



Screams and Remains

A human rights report documenting the crime of targeting the farm of citizen Mohammed Ahmed by the coalition aircraft in Sha'b Al-Dakhil area- Khadir District- Taiz Governorate in July 8, 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 for 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 Sha'b Al-Dakhil area, Khadir district, Taiz governorate. The coalition of aggression's aircraft targeted a farm that belongs to a citizen and caused a number of victims were killed or injured, without distinguishing between a clear civilian target and legitimate military objectives. The airstrikes left tragedies that the people of Sha'b Al-Dakhil area, especially the families of the victims, will never forget for years.

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

Executive summary

The report (Screams and Remains) documents the crime committed against civilians by the aggressive coalition aircrafts on July 8, 2018 in Sha'b Al-Dakhil area, Taiz governorate, which left behind a number of children. We talked during this report about the details of the crime. We also talked about the legal framework of the crime according to international laws and charters.

Methodology

This report is based on the organization's statistics regarding the details of the crime and the number of victims. International legal texts, treaties and conventions were referred to in order to clarify the legal framework of the crime committed against the civilians in Sha'b Al-Dakhil area.

A brief overview of Khadir district

Khadir District: it is one of the districts in Taiz governorates, with a population of 112653 and covers an area of 460 square kilometers according to the 2004 census.



Khadir district

Details of the massacre of the aggressive coalition on the farm of citizen Mohammed

On July 8, 2018, the aggression coalition committed a horrific crime against civilians, including women and children. Coalition aircraft launched two airstrikes targeting a local farm owned by citizen Mohammed Ahmed in Sha'b Al-Dakhil area of Khadir District, resulting in a number of civilian casualties, among them women and children. The toll of the attack was as follows:

Killed: 6 civilians including 4 children

Wounded: 4 civilians including 3 children



One of the mothers screaming upon seeing the bodies of the child victims





Domestic condemnation

Civil society organizations, including Entesaf for woman and child rights, condemned the crime of targeting the farm of citizen Mohammed Ahmed in Sha'b Al-Dakhil area, Khadir District, Taiz Governorate. It also denounced the shameful international silence and violation of international and humanitarian laws and charters, the laws of war and other heavenly customs and canons that are being cast 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.

Furthermore, 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.

Description of the violation according to international humanitarian law

The targeting of civilian farms and populated areas by the coalition of aggression's aircraft constitutes a definite and complete war crime. Whereas the targeted farm in Sha'b Al-Dakhil area of Khadir District belonged to a local citizen, and was occupied by several civilians, including children, all of whom were either killed or injured. 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 (47, 27) of the Fourth Geneva Convention, Article (46) of the regulation of the fourth Hague Convention and Article (48) 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 killed victims in the crime of targeting the farm of citizen Mohammed Ahmed in Khadir district, Taiz governorate, July 8, 2018.

	Name	Gender	Age
1	Amjad Taha Yahya Abdullah	Child	17
2	Raad Fath Abdo Mohammed	Child	11
3	Yousif Mohammed Ali Saeed	Child	10
4	Shihab Qayed Naji	Male	23
5	Taha Mohammed Saif	Child	18

Names of the wounded victims in the crime of targeting the farm of citizen Mohammed Ahmed in Khadir district, Taiz governorate, July 8, 2018.

	Name	Gender	Age
1	Abdo Hamoud Naji Saeed	Child	17
2	Mohammed Abdo Mohammed	Male	20
3	Unknown	Child	16

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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