

# New confrontations in Al-Hasaba threatened as tensions rise

By: Ashraf Al-Murqab

SANA'A, April 4 — Armed groups affiliated to Sadeq Al-Ahmar, the tribal leader of the Hashid confederation, one of the largest Yemeni tribes, have re-centered in some barracks and behind sandbags again in Al-Hasaba and other positions close Al-Ahmar's house that they had evacuated in November.

The move came after the Republican Guards launched renewed attacks against the areas of Wadi Shara'a and Bani Jarmooz of Arhab, in the north of Sana'a. Republican Guard used tanks and artillery, whilst warplanes are being flown over the areas. The sources said that the latest attacks in Arhab left six people wounded.

The return of the tensions threaten the renewal of clashes between opposition tribal forces and forces loyal to the former president Ali Abdullah Saleh commanded by his son, Ahmed, and his nephews, Yahya and Tariq.

The clashes which broke out late last May and continued until November resulted in the deaths of about 1,500 people, including civilians, fighters of Al-Ahmar and the military and security forces. The Al-Hasaba conflict has also led to the displacement of thousands of families and the destruction of numerous houses and commercial buildings.

Tribesmen affiliated to Al-Ahmar said that they will stay in their barracks and behind sandbags until the military is reorganized. One of Al-Ahmar's fighters said in a conversation with the Yemen Times that they are willing to put down their weapons and return home when the military reorganization outlined in the GCC Initiative is implemented.

"We will fight as long as Ahmed (Saleh's son) and other relatives of



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Saleh hold the reins of the military," one of the fighters said.

They accuse the Republican Guard of supplying weapons to Sagheer bin Azeez, a tribal leader loyal to Saleh who fought against Al-Ahmar's fighters during the battles with Saleh's forces.

They also said that snipers from the Republican Guards are still stationed in some of the residential buildings and hotels in Al-Hasaba.

Ahmed Al-Sofi, Saleh's press secretary, denied the existence of snipers affiliated to the Republican Guards in a statement given to the Yemen Times.

"The military presence in Al-Hasaba is only by Al-Ahmar's tribesmen and the first armored division," Al-Sofi said.

He added that Al-Ahmar and the armored division "have only utilized the attack against Al-Arhab to go back to their military positions."

One local of Al-Hasaba says that they still live in panic and constant worry, indicating that the sounds

of shooting are heard from time to time.

A local source said that preparations by armed men affiliated to Sheikh Al-Ahmar come in anticipation of attacks similar to those currently being launched by the Republican Guard in Arhab.

"The delay of the military reorganization and fears of the political settlement failing could make the situation explode again," the source added.

When a team from the Yemen Times visited Al-Hasaba, the streets in front of Al-Ahmar's house were open. The team roamed the neighborhood that appeared largely destroyed, in particular the house of Sheikh Al-Ahmar, the buildings of Yemenia Airways and Al-Saeeda Airways, the office of the Standing Committee of Saleh's GPC Party, and other government ministers and buildings.

The surrounding buildings seem empty of armed men who are now posted in front and back of Al-Ah-



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mar's house, whilst soldiers can be seen inside the government ministries.

The neighborhoods around the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and Al-Hasaba market are still largely empty of residents and the markets are closed. Some remaining residents are now leaving their houses as they worry that clashes will erupt again at any time.

Ahmed Al-Masnaee, a local citizen said that the current situation indicates that clashes will be renewed. He said that he must carry his personal weapon when outside the house, and that he will only leave it at home when he sees the existence of a real independent army.

Some soldiers centered inside government buildings said that the government ministries in Al-Hasaba are now completely empty of landmines. They warned, however, that the main market of Al-Hasaba is still not safe, and there are still landmines and explosive devices present there.

Locals from Al-Hasaba demanded that President Abdu-Rabo Mansour Hadi and the Military Committees take serious actions to end the fighting and restore peace and stability.

President Hadi held an exceptional meeting on Tuesday with the Military Commissions tasked with

removing signs of the military from city streets and ending the fighting.

Hadi stressed the importance of settling a plan to unify the armed forces under one leadership, and imposing security and stability to complete the implementation of the GCC power transfer deal, and the 2014 UN Security Council Resolution.

A spokesman for Al-Ahmar denied that the armed tribesmen had returned to their previous positions, affirming that they are committed to the truce and the GCC deal.

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# Ansar Al-Shariah denies execution of captured soldiers

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ADEN, April 4 — The group Ansar Al-Sharia (Supporters of Islamic Law) has denied the execution of a number of the Yemeni soldiers in the city of Jaar, in Abyan province, saying that a number of the soldiers had been killed during an attack against a military checkpoint in Al-Malah district in the province of Lahj. It emphasized that they killed none of the captured soldiers.

The group that controls on Zinjibar and Jaar in Abyan province said in a text message sent to journalists' phones that the reports of

execution were groundless, denying any military attacks on Tuesday morning.

News reports said that Al-Qaeda operatives executed a number of soldiers who were captured in the battle of Dofas on March 4th, but the organization denied that.

In return for freeing the soldiers who were captured in the surprise attack against an army outpost in Dofas, Ansar Al-Sharia demands the release of jihadists imprisoned in government jails.

Media sources said that at least six operatives of Ansar Al-Sharia were killed during bombardment by

the Yemeni army on the outskirts of Zinjibar last Sunday.

On Monday morning, Ansar Al-Shairah claimed responsibility for a mortar attack on a military camp, Badar, in the Khor Miksoor section of Aden, but military sources said that the shelling caused no damages.

The group, which claims affiliation to Al-Qaeda, attacked a military barrack in the Al-Haroor area to the north of Jaar last Saturday, killing a number of soldiers.

While no military source commented on the casualties, the group claimed it killed thirty soldiers.

The fighters took over a number of pieces of military equipment during the attacks on Al-Haroor barracks, but warplanes destroyed some of them and recaptured the position.

In Azzan of Shabwa, east Yemen captured by the AnsarAl-Sharia militants, the group claimed responsibility for blowing up an oil pipeline in Mafrq Al-Saeed last Sunday, citing that the attack was revenge for air strikes that day which targeted the militants.

Militants of the organization prevented engineers from repairing the pipeline, firing on them, and one driver was wounded.

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# Bin Laden’s widow to return to Yemen after 45 day house arrest



Amal Al-Sada, Bin Laden’s widow was promised by Yemen’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs to come back home and her file will be closed completely.

By: Mohammed Al-Samie

SANA’A, April. 4 — Bin Laden’s Yemeni widow, Amal Abdul-Fattah Al-Sada, was sentenced to 45 days house arrest in Pakistan last Monday.

Abdul-Fattah will return to Yemen after the end of the sentence, while the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has finished the procedures for her return, according to Abdul-Fattah’s brother, Zakaria Al-Sada.

Al-Sada told CNN that he has received guarantees from Yemen’s government that his sister will not be interrogated and her file will be closed when she arrives in Yemen.

On Monday, Osama bin Laden’s three widows and two daughters were sentenced to 45 days house arrest for their illegal residency in Pakistan. The sentence was dated to begin March 3 when they were formally charged.

Al-Sada said he will return to Yemen, along with his sister, after the end of her sentence, indicating that Bin Laden’s three widows have been serving their sentence in one of their homes in Islamabad.

