



Death bike ride

A human rights report documents the crime of bombing the citizen\ Abdulbari Yahya Fare's motorbike on the public road by the coalition of aggression's airstrike in Almandhar area- Al-Hali directorate-Hodeidah governorate-June 17, 2018.

Intisaf for woman and child rights

a human rights organization seeks to protect women and children by supporting and defending their issues, raising community awareness of them and rehabilitating them psychologically and morally.

- 1. Raise community awareness of the rights of women and children as guaranteed by Islamic law and contained in international conventions and charters.**
- 2. Support women and children's issues legally and socially in order to ensure a decent family life for them, as they are the basic cell of society.**
- 3. Monitor all violations and abuses against women and children in war and peace, whether by governmental individuals and bodies or non-governmental groups or hostile countries, and announce them to public opinion .**
- 4. Prepare and producing human rights reports on cases of women and children's violations.**
- 5. Protect women and children from ill-treatment in family and society, combating all forms of violence against them and protect them from abuse during the investigation .**
- 6. Provide the necessary psychological support to women and children who are exposed to violations in war and peace.**
- 7. Stop child begging and labor**
- 8. Improve women and enhance their participation in society.**

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Introduction

Yemen is suffering from a war of aggression by the coalition of aggression [1], where it deliberately violated the rights of civilians and committed the most heinous crimes against women and children without any consideration to humanitarian and moral values. During which thousands were killed or wounded, and deliberately targeted civilian neighborhoods, schools, hospitals, mosques and vital facilities. Since the beginning of the aggression on March 26, 2015, the aggressive coalition continued committing massacres against civilians of women and children, which is obviously indicated in the crime committed against the civilians in Almandhar area in Al-Hali directorate Hodeidah governorate. The aggressive coalition caused a number of victims were killed or injured, without distinguishing between a clear civilian target and legitimate military objectives. The raids left tragedies that the people of Almandhar area, especially the families of the victims, have not forgotten for years.

[1]the aggressive coalition led by Saudi Arabia and the UAE.

Executive summary

This report (Death bike rid) documents the crime committed in Almandhar area- Al-Hali directorate by the coalition of aggression airstrike which led to the loss of many innocent lives. We talked during this report about the details of the crime and witness' statements. We also talked about the legal framework of the crime according to international laws and charters.

Methodology

This report relies on the organization's statistics regarding the details of the crime and the number of victims, as well as on interviews conducted with witnesses. International legal texts, treaties and conventions were referred to in order to clarify the legal framework of the crime committed against the civilians in Almandhar area.

A brief overview of Al-Hali area

Al-Hali Directorate: it is one of the directorates of Hodeidah governorate, with a population of 168,071 according to the 2004 census.



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Details of the massacre of the coalition on Abdulbari Fare's motorbike

The coalition of aggression committed a heinous crime against the civilians on Sunday, June 17, 2018 at 11:30 AM. The coalition's aircraft targeted the motorbike of Abdulbari Yahya Fare' and his children with an airstrike on a public road in Almandhar area, which caused a number of fatalities, both, dead and wounded. The airstrike also left behind a massive damage. The residents rushed to rescue and pull the injured from the rubble. There are no armed aspects, military spots, weapons stores, cantonment or even one of the flaming fronts around the area, which confirms that this is a complete and obvious crime. The innocent civilians who are not related to the war were targeted in this crime. They were also not in a suspicious location, a military gathering near them, or a place to plan and provide any support to the military fronts.

The targeting toll of victims is as follows:

Killed: 4 civilians including 3 children

Wounded: a child

Domestic condemnation

Civil society organizations, including Entesaf for woman and child rights, condemned the crime committed against Abdulbari Yahya Fare' family in Almandhar area- Al-Hali directorate in Hodeidah. It also condemned the shameful international silence and violation of international and humanitarian laws and charters, the laws of war and other heavenly customs and canons and throwing them aside, which include rules and principles aimed to mainly provide protection to children and women.

The organization also blamed the coalition of aggression for all crimes and violations against innocent civilians, and called on the international community, UN organizations and human rights and humanitarian bodies to assume their legal and humanitarian responsibilities towards the violations and heinous massacres that occur against the safe civilians of the Yemeni people. It also called on all the free and honorable people of the world to take effective and positive actions to stop the aggression and protect civilians of women and children. In addition to, the organization called on the United Nations and the UN Security Council to do their duty and assume their responsibilities regarding these crimes and work to stop them, lift the siege and form an independent international commission to investigate all crimes committed against the Yemeni people and discipline all those who prove their involvement in these crimes.

Witnesses' statements

The testimonies of some of those who were present at the scene of the airstrike were heard, and all of their testimonies held the so-called coalition responsible for this crime and that it was the planes of the aggressive coalition that carried out this crime. The child Rawan Abdulbari Yahya Fare' said;" on Sunday morning, we were awakened by the sound of airstrikes launched by the coalition's warplanes targeting the agricultural authority. Our house is located nearby in Almandhar area. Fearing for our safety, my father decided to move us to our relative's house in the city. We all rode the motorbike Hanan, Adel, Ahmed and I, while mom and Riham stayed behind. He hoped to return for them after we settled in with our relative. While we were ridding in the public road in Al-khamsin street, the warplanes were densely circling overhead and one of them launched an airstrike against us. I didn't feel anything till I found myself tossed away on the air by the airstrike. I was hit on the ground and seriously wounded. I lost conscious for 15 minutes.

