

Central Media Office

﴿ وَعَدَاللَّهُ الَّذِينَ مَامَنُواْ مِنكُرُّ وَعَكِمُواْ الصَّدِيحَاتِ لِيَسْتَخْلِفَنَهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اَسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيْمَكِنَنَّ لَمُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِف الرَّفَعَىٰ لَمُمَّمَ وَلِيَّبَدِلْتَهُمْ مِنْ بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنَا يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ فِي شَيْئًا وَمَن كَفَرَ مَعْدَ ذَلِكَ فَأُولَئِهَكَ هُمُ ٱلْفَنسِفُونَ ﴾



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O Muslims ... Save the Children of Yemen!

(Translated)

On 21/11/2018, a report by Britain based organization Save the Children stated that around 85,000 children under the age of five may have died of acute malnutrition during the three years of war in Yemen. This number alone is equal to the total number of children under five in Birmingham, the second largest city in Britain.

This report excludes those who died over the age of five and those who were killed and bombarded and their slim bodies slashed into pieces or who have become like "ghosts" due to famine and epidemics! What if Britain, America, and the West collectively lost such a number of their children, what would the international position be on this loss of innocent children's lives?

But the children of Yemen are like orphans on the tables of villains, with no one to cry for them and no supporters, like a bowl that nations summon to snatch, in one of the worst images of the Anglo-American conflict in this region. What is worse and shameful is that those who descend to fight and slaughter, starve and displace the people of Yemen are those who share their blood, creed, language and Deen! They are the countries of the alliance of Operation Decisive Storm in support of the legitimacy of President Hadi on the one hand, and Iran that is supporting the Houthi militias on the other, all in a struggle for power and wealth. The war in Yemen is approaching the end of the fourth year of the heinous war under which the people there are paying the highest price.

Last month, the United Nations warned that 14 million Yemenis would reach the brink of famine, while Yemen has a sea of wealth making it the Pearl of the East. Yemen has a large reservoir of granite and marble reserves in the Middle East and has the second largest natural gas reserves in the Arab world to solve the crisis of famine, diseases, poverty and displacement. Minerals, gold, silver, oil, agriculture and fisheries are enough to make it content for centuries with no rivals. Undoubtedly, it also has a geographical location overlooking the Bab al-Mandab Strait, which controls the world trade between the East and the West. However, this lost wealth is what made the West "salivate" and turn it into a destructive and miserable Yemen; its people are led to death; every ten minutes a Yemeni child dies of starvation or disease.

We in the Women's Section of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir condemn all the rulers, the Arabs, Muslims and non-Arabs, every single one of them, of what is happening in Yemen and to its people, specifically the rulers of the Gulf states that surround Yemen from each side, who colluded in the destruction and killing and slaughter, like the rulers of Saudi Arabia and the UAE. We also condemn Iran and those

who participate in this conflict and fuel its fire locally, regionally and internationally. And we condemn all those who ignore the tragedy of Yemen and close the neighboring borders and prevent even the sons of its country from providing assistance, like the ruler of the Sultanate of Oman, who made his land a shrine to the Jewish entity and a venue for military and political agreements!! Neighbours must look after each other especially if they share the same Deen, creed and history. But the Gulf states reversed the equation and made the neighbour an enemy of his neighbour, a conspiring traitor or an evil plotter against him, while Iran ignites the fire of war with its weapons and support for the Houthis, with the same hateful sectarianism.

The Prophet (saw) said; هُا مِنَ بِكُمْ أَهْلُ الْيَمَنِ يَسُوقُونَ نِسَاءَهُمْ، وَيَحْمِلُونَ أَبْنَاءَهُمْ عَلَى عَوَاتِقِهِمْ، فَأَتِّهُمْ فَأَنَّ مِنْهُمْ» (إِذَا مَنَّ بِكُمْ أَهْلُ الْيَمَنِ يَسُوقُونَ نِسَاءَهُمْ، وَيَحْمِلُونَ أَبْنَاءَهُمْ عَلَى عَوَاتِقِهِمْ، فَإِنَّا مِنْهُمْ» (If the people of Yemen pass by you, with the company of their women and carrying their children on their shoulders, they are from me and I am from them." [Extracted by At-Tabarani, with Hasan Isnad]

The situation of Yemen and its people and the horror of what is happening in it is regrettable. They are being driven to death in front of us, we are grieved that as Muslims we abandoned the instructions of the Messenger of Allah (saw) which he mentioned in many Hadiths and praised and made duaa for them three times: «اللَّهُمُّ بَارِكُ لَنَا فِيْ شَامِنًا»

"O Allah bless our Sham and our Yemen." We forsook our state, which unites our ranks and connects our hearts.

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