Pakistani authorities detained bin Laden’s widows after the US raid that killed bin Laden on May 2 last year.

Al-Sada indicated that Yemen’s government has provided support for his sister during her detention and trial in Pakistan.

Amal Abdul-Fattah said that she had always hoped to marry a jihadist. When her marriage to bin Laden had been arranged in 2000, she travelled to Pakistan and crossed the border into Afghanistan, heading to Kandahar.

She said that she didn’t remember exactly when she got married.

Al-Sada lived with bin Laden’s two wives until the attacks against the US on Sep.11, 2001, but afterwards the family scattered, according to the Pakistani Police.

# Fuel prices reduced by 29 percent

By: Mohammed Al-Samie

SANA’A, Apr. 4 — Yemen’s Oil Company announced on Wednesday a reduction in petrol and kerosene prices of around 29 percent.

The company stated that the new price for one liter of petrol is YR 125 (about USD 0.58) down from YR 175. However, the price of diesel will double to be YR 100 per liter

A source from the oil company told the Yemen Times that the new prices came into effect on Wednesday at 3pm.

Yemen has witnessed a serious shortage in oil derived products due to pipelines carrying crude oil being frequently bombed in a number of areas. The crisis has allowed the black market to flourish and had forced the government to increase the price of oil products by 125 percent.

“This was a political decision rather than an economic one, whereby the state has decided to share the citizens’ burden of economic hardships through this fuel subsidy,” said the Minister of Oil, Hisham Sharaf.

The state is importing fuel today

at a price of YR 3,900 per 20 liters and has been selling them at YR 3,500 until yesterday. However, with the decrease in prices the state will cover the difference of YR 1,400 per 20 liters.

“The good news is that we are hoping to recommence the Marib pipeline production, which since it is local product will cost a little less as production of each liter of Yemeni oil will cost YR 160 per liter compared to YR 195 for the imported fuel,” said the minister.

Cars have been lining up around gas stations since the news of the decrease in prices came out, in fear that this is a temporary decision. The delivering of fuel services was delayed until 3pm whilst the Ministry of Oil carried out an inventory of the remaining fuel bought at the earlier price in order to compensate the gas stations.

The increase in diesel prices was made to stop the smuggling of diesel on the black market. Moreover, starting from Saturday the Ministry of Oil will ensure abundance of fuel and diesel in the market.

Many Yemenis expressed their

happiness about the reduction in fuel prices.

Manea Soleiman, a local from Sana’a, told the Yemen Times that the decision is considered a count-down towards the alleviation of Yemenis’ suffering, indicating that this price cut will reflect positively on all Yemenis.

Dr. Mohammed Jubran, a professor of economics at Sana’a University, told the Yemen Times that the decision will produce a positive reaction among Yemenis and the private sector. He pointed out that the step will help fight corruption in oil products that costs Yemen about YR 3 billion (nearly USD 14 million) annually.

Jubran indicated that the decision will standardize the prices of petrol, diesel and kerosene in all governorates.

A government report by the Ministry of Oil, showed that Yemen incurs a loss of USD 15 million daily each day that pumping of oil is prevented from the fields in Marib governorate. The pipelines in the Marib area have been attacked repeatedly over the last few months.

# Bani Hushaish tribesmen block Sana’a-Mareb Road

By: Ahmed Dawood

SANA’A, April 4 — On Tuesday, armed tribesmen from the Bani Hushaish tribal area, 30 km north-east of the capital Sana’a, blocked the 172-km Sana’a-Mareb road. As of writing, the road is still closed.

The tribesmen are prohibiting passengers from Mareb and Nihm from entering or leaving the capital Sana’a.

The road connects the capital Sana’a to Mareb, Al-Jawf, Shabwa, Hadramout, Al-Mahra, and remote areas of Sana’a.

Local sources told the Yemen Times that the armed men are affiliated with the businessman Yahya Hamoud Al-Agr, a merchant from Shibam Al-Gharas in Bani Hushaish district.

“The armed men keep citizens coming from Mareb, Hadramout, Al-Jawf, and Al-Mahra from entering Sana’a,” said Mohamed Ahmed, a local citizen from the roadblock area.

The long distance transporta-

tion busses were forced to stop for a while, then returned to their stations. Some passengers waited for two hours hoping that tribesmen would open the road, but they were forced to go back home.

Yahya Al-Agr, the businessman who ordered the establishment of the road block, said in a conversation with the Yemen Times that he and his fellow Bani Hushaish tribesmen blocked the road in reaction to a one year-old dispute between him and other tribal leaders in Mareb.

He explained that one year ago, armed men from Mareb had plundered six trucks belonging to him. The trucks were loaded with food stuffs and were on the way from his hometown in Bani Hushaish to his stores in Sayoun, Hadramout.

He claimed that his trucks are still being held by influential tribal leaders in Mareb. He added that he lost around YR 40 million (\$ 186,000).

He went on saying that before blocking the road, he reported his

complaint to the police authority. Three months ago, the policemen arrested the criminals, but the security chief of Sana’a, Brigadier General Mohamed Saleh Tareeq, and the security chief of Mareb, Mohamed Al-Ghadra’a, released them after just two days.

Abdulkarim Al-Mekhlafi, Tareeq’s secretary, told the Yemen Times that the security authority in Sana’a has not yet taken any action to open the road, fearing possible loss of life that could result from clashes with the armed tribesmen.

For his part, Tareeq denied in a conversation with the Yemen Times that he released the detained criminals.

“This is untrue and I challenge anyone to prove that,” said Al-Tareeq.

He added that road blocks have been on the rise since the beginning of 2011, due to the political conflict among various parties.

When contacted by The Yemen Times, Al-Gadara declined to comment on the issue.

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# Ansar Al-Sharia attacks military airbase in Aden

By: Muaad Al-Maqtari

ADEN, April 4 – On Tuesday night, militants believed to be from Ansar Al-Sharia fired mortar shells against Badar military airbase located in the Khor Maksar district of Aden.

The Ministry of Interior released a statement on its security website saying that “lawless elements shelled Badar military base with four mortar shells. Three landed in the Badar military airport, while one fell nearby in the Al-Nasr residential area.”

With Al-Qaeda’s and Ansar Al-Sharia’s increasingly frequent attacks targeting military bases and institutions, the security situation in the southern Yemeni governorate of Aden is deteriorating sharply.

The city of Aden is witnessing strict security measures and very high levels of troop deployment.

Abdullah Al-Sharafi, a leader of the Al-Ray Party, told the Yemen Times that the security situation in Aden has deteriorated and that not a day goes by without a theft or security incident.

“Police stations in the city appear to be confused as the alert level is at its highest due to the potential attacks of Al-Qaeda that frequently target army and security institutions,” said Al-Sharafi.

He did not rule out the possibility that Al-Qaeda could seize control of residential areas in the city of Aden.

“Al-Qaeda has shelled Badar military base from a residential area and they have sleeper cells in some neighborhoods,” he said.

He pointed out that high class areas of Aden such as Al-Mula and Al-Twahi have witnessed a sharp deterioration in security with theft and looting incidents of cars and gold shops reaching an all time high.

