

*In a report entitled "Rule of law sidelined in the name of security"*

## AI slams Yemen's human rights violations

BY YEMEN TIMES STAFF

Sana'a, September 24 - In its recent report published about the human rights record in Yemen, Amnesty International (AI), an international organization supporting human rights and liberties, slammed and heavily criticized the record of human rights in Yemen since 9<sup>th</sup> of September 2001.

**Arbitrary detentions condemned**  
The AI report criticized the ongoing detention of tens of citizens for so called security reasons during the last two years. AI's report said that the case of those detainees "reflects a significant regression in the government's human rights policy and practice since the 11 September 2001 attacks on the US."

The 30-page report concentrated on the negative practices by the government in arbitrary arresting and detaining Yemeni citizens without any evidence of their involvement in any illegal acts.

Yemen's progress witnessed in the years before 2001 is today "threatened by the changes in regional and world politics brought about by the 11 September 2001 attacks on the US. The government's security policies adopted in the wake of 11 September events represent a serious setback to its previous progressive undertakings and a further drift away from its obligations under international human rights

treaties" the report said.

### Human rights violations reported

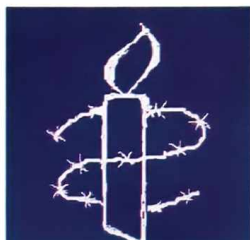
The AI report also mentioned the uncommunicated detention and allegations of torture and ill-treatment, the indefinite detention without charge or trial, the secret and forcible deportation of foreign nationals, the harassment and detention of journalists, the climate of fear caused to the civil society, and justifications given by the government and the USA's role in them. The report added that all of those acts represent a severe setback in Yemen's human rights record, which suffered severely in the last two years.

### USA blamed

Amnesty International blamed the US policy in the region for part of the human rights violations that took place in Yemen during the last two years. "Amnesty International believes that the US Government's security policy towards Yemen has also played a significant role in the deterioration of the human rights situation in the country." The report went to the extent of accusing the USA for carrying out "apparent extrajudicial killings in Yemen", referring the drone attack on a car in Mareb, killing one of the suspects wanted along with his companions.

### Yemen's government advised

The report warned the government



of Yemen that it can not be exonerated for the human rights violations which have occurred and continue to occur in the country since 11 September 2001. It also advised the government not to continue carrying out mass arbitrary arrest, detention, and deportations that continue until date.

"More than 200 people, many of them arrested nearly two years ago, continue to be detained without charge or trial and denied access to lawyers or the courts to seek justice," the report remarked.

In conclusion, the organization expressed its grave concern about the Yemeni Government's actions in sidelining the rule of law and its human rights obligations in the name of "fighting terrorism" and "national security".

Furthermore, the government was criticized for giving the green light to the security forces, particularly the Political Security Office (PSO), to act with impunity in total disregard for the

law and the role of the judiciary.

"What is more disturbing about these human rights violations is that they are being carried out as a deliberate policy by the government" the report said.

### No acceptable justification

However, AI did not agree on the rationale presented to Amnesty International for this situation by the authorities in Yemen in that the government had no option but to break its own laws and its international human rights obligations in order to "fight terrorism" and contain the risks of a US military attack against Yemen.

The report added that "Amnesty International believes that sacrificing human rights can never be the solution."

### Pressure on Yemen and USA wanted

AI said that the international com-



Yemeni military police pull a man off the street for questioning in Sana'a. Tens of Yemenis have been detained since 9 September 2001 in suspicion of links to terrorist organizations. However, most of them were never referred to any judicial process and are held totally at the mercy of the government and security forces because the rule of law has been sidelined, according to Amnesty international. Reuters

munity should exert pressure on Yemen

and the USA to ensure that their security cooperation is not purchased at the expense of human rights and urge them to take immediate steps to restore the rule of law and the human rights of the detainees held both in Yemen and in

Guantanamo Bay.

"Amnesty International urges the international community to bring pressure on the Governments of Yemen and the US to address the human rights violations documented in this report," the report concluded.

## Al-Qaeda puts hard conditions to cease operations

BY MOHAMMED AL-QADHI  
YEMEN TIMES STAFF

Al-Qaeda organization branch in Yemen stipulated some major conditions to end up its military operations against foreign interests in Yemen, including the withdrawal of Yemen from the international coalition of the war on terrorism, stop hunting down for suspected al-Qaeda militants as well releasing their fellow colleagues in jails. It also puts the condition that Yemen should not permit any foreign military forces to come to Yemen and that it should also terminate its military cooperation with the US. Another condition is that the Yemeni government should not in any way extradite any Muslim citizen of any nationality to another country and that Quranic and other religious schools as well as charitable societies should not be put into trouble by the state. It also dictates

there must be a control on the institutions of moral and ethical perversion and that foreigners coming into the country should be informed to abide by the laws, morality and traditions of the country.

In a press statement of which Yemen Times got a copy, al-Qaeda said "in a response to the call of President's Ali Abdullah Saleh to repent and cease all acts against foreign interests, we are ready to accept the offer honestly and fairly."