When I woke up, I saw my father, brothers and my sister became remains. their heads were severed from their bodies and thrown about five meters away by the airstrike. The crime is horrific. I found my self faced with a terrible choice: either to crawl on my stomach until I could find someone to rescue and treat me, or stay where I was, risking my life as I bled from my wounds. I decided to crawl until I was found by a volunteer who provide me first aid and moved me to the hospital for treatment. I am now in good health and recovering.

One of the victims' relatives, (Z.Y.F) – 42 years old- said:" we the people of coastal city of Hodeidah, were shocked by the military escalation by the coalition of aggression and its hostile military actions against Almandhar area and other parts of the city, as well as some areas and districts populated by civilians. This escalation coincided with a religious holiday that is considered sacred, the holy holiday of Eid AL-fatr. The coalition of aggression disregarded this occasion and continued its savage aggression against the civilians in Hodeidah, turning their Eid joy into mourning, sorrow and indescribable tragedies. Furthermore, many families were displaced, including the entire family of my brother Abdulbari Yahya Fare', consisting seven members, who were forced to flee their home in Almandhar area. On Sunday, June 17, 2018, their residential area was subjected to several airstrikes, specially targeting the agricultural authority building. This incident caused a widespread panic and fear among most families, forcing them to flee their homes in search of safety and stability. Including my brother Abdulbari, he attempted to evacuated four of his children on a motorcycle hoping to find a refuge at a relative's house within the city of Hodeidah. the warplanes launched an airstrike on them as they were riding their motorbike on the main road of Al-khamsin street. The attack brutally killed my brother Abdulbari and three of his children, leaving their bodies torn to shred and scattered across the public road. Due to the intense aerial bombardment and the continues hovering of the coalition's warplanes over the area, no one could reach the scene to gather the remains. Despite suffering multiple injuries all over her body, little Rawan Abdulbari was able to crawl a long distance. Thankfully, she was found and rescued by a passerby who took her to the hospital.

Description of the violation according to international humanitarian law

The targeting of a motorcycle carrying civilians by the coalition of aggression's warplanes represents a definite and complete war crime. Whereas the targeted motorbike is far from military camps and areas or battle fronts and located in a civilian area. This represents a clear and explicit violation of international humanitarian and war laws, which stipulate that war parties must at all times distinguish between military and civilian targets and refrain from launching attacks that are expected to cause harm to civilians.

This law also contains all civilians with protection without any discrimination, especially women and children, as they represent the most vulnerable groups during armed conflicts. The principle of Distinction in IHL states that any direct attack on civilians or any civilian object is not only a violation of IHL, but also a serious violation and constitutes war crimes, and IHL prohibits any weapon that is unable to distinguish between civilians / civilian objects and combatants / military objects.

Articles (74, 72) of the Fourth Geneva Convention, Article (64) of the regulation of the fourth Hague Convention and Article (84) of Additional Protocol 1 also affirm that "the parties of the conflict shall endeavor to distinguish between the civilian population and combatants, and between civilian and military objects."

Victims' names

Names of the victims killed in the crime of targeting the citizen\ Abdulbari Yahya Fare's motorbike in Almandhar area Hodeidah governorate, June 17, 2018.

	Name	Gender	Age
1	Abdulbari Yahya Fare'	male	35
2	Hanan Abdulbari Yahya Fare'	child	12
3	Adel Abdulbari Yahya Fare'	child	9
4	Ahmed Abdulbari Yahya Fare'	child	3

Names of the victims wounded in the crime of targeting the citizen\ Abdulbari Yahya Fare's motorbike in Almandhar area Hodeidah governorate, June 17, 2018.

	Name	Gender	Age
1	Rawan Abdulbari Yahya Fare'	child	15

Recommendation

- 1- Work to stop the unjust aggression on Yemen on land and human.**
- 2- We demand international organization, headed by the united nations, to pressurize the countries of the coalition of aggression to stop crimes committed against civilians, especially women and children.**
- 3- We demand the United Nations to cancel its decision to remove the aggression coalition from the list of killing and maiming children, as they continue committing terrible massacres against women and children since the beginning of aggression till this day.**
- 4- We call on all human rights, legal and media organizations and bodies to monitor and document all violations and crimes committed against civilians, especially women and children, and expose them to international public opinion in preparation for bringing the perpetrators to justice.**
- 5- We demand to format an independent fact-finding committee to investigate this crime and all the crimes and violations that have occurred since the beginning of the aggression on March 26, 2015 and submit the leadership of the coalition of aggression and the perpetrators of crimes and massacres to courts.**



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