A Nissan car belonging to the Thabet Brothers Company was forcibly taken by unidentified gunmen who forced its driver out, police said on Tuesday.

The police have circulated a description of the stolen car to the various agencies of the police and security forces, ordering them to arrest whoever is driving it. The car is Nissan model 2009 with the number plate 3/3298.

# Location of Saudi hostage still unknown

Abdurrahman Anees

ADEN, April 4- Amid complete silence by the Yemeni authorities and various rumors circulating by media outlets, mystery still surrounds the kidnapping of the Saudi deputy consul Abdullah Al-Khaledi in the southern port city of Aden.

Local media outlets insisted that the incident is related to a civil marriage.

Security and local officials declined to comment on the case, saying investigation is still underway.

While on his way to work on the morning of Wednesday, March 28, which marks the last day of his five-year tenure in Yemen, unidentified gunmen snatched Al-Khaledi from an area nearby his house in the Raimi area section of Aden.

The Saudi ambassador to Sana’a, Ali Al-Hamdan, denied media reports claiming that the incident has to do with a secret civil marriage to a local Adeni girl, saying these reports are baseless.

“Unfortunately, Al-Khaledi did not have any escort when he was kidnapped,” said Al-Hamdan.

The Riyadh Foreign Ministry directs the members of its diplomatic mission to Yemen to remain vigilant and not to go out without escort.

A Saudi team of experts, which arrived in Aden in the wake of the kidnapping, is examining the incident in an attempt to find the the diplomat’s whereabouts.

According to local media, which cited residents from Aden, the kidnappers are asking for legal marriage documents as well as a sum of money.

Security officials in Aden refused to comment on the incident or declare the findings of the initial investigation, but a security source hinted that Al-Khaledi is believed to have been moved to a mountainous area between Aden and Lahj.

The Aden-based Al-Tareeq newspaper quoted a local official as saying that “the kidnapping of the deputy consul is really weird” mysterious, calling on media outlets to check the accuracy of reports, as the topic is sensitive.

In late February, unidentified gunmen intercepted and seized Al-Khaledi’s car as well as all of his personal belongings, after they forced him out of the vehicle.

# Counting Yemen’s military assets

By: Mohamed Bin Sallam & Ali Saeed

SANA’A, April 4 – Military committees of the Ministry of Defense are continuing to count the assets of the Yemeni army, according to an officer from the ministry who requested anonymity.

The officer explained that the same committees are also tasked with counting the human resources of all military divisions.

The Yemeni army, which currently is not operating according to professional standards of management, is expected to be restructured in line with the GCC Initiative to operate independently of personal or partisan loyalties.

The officer said that the ministry regularly holds meetings to investigate the many impediments that have faced the committees tasked with counting assets, and find ways around these obstructions.

Another officer at the ministry said that former president Saleh has rejected Hadi’s instructions to the ministry to count all military weapons.

“Saleh declined to calculate all the assets of the army. He suggested counting only undistributed weapons and vehicles,” said the officer who asked that his name not be published.

The Minister of Defense, Mohammad Nasser Ahmed, said on March 7 that President Abd Rabo Mansour Hadi asked the ministry to form military and technical committees to count the assets of the Yemeni military.

He affirmed that during a meeting with the Chief of Staff, Ahmed Ali Al-Ashwal, directors of the Defense Ministry’s depart-

ments and other military commanders, that Ahmed had instructed the committees to begin their job so as to prevent the leakage of weapons to armed groups or militias.

Ahmed stressed the importance of building up the institutions that will guarantee the unification of military forces as stipulated by the GCC-brokered power transfer deal signed on Nov. 23.

The state-run Saba News Agency quoted Al-Ashwal as saying that all departments of the Ministry of Defense must have inclusive reforms. He stressed the importance of military reorganization so that Yemen could have a standard modern army.

The audit of army assets is a significant step in the reorganization of the military. The military has experienced deep divisions since Commander of the First Armored Division, General Ali Mohsen Al-Ahmar, defected and declared his support for the peaceful youth revolution on March 21, 2011.

Aysh Awaz, a security and political researcher at Sheba Strategic Studies Center, said in an interview with the Yemen Times that the commanders of some military units inflate the number of troops under their command to skim off the extra salaries into their private accounts.

Troops in Yemen’s army receive their salaries in cash directly from their commanders, which has exacerbated corruption at the Ministry of Defense.

Abd Al-Razaq Al-Hajri, an opposition member of parliament, this week during question time demanded from the defense minister that salaries in the army be paid through a bank to reduce the possibility of corruption.

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# Yemen caught between Ansar Allah and Ansar Al-Shariah

By: Mohamed Bin Sallam

**Many opposites exist in complicated Yemen. Those in political power and the opposition parties, the state and the tribe, the civil state and the religious state. Another opposing tension is that between Ansar Allah and Ansar Al-Shariah.**

**A**nsar Allah is the military wing of the Shiite Houthi Movement, who fought six wars against Yemen's army between 2004 and 2010. They currently control and run the northern governorate of Sa'ada, some parts of Hajja and areas within Amran.

Ansar Al-Sharia is an organization comprised of Islamists and jihadists that made its first appearance in Abyan, south Yemen in May 2011. This is when armed men took control of Zinjibar, the capital of Abyan, after security personnel abandoned their positions and weapons in the governorate.

Most members of Ansar Al-Sharia are former jihadists who fought in Afghanistan against the Soviet Union and returned to Yemen in 1990. The connection between Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) and this new group remains uncertain.

Ansar Al-Sharia is a mixture of

fighters that are commanded by Khalid Abdul-Nabi, a Yemeni jihadist who was once part of the Islamic Army of Aden-Abyan. The 'army' was a jihadist group headed by Abu Al-Hassan Al-Mihdar, who was executed in 1999 on charges of abducting and killing westerners.

The Islamic Army of Aden-Abyan carried out many terrorist operations in Abyan including bombings and the abduction and killing of western tourists in 1998 before the emergence of Al-Qaeda in its present structure.

In the early 2000s Abdul-Nabi appeared to leave jihad activities and retreated to his own farm near Jaar in Abyan. Here he stayed for about six years theorizing about Jihadist Salafi ideology. In 2005, a top Yemeni official declared Abdul-Nabi fully rehabilitated and living the life of a peaceful farmer.

Abdul-Nabi was arrested along with 28 supposed Al-Qaeda supporters in an operation in Abyan governorate in August 2008. In an apparent meeting with then president Ali Abdullah Saleh, Abdul-Nabi agreed to support the Yemeni regime against its enemies, the Houthi rebels in the north and southern separatists. Abdul-Nabi was released in a general amnesty in early 2009.

With ambiguous attempts by the regime to contain Abdul-Nabi, his followers appear to commit to his ideology and created what was to become Ansar Al-Shariah. The organization announced itself when it seized control of Zinjibar, the capital of Abyan.

The nature of the relationship between Al-Shariah and Al-Qaeda is unclear, but Al-Shariah shares many similarities with what is known as Jihadist Salafism. Abdul-Nabi has denied any relation with Al-Qaeda, a denial that sounds authentic. However, his ideological perspective seems to a large extent to be close to Al-Qaeda, especially as his group explicitly endorses the

Jihad movement.

