

The Tyranny of Aggression

A human rights report documenting the bombing by the Coalition Aggression aircraft on Asayah Area, Majz District, Saada Governorate, on September 19, 2015.

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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], which deliberately violated the rights of civilians and committed the most heinous crimes against women and children without any consideration for humanitarian and moral values. Throughout this conflict, thousands were killed or wounded. The coalition of aggression has persisted in committing massacres against civilians, including women and children, who have been preferred targets since the early days of the aggression in an attempt to kill the largest number of Yemenis. This is confirmed by the heinous crimes perpetrated by the coalition throughout the past period, where civilians have frequently been treated as legitimate targets for its aircraft. This is clearly evident in the crime committed against civilians in Asayah area- Majz District of Saada city, where a coalition aircraft targeted them, resulting in a number of civilian casualties, both killed and injured, without distinguishing between a clear civilian target and legitimate military objectives. The airstrikes left tragedies that will haunt families for years to come.

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

Executive summary

This report, titled (**The Tyranny of Aggression**) documents the crime committed by the aggression coalition aircraft against civilians in Asayah area. This crime resulted in several civilian casualties, both killed and injured. The report addresses the details of the crime, as well as the legal framework of the crime in accordance with international laws and conventions.

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 relied upon to establish the legal framework of the crime committed against civilians in Asayah area.

Majz District: It is one of the districts in Saada governorate, with a population of 68,598 according to the 2004 census and it is located in the far north of Saada.



Details of the massacre of the aggressive coalition on Asayah area

It was a horrific scene; houses were turned into piles of rubble covering the bodies of children and women. Residents and rescuers struggled to pull the victims from under the debris, only managing to recover them after a long and grueling effort—by which time their bodies had become lifeless corpses. These were the bodies of children whose lives and innocent dreams were cut short by the coalition's "sentence of death." All of this occurred in full view of the United Nations, which continues to turn a blind eye to the crimes committed against the women and children of Yemen, effectively giving the coalition a green light to continue killing Yemenis in the most gruesome ways. The targeted location is a civilian area; it witnessed no ground fighting at the time of the raids, and there are no military sites in its vicinity.

The toll of victims is as follows:

Killed: More than 10 civilians including 6 children

Injured: A child



Condemnation

Civil society organizations, including Entesaf Organization for Women and Child rights, condemned the crime committed civilians Asayah area- Majz District of Saada Governorate. They also denounced the shameful international silence and violation of international and humanitarian laws and charters, the laws of war and other divine laws and conventions that are being cast aside, which include rules and principles aimed primarily at providing 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 peaceful 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, particularly 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 prosecute all those who prove their involvement in these crimes.

Description of the violation according to international humanitarian law

The targeting of civilian homes and properties by aggression coalition aircraft represents a definite and complete war crime. Whereas the targeted houses are far from camps, military zones, or fighting fronts and located in a civilian area, with the majority of those present inside being children. 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 provides protection to all civilians 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 a war crime, 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 annexed to the Fourth Hague Convention and Article (48) of Additional Protocol 1 also affirm that "parties to 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 bombing civilian homes in Asayah area, Majz District, Saada Governorate, on September 19,2015.

	Name	Age	Gender
1	Baraah Mohammed Abdullah Murshed	3	Child
2	Tahani Mohammed Abdullah Murshed	2	Child
3	Lamh Abdullah Murshed	7	Child
4	Majed Sagheer Abdullah	8	Child
5	Manar Mohammed Abdullah Murshed	4	Child
6	Zaid Abdullah Murshed	8	Child
7	Mohammed Abdullah Murshed	29	Male
8	Hana Salim Obad	25	Female
9	Jumah Yahya Sahyan	50	Female

Names of the injured victims in the crime of bombing civilian homes in Asayah, Majz District, Saada Governorate, on September 19,2015.

	Name	Age	Gender
1	Sumood Mohammed Abdullah Murshed	7	Child

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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