civil society organizations, including Entesaf Organization for Women and Children Rights, condemned the crime that was committed against the civilians who were on a car in Al-Atiq area of Shada District, Saada Governorate. They denounced the shameful international silence and the violation of the international humanitarian laws and the laws of war and other heavenly norms and laws which include rules and principles aimed to provide protection for children and women. Entesaf Organization held the Saudi coalition the responsibility for all crimes and violations against innocent civilians. It also called on the international community, UN organizations, and human rights to assume their legal and humanitarian responsibilities towards violations and heinous massacres that occur against Yemeni people, and called on all honorable people in the world to take an effective and positive actions to stop the Saudi coalition aggression and protect civilians especially, women and children.

In addition, Entesaf organization called on the United Nations and the UN Security Council to do their duty and assume their responsibilities towards these crimes and to stop them. It also demanded to stop the siege, and to form an independent international committee to investigate in all crimes that were committed against Yemeni people and punishes all those who were involved in these crimes.



## Eyewitness testimonies

We have heard the testimonies of some people who were present when the air strike happened. All of those people held the Saudi coalition warplane the responsibility for this crime.

The first witness, whose name is (S-J-A), said: "It was noon when I was walking back to my house. I heard the flight of the Saudi coalition warplane, then suddenly I heard an air raid. Because I am living near the main road in Al-Atiq area, I was close to the attack, so I have seen a lot of smoke and body parts and pieces of broken iron flying in the air. In that moment I realize that the air raid targeted Kamel Hussein al-Walidy car, who was usually taking people with him to the market and brought them back at this time. Those were innocent people from our region who they were not related to the military."

The second witness, whose name is (H-A-A), said: "I was next to my house waiting for Kamel Al-Walidy's car, because my uncle Ali Hadi Al-Jasery and my nephew were with him in the car. Suddenly I heard the attack ,and I saw pieces of broken iron and body parts flying. I went to the targeted place , and I could not recognize the features of my uncle and nephew."The third witness, whose name is (J - M - A), said: "The aircraft of the Saudi coalition aggression struck the car of my relative Kamel Hussein al-Walidy, who used to go to the market every two days to take shoppers to the market and charge them a fee as a way of living to support his family. The head of this family was killed and they lost the one who support them."

## Description of the violation according to International Humanitarian Law

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Targeting civilians and their properties by the Saudi coalition warplanes is consider a deliberate crime because the houses and the civilians' properties are far from the military areas and the battle fronts .Furthermore, most of those who were in the houses and those properties were women and children . So, this represent a clear and explicit violation of the laws of war and the International Humanitarian Law, which states that warring parties must distinguish between military and civilian objectives ,and refrain from attacks that are expected to cause harm to civilians . This law protect all civilians without any discrimination, especially women and children for they represent the most vulnerable groups during armed conflicts. This crime is also considered one of the grave crimes against children because many children had been affected as a result of this targeting . Moreover , According to the Articles (47,27) of the Fourth Geneva Convention, Article (46) of the Regulations of the Fourth Hague Convention and the Additional Protocol (48) affirm that the conflict parties should all the time distinguish between civilian population and combatants ,also between civilian and military objects. "



## Victims' names

**Names of victims killed in the crime of targeting the car of Kamel Al-Walidy in Al-Atiq area of Shada district in Saada governorate on 15th June 2020**

N	Name	Kind	Age
1	Faisal Ahmed Ali Al Jasery	child	14
2	Yahya Ali Burt Al Sufi	child	12
3	Ghazi Yahya Thabet Al-Walidy	child	13
4	Abdullah Jaber Ali Al Bojani	child	14
5	Naseem Mohammad Jaber Al-Walidy	Female	25
6	Kamel Hussein Jaber Al-Walidy	Male	31
7	Ali Hadi Zarb Al-Jasery	Male	60
8	Ali Mohammad Mohammad Jaber Hamas	Male	55
9	Lahaq Ahmed Mansour Latify	Male	42
10	Ahmed Ali Salman Al Ameri	Male	35
11	Ahmed Abdullah Saleh Al Jasery	Male	24

# Recommendations

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- ❖ **The unjust aggression on Yemen should be stopped .**
- ❖ **We demand the international organizations and the United Nations to put pressure on the Saudi coalition to stop the crimes that are committed against civilians, especially women and children .**
- ❖ **We demand the United Nations to cancel its decision to delete the Saudi coalition from the list of killing and maiming children, as they continue to commit horrific massacres against women and children since the beginning of the aggression till these days.**
- ❖ **We demand all human rights, legal and media organizations to monitor and document all violations and crimes committed against civilians, especially women and children, and reveal these crimes to the public opinion to bring the perpetrators to justice.**
- ❖ **We demand to comprise an independent committee in this crime and all crimes and violations that have been occurred since 26 March 2015 the beginning of the aggression ,and bring the leadership of the Saudi coalition aggression and the perpetrators of these crimes and massacres to the trial.**



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