Ansar Al-Shariah appears to be the ideological extension of the Jihad movement, that in turn was a natural extension of the Islamic Army of Aden-Abyan previously led by Al-Mihdar.

Abdul-Nabi has recently denied the existence of the Islamic Army of Aden-Abyan in a press interview, a denial that at times has also been repeated by the state. However, the name was in common use in 1990s.

The militants of Ansar Al-Shariah view themselves as better than other militants. Their belief in their own superiority is reminiscent of the Houthi theory of Divine Selection.

The groups of Ansar Al-Shariah and Ansar Allah are opposites in the sense that the former represents Sunni fundamentalism and the other Shiite extremism. However, their way of thinking is similar as both groups tend to use violence to achieve their aims.

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**The name Ansar Al-Sharia will attract less pressure from the United Nations on Yemen. It will become a Yemeni affair, and there will be less justification to intervene in Yemeni internal affairs, as the organization will not play a role in the Al-Qaeda versus the West conflict.**

**Jihadist experience in Yemen**

The older jihadists in Yemen have more experience than those who named themselves the Jihadist Youth supported by Saudi organizations. This experience came as a direct result of their participation in the war in Afghanistan against the Soviet Union.

The original experience was a consequence of being part of the major



Ansar Al-Sharia, the extremist organization following the Salfi ideology appeared in May 2011. The armed group which took control of Abyan last May has been battling the army on several fronts.



Ansar Allah, the military wing of the Houthis are an extremist Shiite group in Yemen. The group which at the moment runs Sa'ada and some parts of Amran and Hajjah, is expanding its military presence in north Yemen.

jihad groups led by Osama Bin Laden and Tariq Al-Fadhli. That experience increased during the 1994 civil war in Yemen. Hundreds of former jihadists in Afghanistan took part in supporting the military of Ali Abdullah Saleh against the Yemeni Socialist Party.

Some of the jihadists from the above conflicts joined with Abu Al-Hassan Al-Mihdar, and others with Abu Ali Al-Harithi, who was the suspected master mind behind the 2000 bombing of the USS Cole. Al-Harithi was killed by a US drone in Marib in Nov. 2002. That assassination can be seen as the real launch of Al-Qaeda in Yemen.

**Ansar Al-Sharia instead of Al-Qaeda of Jihad**

Many analysts claim that Al-Sharia

is merely Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula changing its name to become a Yemeni organization. The claim is that the name change will have a positive media impact locally and abroad in favor of the group's expansion.

Such a change of name may reduce pressure on Yemen to fight the new group, as it is 'not Al-Qaeda', which as an ally to the US 'war on terror', Yemen is committed to fighting.

A local group, with a local name, will attract less pressure from the United Nations on Yemen. It will become a Yemeni affair, and there will be less justification to intervene in Yemeni internal affairs, as the organization will not play a role in the Al-Qaeda versus the West conflict.

The former leader of Al-Qaeda,

Osama Bin Laden, had expressed a willingness to change the name of the organization. This suggestion was found in a letter on Bin Laden's computer, confiscated after his assassination on May 2, 2011.

Bin Laden expressed in the letter that name 'Al-Qaeda' was not sufficiently religious, and did not express the message that the group was engaged in a holy war against the enemies of Islam. A name change would also put some distance between the criticism Al-Qaeda had attracted for killing a large number of Muslims.

While the Houthis' Ansar Allah group expands their military presence in north Yemen, the Ansar Al-Shariah group intensifies their fighting against the Yemeni army in south Yemen.



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**عن إغلاق فرعي تعز والحديدة تحت التصفية الاختيارية  
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# Quranic schools: worship & recreation

By: Mohammed Al-Samei

**D**ozens of Quran students graduate every year from Mua'ath Quran Center in Taiz. All are graduates of a secondary school (through 12th grade.) Students come to the center from all over the governorate to study the Quran and other Islamic studies.

Hashid Abdu, one of Mua'ath Center's supervisors and head of its social committee, told Yemen Times that the center conducts a number of activities for its students on a daily basis, including summer camping, recreational trips, evening parties, visits to religious scholars and some sports activities.

All students are provided with meals and accommodation for nominal fees. According to Abdu, some students are capable of memorizing the whole Quran in one year, while others take up to three years, which is the maximum time given to the center's students to complete their memorization.

The preacher of Brotherhood Mosque in Hodeida, Hassan Ziad, is also a Quran teacher who runs one of the Quranic circles belonging to the mosque. He says that each circle has about fifteen students a year, of which about four to five students memorize the Quran completely.

Ziad adds that such circles do not limit themselves to memorization of the Quran alone; they teach Islamic jurisprudence, and sayings



of the Prophet.

He further explains that Quranic classes include various activities like leisure trips, Quranic contests among mosques or centers at the level of schools, governorates or the country as a whole.

After the student completes learning the whole Quran by heart, he confines himself to one Quran teacher who reviews the Quran with him chapter by chapter. At the end of the review phase the student is granted a certificate in Hafz (memorization) and Tajweed (Quran reading rules). The students stay in the memorization circles for a length of time according to their abilities.

There is a religious awakening underway among parents, which has led many parents to send their children to Quranic schools. In Hodeidah, Ziad affirms that families encourage their children to join Quran classes. Even among older people, there is a revived interest in the Quran. One of the elderly has decided to memorize the entire Quran and now has only six out of thirty parts remaining to memorize, according to Ziad.



Abdul Rahman Al-Ahdal manages a number of Quran classes in the municipality of Sana'a. During his career as an imam and preacher of Hafsah mosque, he graduated forty-five Quran memorizers before moving to Bayan mosque, where he works today.

"There are many problems that teachers of these circles face," explains Al-Ahdal. "They receive merely \$25 a month, paid by philanthropists. Such a scant amount of money hardly pays for the most basic daily requirements. This compels many a teacher to look for other jobs to make a decent living."

As for the number of potential students joining Quran classes, Al-Ahdal says that the number is low and that many students come to classes only under pressure from their families and not out of their own convictions.

"Some students are rather material and think only of securing university certificates and careers more than they think of the Quran."

He says that the time for classes is between Maghreb and 'Isha prayers (less than one hour), which



is a very short time that enables the students to memorize only 1-2 pages a day. He hopes that one day both the teachers and students will have greater financial incentives and that teaching sessions will be longer.

There are other sports, recreational, jurisprudence and etiquette programs, and religious scholars regularly attend programs held by Bayan mosque for its students.

Since such circles and centers have been established, thousands of young Yemeni men and women across the country have memorized the Holy Quran. One of these is Mohammed Al-Arumi, 25. He memorized the holy book at the Quran Memorization Charity in Ibb governorate nine years ago.

Al-Arumi seems happy about what he has accomplished in memorizing the Quran in only two years.

"I advise all people to heed the Quran and its rules, live by such rules and work hard at memorizing it," he says. "My determination helped me finish my mission while I was still in secondary school."

