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Directorate of Bora' - Governorate of Hodeida



# Republic of Yemen Legal Center for Rights and development



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#### Abstract:

The Saudi coalition has continued its military aggression and its suffocating siege on the Yemeni people for more than three years targeting and bombing the stores and popular markets in the various populated areas of Yemen in a deliberate manner and the structure of starvation and collective punishment on civilians as a means of war on Yemen. Proving this point, at 2:00 O'clock A.M., on Thursday, June 7, 2018, the Saudi military alliance launched four air raids targeted the popular market of Bora' which is located at the top of the reserve, which is part of the Directorate of Bora' mountain in the province of Hodeida resulted in massive destruction of (4) shops, including a store sales of domestic gas cylinders, the destruction of 12 civilian vehicles and the damage of another car belonging to residents of the area whose homes and residential areas surround the reserve...

#### **Incident Details**

In the context of the starvation and collective punishment practiced by the coalition of Saudi aggression against civilians in Yemen, two more warplanes, at 20:00 O'clock, before Thursday, June 7, dawn. on launched four air raids on the market of the popular market of Bora' which is located in the highest part of the natural



reserve in the province of Hodeida. The first and second raids targeted a parking lot at the entrance to the market and the last two targeted a food store and shops belonging to the citizen, Zaid Ahmed Hassan



Mohammed, resulting in massive destruction of the market and all the civilian objects inside it from food stores, shops and civilian vehicles. The Legal Center for Rights and Development conducted field research and documentation of the incident. The result of the air raids was the destruction of a food store, three shops, the destruction of 12 civilian vehicles, damage to another vehicle, damage to the public road and the deprivation of civilian areas close to the market of their right to shopping and to receive the necessary food and necessities for their subsistence. The fact that their areas are remote makes it difficult for them to go to distant markets in order to buy their food, clothing and medicine.

#### victims and witnesses' Testimonies:

Zaid Ahmed Hassan, 35 years old, an eyewitness and a survivor of the air raids launched by the military aircraft of the Saudi alliance on the market. He was present inside his shops and food store, interviewed and said:

"I had gone to the nearby town of Bagel to buy wheat and food to sell in my food store and shops in the market. After arriving and unloading, I sat selling those products to the civilians. During this time, we heard the sound of an aircraft. The first Saudi air strike I saw was it hit the park of our cars. Then we escaped at once. Then the warplanes bombed three other air raids, one of which targeted a food store, my shops and my car parked at the gates of the shops caused massive destruction and fires broke out large destroyed everything in the stores including my car, causing me heavy financial losses including my capital in trade; about ten million rivals. Also the raids burned and destroyed more than ten civilian cars. The area is remote and surrounded by villages and populated areas of civilians. I do not know where I will find work to meet the requirements of life for me and my family. There is nothing could justify these brutal





raids. The market is a popular market also the shops are commercial food. There are no camps or weapons depots."

Amin 'Abdo Ahmed Al-Bor'ei, 36, another eyewitness, who was injured by the air raids on the market, which led to the destruction of his only car, which was the source of income for his family consisting of 15 individuals, mostly children and women, he said: "We heard the warplane in the area of Bora', the only natural reserve on the Arabian Peninsula when I had stopped my car, the 2008 Hilux, in the parking lot at the bottom of the reserve market. On my way home, I suddenly heard the first air raid. The sound of the raid was violent, the area flared, when I saw the raid targeting the parking lot, I was worried about my car which is really the only source of income to support my family. I tried to go to inspect my car suddenly to hear the sound of the second raid and then continued raids targeting everything in the market. The outbreak of large fires destroyed everything which led some of the owners of shops and cars to suffer psychological breakdowns. The raid was barbaric and unjust in every sense of the word. The region and the target location is a civilian market; everyone knows that there is no military site or weapons depots."

#### Incident Results :

#### **Civil Facilities:**







### Description of the violation according to the international manitarian law:

Legal Center made field visit to the targeted position and found it a civil place has no military presence. It is known that targeting civilians is a crime that the international law set punishment for and is a breach for the principles and values that were established and agreed by the civilized societies. The continuing of targeting and killing children, women and civilians by the Saudi-led coalition and its allies is a crime of many that still committing before the international society who is still dam and deaf to these crimes. This will stand as a stone in front of the collaboration of the international society and its aims of preserving and protecting the rights and freedoms that will be an international precedent of aggression against the states and societies.

#### Center Recommendations:

- Legal Center for Rights and Development calls on all civil society organizations and international organizations, especially United Nations organizations, to shoulder their moral and humanitarian responsibilities towards the crimes committed by the Saudi regime and its coalition against humanity and humanity.
- Calls on United Nations and Security Council to preserve its remaining reputation and to stop the war and the bloodshed of Yemenis and reduce the crimes commission against Yemen I children and women.
- And calls for dispatching international commissions of inquiry as soon as possible to investigate on this crime and the other ones and to bring perpetrators in these crimes to international justice.



#### Annex (1.)

#### Names and data of the destroyed and damaged civil facilities **Bombing of Bora' Reserve Market Directorate of Bora' - Governorate of Hodeida**

On June 7, 2018

No.	Name of the facility owner	Facility Type	Destruction Level
1	Bora' Reserve Market	Market	Complete Destruction
2	Zaid Ahmed Hassan Mohammed	Shop	Complete Destruction
3	Zaid Ahmed Hassan Mohammed	Food store	Complete Destruction
4	Zaid Ahmed Hassan Mohammed	Gas cylinders store	Complete Destruction
5	Zaid Ahmed Hassan Mohammed	Car	Complete Destruction
6	Amin 'Abdo Ahmed Al-Bor'ei	Car	Complete Destruction
7	Mohammed Ali Al-Mabaura	Car	Complete Destruction
8	Mohammed Ali Hassan	Car	Complete Destruction
9	Mohammed Sagher Al-Faqeeh	Car	Complete Destruction
10	Abdullhakeem Mohammed Al-Ahdal	Car	Complete Destruction
11	Abdullah Hassan Al-Nashfa	Car	Complete Destruction
12	Noori Mohammed Abdo Al-Ahdal	Car	Complete Destruction
13	Yaser Ali Al-Ahdal	Car	Complete Destruction
14	Ata Hassan	Car	Complete Destruction
15	Abdo Ali Al-Merkhas	Car	Complete Destruction
16	Mohammed Al-Maqser	Shop	Complete Destruction







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