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**Duration:** One Year

Under the guidance of the Chief of YCSD, the incumbent shall perform the following main responsibilities:

1. Contributes towards the preparation of the Situation Analysis by compiling data, analyzing and evaluating information, and writing chapters of the Analysis.
2. Designs, prepares, implements, monitors and evaluates MNCH project. Analyzes and evaluates data to ensure achievement of objectives and/or takes corrective action when necessary to meet project objectives. Contributes to the development and/or introduction of new approaches, methods and practices in project management and evaluation.
3. Prepares the sectoral documents for the Country Programme Recommendation (CPR) and Plans of Action, Country Programme Summary Sheet, and other programme documents, as required.
4. Participates in intersectoral collaboration with other programme colleagues. Assists in development of appropriate communication and information strategy to support and/or advocate MNCH project development.
5. Undertakes field visits to monitor the MNCH project, as well as conducts periodic project reviews with government counterparts and other partners. Proposes and/or undertakes action on operational procedures affecting project management and implementation. Provides technical advice and assistance to government officials and other partners in the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of project.
6. Meets with national and international agencies covering the management of project. Participates in meetings with ministries responsible for project review, and follows up on implementation of recommendations and agreements.
7. Assists government authorities in planning and organizing training programmes. Identifies training needs and objectives for the purpose of capacity building, project sustainability, as well as promotion and advocacy.
8. Coordinates with the Operations/Supply staff on supply and non-supply assistance activities ensuring proper and timely UNICEF and government accountability. Certifies disbursements of funds, monitors and submits financial status reports to the chief section or Deputy Representative, as required.
9. Participates in the development of the sectoral workplan, ensures the achievement of specific assigned objectives. Provides guidance and support to staff in meeting project objectives.
10. Ensures the accurate and timely input of project information in the computerized programme system, and issues status reports for monitoring and evaluation purposes.
11. Prepares project status reports required for management, Board, donors, budget review, project analysis, annual reports,

### Minimum Qualifications and Job requirements:

Education: Advanced university degree in Public Health and gynae-obstetric, or related technical field.

### Work Experience :

Five years of progressively responsible professional work experience at the national and international levels in programme management, monitoring and evaluation, in a related field.

### Language

Fluency in English and Arabic required.

### Competencies required:

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| i)   | <b>Core Values (Required)</b><br>Commitment<br>Diversity and Inclusion<br>Integrity  | ii) | <b>Core Competencies (Required)</b><br>Communication [II]<br>Working with People [II]<br>Drive for Results [II] |
| iii) | <b>Functional Competencies (Required)</b><br>Leading and Supervising [ II ]<br>Formulating Strategies and Concepts [ II ]<br>Analyzing [ II ]<br>Relating and Networking [ II ]<br>Persuading and Influencing [ II ]<br>Creating and Innovating [ II ] |     |   |

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Oxfam

## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Oxfam, an international NGO, works with others to find lasting solutions to poverty and suffering. Oxfam has been working in Yemen since 1983. Oxfam announces the following vacancies for its Development Programme.

### Gender Project Officer

**Contract Duration:** One Year with possible extension  
**Location:** Sana'a

#### The role

In this key role you will make an important contribution to formulating, refining, and implementing Oxfam policy related to Yemen, contribute to the implementation of the Oxfam Yemen country strategies 2011-2016 and programs, analyze the political and social economic developments in the country, work with the Oxfam risk management tools to assess risks and opportunities, monitor the progress and implementation of counterparts' programmes, and maintain direct contact with partner organisations and other stakeholders and institutions. You will coordinate, negotiate, and make agreements and plans, and follow these through, work closely with local partners, and facilitate the networking between them and relevant external actors. You will be responsible for contributing to the (further development and) implementation of the Oxfam Joint Country Analysis and Strategy, supporting humanitarian preparedness and response in relation to Yemen, developing proposals and reports to donors and monitoring programmes funded by external donors.

#### What we're looking for

We are looking for someone with several years of professional experience working with non-government organizations on education and gender with relevant academic degree, preferably in a development related field. You will have good understanding of poverty and development issues with proven knowledge of equal opportunities and diversity including promoting gender equality, and distinguished demonstration of social and communication skills with the ability to work individually and as part of a team. Equally important will be your influential communication skills in both Arabic and English, your knowledge and skills in computer usage, and your willingness to travel extensively within Yemen and if necessary outside of Yemen.

### Civil Society Project Officer

**Contract Duration:** One Year with possible extension  
**Location:** Sana'a

#### The role

In this key role you will make an important contribution to formulating, refining, and implementing Oxfam policy related to Yemen, contribute to the implementation of the Oxfam Yemen country strategies 2011-2016 and programs, analyze the political and social economic developments in the country, work with the Oxfam risk management tools to assess risks and opportunities, monitor the progress and implementation of counterparts' programmes, and maintain direct contact with partner organisations and other stakeholders and institutions. You will coordinate, negotiate, and make agreements and plans, and follow these through, work closely with local partners, and facilitate the networking between them and relevant external actors. You will be responsible for contributing to the (further development and) implementation of the Oxfam Joint Country Analysis and Strategy, supporting humanitarian preparedness and response in relation to Yemen, developing proposals and reports to donors and monitoring programmes funded by external donors.

#### What we're looking for

We are looking for someone with several years of professional experience working with non-government organizations with relevant academic degree, preferably in a development related field. You will have proven experience in working on governance and in capacity building of civil society organizations, good understanding of poverty and development issues with good knowledge of equal opportunities and diversity, and distinguished demonstration of social, intercultural and communication skills with the ability to work individually and as part of a team. Equally important will be your influential communication skills in both Arabic and English, your knowledge and skills in computer usage, and your willingness to travel extensively within Yemen and if necessary outside of Yemen.

#### To apply

If you believe that you have the qualifications and skills to excel in either of these positions, please send a copy of your CV and a cover letter, clearly stating the job you are applying for, to [yemenjobs@oxfam.org.uk](mailto:yemenjobs@oxfam.org.uk)

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**Please apply immediately as we will be interviewing suitable candidates before the closing date**





## JOB VACANCY

**CHF International Yemen, implementing agency of an Education focused sub grant part of a leading development Project, is seeking qualified candidates for the following positions:**

- 1- Job Title:** Construction Project Manager/ Officer  
**Duty station:** Field  
**Duration of the project:** 11 months

**EXPERIENCE & REQUIRMENTS**

- Experience in constriction project management.
- Experience in cost estimation of infrastructure project
- Experience in USAID regulations.
- Experience in making and studying big constriction contracts.
- Experience in construction and rehabilitation building and infrastructure work.
- Bachelor's degree in relevant field.
- At least three years relevant experience.
- Team work orientation.
- Fluent in written and spoken English and Arabic.
- Must be able to read and interpret documents, and communicate with others as necessary to perform job duties effectively.
- Flexible to work over the working hours
- Excellent communication and organizational skills.
- Demonstrated computer AutoCAD, typing skills and Microsoft office skills are essential

- 2- Job Title:** Contracts / Grants Officer  
**Location:** Sana'a, Yemen  
**Duration of the project:** 11 months

The Contracts / Grants officer will coordinate and implement administration of CHF Contracts / Grants activities developing budgets and subcontracts, ensuring full utilization of grant funds.

**EXPERIENCE & REQUIRMENTS**

- Experience with proposal and reporting requirements for multiple funding sources (USAID)
- Knowledge of Contracts /Grants solicitation process.
- Bachelor's degree in related field, preferable in business administration, public administration or international development.
- At least three years contracts and grants management experience, preferably working with an INGO.
- Fluent in written and spoken English and Arabic.
- Must be able to read and interpret documents, and communicate with others as necessary to perform job duties effectively.
- Demonstrated computer and typing skills and Microsoft office skills are essential.

**Qualified candidates are encouraged to submit their Resumes and a Cover letter clearly indicating the position they are applying for in the Subject line to: [chfrecruitment@gmail.com](mailto:chfrecruitment@gmail.com) or send a fax to 01 427426 , NO LATER THAN APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup> of , 2012.**

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**Internal Vacancy Announcement No. 12/2012  
(For UN Staff in Yemen only)**

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) invites application from qualified Yemeni nationals for the following positions:-

- Title:** Programme Assistant  
**Level:** GS.6  
**Type of Contract:** Fixed Term  
**Duty Station:** Sana'a,  
**Duration:** One Year

Under the overall guidance and supervision of the Chief Field Office, the incumbent shall perform the following main responsibilities:

1. Collects information mainly from records and reports and prepares periodic and ad hoc reports on programme and project activities.
2. Organizes data and information, prepares and maintains records, documents and control plans for the Monito ring of project/programme implementation.
3. Contributes to the preparation of reports, project documents and submissions to governments by providing information, preparing tables and drafting relatively routine sections. Prepares background information for use in discussions with governments and other organizations. Participates in the briefing and debriefing of project personnel.
4. Scrutinizes plans of operations, exchanges of letters and takes appropriate follow-up action. Assists in the administrative process of government requests for assistance.
5. Assists field officers in preparation of meetings, maintains contact with partner institution and individuals towards programme implementation. May be required to carry out specific administrative operational / control tasks for project/programme activities.
6. Maintains contact list and prepares correspondences for partners, ensures the organization and filing of programme documents and follow-up with other sections as well as partner.
7. Performs other duties as required by supervisor.

**Minimum Qualifications and Job requirements:**

**Education:** Completion of secondary education, preferably supplemented by technical or university courses in a field related to the work of the organization.

**Work Experience:** Six years of progressively responsible clerical or administrative work, of which at least one year is closely related to support of programme activities.

**Language:** Working knowledge of one/two working language(s) of the organization. Fluency in English and Arabic required

**Competencies required:**

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| <b>i) Core Values (Required)</b><br>Commitment<br>Diversity and Inclusion<br>Integrity  | <b>ii) Core Competencies (Required)</b><br>Communication [II]<br>Working with People [II]<br>Drive for Results [II] |
| <b>iii) Functional Competencies (Required)</b><br>Analyzing [II]<br>Applying Technical Expertise [II]<br>Following instructions and Procedures [II]<br>Planning and Organizing [II] |   |

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**Internal and External Vacancy Announcement No. 14/2012**

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) invites application from qualified Yemeni nationals for the following positions:-

- Title:** Education Officer  
**Level:** NOB  
**Type of Contract:** Fixed Term  
**Duty Station:** Sa'ada  
**Duration:** One Year

Under the supervision of the Chief, Field Office and technical guidance of Chief of Education the incumbent shall perform the following main responsibilities:

1. Contributes to the design, implements, monitor and evaluates the education program. Analyses and evaluates data to ensure achievement of objectives and/or takes corrective action when necessary to meet programme objectives with emphasis on equity. In close consultation and technical support of WASH team in Sana'a, review and amend technical terms and bills of quantities regarding activities related to WASH and school environment; contributes to the development and/or introduction of new approaches, methods and practices in project management and evaluation.
2. Plan and supervise implementation of research, assessments on specific areas related to the program produce evidence based reports and advocacy materials necessary to influence policies and attitudes. Prepare technical project proposals for training activities; construction/rehabilitation works etc. in schools, through visits to project sites and intensive coordination with counterparts.
3. Participates in intersectoral collaboration with other programme colleagues. Assists in development of appropriate communication and information strategy to support and/or advocate programme development
4. Undertake visits to programme sites as well as conducts periodic programme reviews with government counterparts and other partners to assess and analyse local conditions and resources from a technical perspective aiming at the definition of suitable programme interventions. Compile data and information resulting from field surveys. Contributes towards the preparation of the Situation Analysis and writing of the Analysis. Actively participate

and contribute to the development of country program and the Annual Work Plans.

5. Regularly meet with national and international agencies implementing programmes in education, water and sanitation and related field to ensure coordination of activities and maximize the impact of our inputs to the program. Participates in meetings with responsible authorities for programme review, and follows up on implementation of recommendations and agreements. Provides technical advice and assistance to government officials, NGOs and other partners in the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of programme/project(s).
6. Assists government authorities in planning and organizing training programmes for teachers, school principals and supervisors, community education committees, etc. Identifies training needs and objectives of various categories for the purpose of capacity building, programme sustainability, as well as promotion and advocacy.
7. Ensure proper interfacing between government counterparts and UNICEF through proper coordination and consequent two-directional flow of information between both entities. Provide guidance to UNICEF officers in a manner that clarifies the situation on the ground based on field information and to government counterparts to ensure that their requests correspond to UNICEF nature of assistance.
8. Meets with national and international agencies implementing programmes in education and related field to ensure coordination of activities and maximize the impact of our inputs to the program. Participates in meetings with entities responsible for programmer review, and follows up on implementation of recommendations and agreements.
9. Assists government authorities in planning and organizing training programmes. Identifies training needs and objectives for the purpose of capacity building, programme sustainability, as well as promotion and advocacy.
10. Coordinates with the Operations/Supply staff on supply and non-supply assistance activities ensuring proper and timely UNICEF and government accountability. Certifies disbursements of funds, monitors and submits financial status reports to the Deputy Representative or Representative, as required.

**Minimum Qualifications and Job requirements:**

Education: University degree in one of the disciplines relevant to the following areas: Education; Primary Education, Economics, Social Sciences, or a field(s) relevant to international development assistance.

**Experience :**

Two years of professional work experience at national and international levels relevant to Education programmes. Experience working in the UN or other international development organization an asset. Background in Emergency programme an asset.

**Language**

Fluency in English and Arabic (both written and verbal) is required

**Competencies required:****i) Core Values (Required)**

- Commitment
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Integrity

**ii) Core Competencies (Required)**

- Communication [ II ]
- Working with People [ II ]
- Drive for Results [ II ]

**iii) Functional Competencies (Required)**

- Leading and Supervising [ I ]
- Formulating Strategies and Concepts [ II ]
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- Relating and Networking [ II ]
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# Ethiopian refugees in Sana'a seek third country resettlement

By: Muaad Al-Maqtari

The Ethiopian refugee Seble Yohanes told the Yemen Times that she is only thirty, but her pale face with wide eyes full of concern makes her look as if she was 50.

Looking for a safe place to raise her demands, Yohanes went to the Ministry of Human Rights in the Yemeni capital of Sana'a on Saturday. Yohanes, along with other refugees from Ethiopia, decided to sleep on the pavement next to the Ministry.

During the daytime, this exposed place becomes a sit-in rally to demand protection of their rights from the United Nations Higher Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the Yemeni government.

"The police forces arrested us in front of the Human Rights Ministry," Yohanes said, with fear evident in her pallid face at the thought of police, who have repeatedly raided illegal refugees in Yemen and arrested as many as they can.

Ethiopian refugees contacted Yohanes and her compatriots in an attempt to relay details of the inhuman conditions inside the police detention center, intensifying her fear of ending up like them.

Yohanes handed her mobile over to a Yemen Times reporter while Hatem, Yohanes' friend speaking on the phone while being held in a crowded detention center in Sana'a, tried to paint a vivid picture of his brutal conditions and suffering, in the hopes that the whole world might know about those in the detention centers.

More than 220 imprisoned Ethiopians are kept inside a single room. The prisoners are subjected to beating and only given one meal a day, according to Hatem.

"Diseases are spreading due to the unhealthy environment and we are not allowed to receive medical treatment," added Hatem, who speaks limited Arabic.

The words of Hatem stoked Yohanes' and her friends' fear of having to face a similar fate. Unfortunately, their fears did not take long to materialize.

On Saturday afternoon, police forces arrested Yohanes along with seven other Ethiopian refugees, including two women and a 5-year-old girl, Sara.



More than 65,000 Ethiopian immigrants arrived to Yemen in 2011, compared to 34,422 in 2010, according to the UNHCR.

They were taken from behind the Ministry of Human Rights, according to eyewitnesses.

While in a police patrol car, Yohanes managed to make a brief call to the Yemen Times. She spoke with difficulty, as it was clear she was crying.

"We were supposed to meet with Horia Mashhor, the Yemeni Minister of Human Rights, later today," she said.

"After several days of continued attempts and great efforts to get to Mashhor, who was passing us for days going in and out of the Ministry, looking very busy, she agreed to meet us and set an appointment to discuss our situation."

She said that they had short conversations with Mashhor in front of the Ministry of Human Rights, and after talking to them for a few moments she was interrupted with several calls from governmental officials who told her to leave, not taking into consideration her conversation with the refugees.

Two days prior to her arrest, police managed to detain most of the refugees who had created a protest encampment in front of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for eleven months, she

noted.

According to Yohanes, some refugees were held in a prison in Sana'a, while some others were moved to the camp for African refugees located in the Kharaz coastal area near the strait of Bab Al-Mandab, a key shipping lane through which more than three million barrels of oil pass daily.

## Useless asylum ID

There is nothing that can protect Yohanes and the other refugees from police pursuit and relentless raids except for asylum IDs issued by UNHCR.

The first provision of the ID, however, states that the UNHCR's ability to interfere and protect the refugees is still limited.

The UNHCR office recognizes only the official refugees carrying IDs. But according to the UNHCR, holders of these IDs are not necessarily guaranteed any financial assistance nor the right to resettle in a third country. This draws the ire of African refugees, particularly Ethiopians.

The IDs terms are based on Articles no.17 and 22 of the 1951 United Nations convention relating to the status of refugees, which was

ratified by Yemen. The convention only ensures refugees the right to work and public education. The ID has to be renewed every year.

Some minority groups from the Ethiopian political opposition have managed to resettle in the United States and EU countries after staying in Yemen for a while.

Yohanes, like most of the African refugees who continue flowing into Yemen, do not want to settle down in Yemen. They consider it a transition point for their resettlement in rich countries like the Gulf states, the US, or EU countries.

Imam Hussein Edrees, a 60-year-old Ethiopian refugee, was standing among refugees at the protest encampment in front of the Ministry of Human Rights, holding his old refugee documents in his hands.

On November 16, 1992, Edrees obtained his asylum in Yemen from the UNHCR, and had been renewing his ID every year, until 2006, when the UN agency began to refuse to continue renewing his asylum card.

Although he has had five official appointments with UNHCR representatives in Yemen, Edrees said he has not been able to meet any offi-



Ethiopian refugee Seble Yohanes

cials of the UN Refugee Agency.

Khadija Nassr Al-Din, another Ethiopian refugee, who has been in Yemen for more than fifteen years, said her husband Kaidani Mariam Asfa died in 2001 after a long struggle with intestinal cancer. However, neither the UNHCR nor the Yemeni government offered her or her husband any assistance.

With her eyes full of tears, Kadija said, "my husband died while hugging our son."

While Kadija is Muslim, her husband was Christian. Their son, Ibrahim, was given a common name to both religions. They embodied a unique coexistence between people with different religious backgrounds.

Thousands of African refugees risk their lives when they cross the Red Sea on board small boats run by human traffickers. Smugglers dump them into the sea two kilometers from the Yemeni shore, forcing them to swim the rest of the way.

Yohanes said that in the boats belonging to traffickers, the refugees are mercilessly beaten if they attempt to move or raise heads or hands.

In a separate event, last month

the Interior Ministry found an armed gang in Haradh area, in the northern governorate of Hajjah located along the borders with Saudi Arabia. The gang was holding dozens of illegal African refugees prisoner, mostly Ethiopians.

In a statement, the ministry said more than 170 African refugees were kidnapped, including ten women, 50 children, and 19 old men. The refugees were subjected to beating and torture by the armed gang.

"Due to beating that targeted the face and other sensitive areas, some refugees now suffer from sight and hearing problems," added the statement.

The ministry also revealed that in February, police forces had managed to arrest two members of the armed gang. The two members had been detaining 128 illegal refugees from whom they were trying to extort money.

More than 65,000 Ethiopian immigrants arrived to Yemen in 2011, compared to 34,422 in 2010, according to the UNHCR.

The UN refugee agency further pointed out that 37,333 Ethiopians arrived in Yemen illegally, revealing that 616 are either dead or still missing.



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**Office Manager**  
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Moevenpick Hotel, Room 722  
Berlin Street, Dhahr Hemiar  
Sana'a, Republic of Yemen

The package should include: (i) agency profile, (ii) copy of commercial license (iii) three verifiable references from corporate clients.

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راس	صالح	ماهرص	



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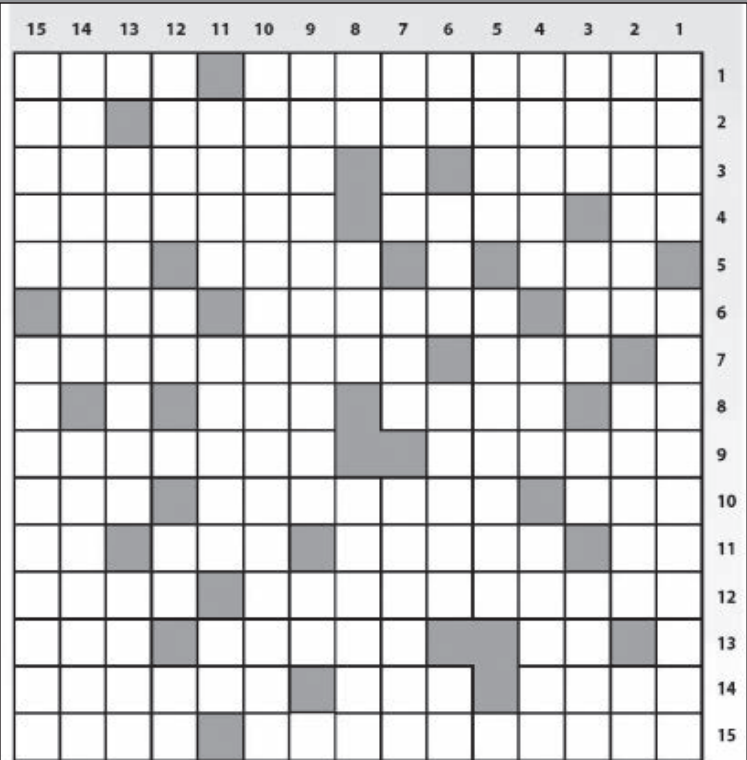
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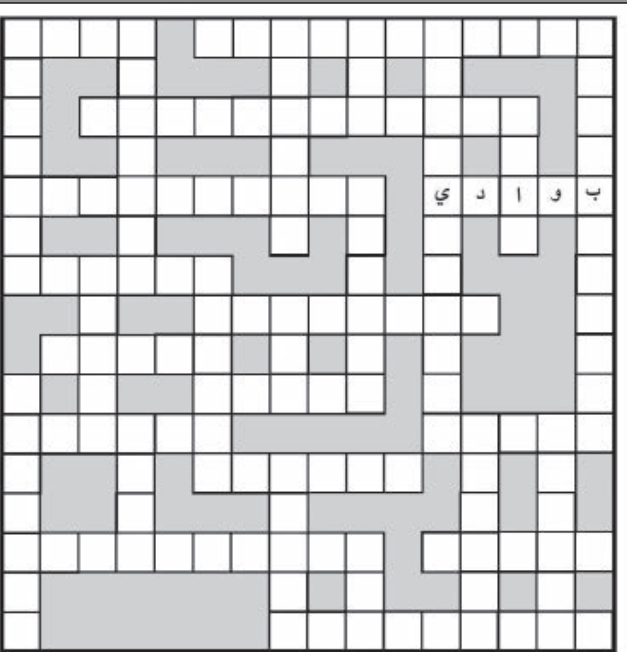
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2- في جسم الإنسان - عائق (م)  
3- احبيه واحفظه (م) - ربحنا  
4- شبكة بالانجليزي - عتال (م) - تعارضون  
5- مجلة عربية - خط بالانجليزي - خاصتا  
6- كامل - نعاتها (م) - نهض (م)  
7- زائفة - المعاولات (م)  
8- مقياس لرضي (م) - الطليق - من مشتقات الحليب (م)  
9- التعرض لمادة قاتلة - يمرضونه  
10- مرحبيا بالانجليزي - متشابهة - ترعزع  
11- حيوان قطبي - سبحتا (م) - من اخوات ان - للتعريف  
12- من اعمال هند صبري (م) - تمتطي (م)  
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15- اغنية ل كلظم الساهر (م) - مدينة سورية

عمودي  
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11- غناء فضائية - حرف جر  
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## Morad Sobeia transforms ugliness into beauty

Story and photos by  
Sadeq Al-Wesabi

On a street in Sana'a, Morad Sobeia, 24, is painting on the bullet-ridden walls, ignoring the derogatory remarks of many passers-by. Three weeks ago, Sobeia decided

to start painting graffiti near the Kentucky Roundabout in Sana'a. Under the scorching sun, he expresses himself through creating art on walls.

"Yemenis need beautiful scenes because they've been disappointed by political life," he told the Yemen Times while he sketched enthusiastically.

"Graffiti is very important for Yemenis because it helps them forget violence and political disputes. It also attracts people's eyes and makes them more comfortable," he said.

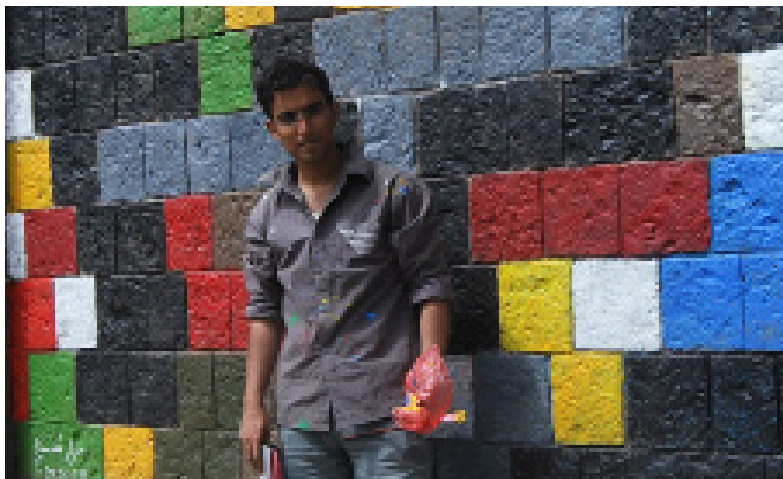
When he started Sobeia faced many difficulties and challenges, but he persisted. "Some people insulted me and described me as insane, while others asked me about my aims in an annoying way."

Sobeia hopes that most walls on the streets of Sana'a will fill with graffiti, describing the streets as bleak and sad.

"This art breathes life into my soul," he said.

Sobeia aspires to widen his activity into other districts in Sana'a and into other governorates. "I will seriously attempt to spread this kind of art among Yemenis, and replace the scenes of damage with colors and beauty," he said.

Sobeia has been creating art since 2001. He is also interested in sports and has competed in various judo and taekwondo championships, earning himself a black belt.



## An iPhone helps rescue two-year old boy in China

Emergency services were called in a village near China's Mengzi City after a child was heard by passers crying from the bottom of a narrow 12-meter-deep dry well.

The rescue attempt got off to a worrying start as the young boy kept slipping out of rescue harnesses that were designed for adults.

But in a twist of ingenuity, the team lowered an Apple iPhone with a video camera into the 30-centimeter-wide well, allowing them to better see the boy's position.

The close-up recordings were used to safely position the straps around his small body, which al-



lowed the rescue team to pull the distressed child out of the well.

The young child was lifted out of the well after 10pm local time (12.00 GMT) on Saturday night,

and rushed to a nearby hospital. The boy was not seriously hurt, but had incurred some bruises.

Source: alarabiya.net

## Google's self-driving car allows the blind to get behind the wheels

Web giant Google has created a self-driving car it claims will enable blind people to drive, according to a Daily Mail report this week.

The vehicle, which has already been taken for a test drive by a blind driver in a video released online, takes over nearly all the functions of the car currently controlled by humans.

The move has marked a landmark step in the Google project which has been several years in the making, and was officially unveiled in October 2010.

The video released earlier this week shows Steve Mahan, dubbed "Self-Driving Car User 0000000001," using the car to carry out his daily routine.

"Mr. Mahan, who is 95 per cent blind, drives to buy a taco and pick up dry-cleaning - activities which may seem humdrum, but which are shut off to many blind people who



do not have a companion or carer to accompany them," the newspaper reported.

Although a lot more needs to be done before the cars can hit the road without the direct supervision of Google engineers, many have hailed it a success for the internet giant.

"The concept of it is pretty awesome," Eric Bridges, a spokesman for the American Council of the Blind, told Fox News.

"They're helping to change the world in a lot of ways," Bridges added.

In the video, Mahan's test drive leaves him clearly pleased with the vehicle as he jokes: "Look ma, no hands... and no feet!"

At the end of the journey, he tells his passengers: "You guys get out, I've got places I have to go."

Source: alarabiya.net

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