According to the statement, al-Qaeda stipulates for dialogue and negotiation with the government that one hundred persons of clerics, tribal Sheikhs, political and social dignitaries should be witness on such a move and agreement between the two sides. The statement strongly denied information on agreement between some of al-Qaeda militants in jail and the clerics committee set by president to convince

prisoners to give up their extremist and fanatic attitudes and views. It described such information circulated by state media as "lies and nonsense talk that aim to tarnish the image of al-Qaeda in Yemen," pointing out in a cynical manner that political regime in Yemen as trying to shrug off its shoulders, showing itself as victorious in the war on and being able to extend its experience in this regard to foreign countries, resisted the influence and interventions of the Americans in the internal and mainly more sensitive affairs posted by their embassy and ambassador in Sana'a. It clearly said that al-Qaeda has never conducted contacts or dialogues with the committee. The statement said these conditions are directed to the president in person and if the government abides by them and to avoid embroiling the country into the turmoil of turbulence and accordingly more losses and insecurity and

instability, there will be an end to targeting foreign interests in the country. It warned against fallback on the part of the government to fulfill the minutes of the agreement or even falsity.

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## In a memo sent to President Ali Abdullah Saleh: 40 companies oppose monopoly of Yemen's IT sector

BY YEMEN TIMES STAFF

Sana'a, September 22 - In a letter sent to the President of the Republic of Yemen, Ali Abdullah Saleh, forty major Information Technology (IT) and computer companies operating in Yemen have expressed their total opposition to the monopoly of the IT sector in Yemen at any cost. The letter came as a result of an offer to the Yemeni government by a company

called 'Al-Basair' to monopolize all IT-related services, machinery, and training for 25 years.

The 40 companies said, "In the Al-Basair Company offer, the company wishes to totally monopolize the country's IT sector and its infrastructure. This contradicts all Yemeni regulations encouraging investment and regulating the state's projects. The company's offer terminates all large, medium, and small-scale IT business-

es and disagrees with the theme of allowing various companies and sources to provide their services to the Yemeni government based on international trade agreements."

All 40 companies representatives have stressed that they are confident that the President will reject the offer in order to "establish a just competition atmosphere while enforcing the law."

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**700 female students expelled****Parents appeal to the Capital Secretary**

Sana'a, September 23 - Parents of more than 700 high school female students gathered on Sunday at Bint al-Harith School in al-Qadesia district in Sana'a to protest the expulsion of their daughters from the school.

The parents said the Capital Secretary Mr. Ahmed al-Kuhlani, was behind the expulsion which they claim was unjustified.

Some parents pleaded to have the girls return as they do not have any other alternative especially as other public schools are far away from the area. Some have even said they would even-

tually have to prevent their daughters from continuing their education if they are not taken back to school.

However, the school administration said that the Bint Al-Harith School has 17 classes besides offices and laboratories that can indeed contain the 700 expelled students.

"At least for the sake of the 26 September anniversary coinciding this week, let our students go back to school," one mother pleaded to al-Kuhlani. "After all, didn't our revolution come to end illiteracy, why are we being dragged to it again?" she asked.



Capital Secretary Ahmed Al-Kuhlani

**Yemen-Qatar cooperation enhanced**

By Yasser Al-Mayyasi  
Yemen Times Staff

Sana'a, September 24 - The visit of a Yemeni delegation headed by Prime Minister Abdulqadir Ba Jammal to Qatar during the period 22-23 September has resulted in a number of cooperation agreements in many fields, among them oil and gas.

During the delegation stay Yemeni and Qatari exchanged ideas on means

of cooperation in fishery, industry, and production of oil products. Furthermore, cooperation in scientific research and environmental studies was also discussed.

The Yemeni delegation to Qatar included experts and technicians from the ministry of oil and mineral resources to get acquainted with developments in oil industry experiment of Qatar.

However, the visit also focused on

the democratic experience of Qatar especially in the freedom of the media and in particular the successful example of Al-Jazeera Satellite Channel.

It is worth noting that Qatar pledged to assist Yemen with USD 90 million in the field of economic development, especially in construction of roads, whose designs and studies were presented to the government of Qatar during the visit.

**Social integration workshop held in Taiz**

Taiz, September 24 - Twenty teachers and social experts representing 14 schools in the city of Taiz participated in a workshop organized by Dia during 22-23 September for teachers and social experts in the field of social integration of public students in the new academic year.

The 2-day workshop included the-

oretical and practical lessons, discussions, and field visits to the Amal area near Al-Jahla market place.

Mr. Amin Al-Dubai, in charge of social activities in Dia said that the workshop included a number of activities that aimed at enhancing performance of teachers and raising

their awareness of the importance of social integration of new students.

The workshop was also attended by Mr. Shawqi Al-Qadhi, Member of Parliament, along with Ahmed Al-Wajeeh, Manager of the education office in Taiz and Dr. Aneesa Dawkam, expert in psychology at Taiz University.

Sana'a, Sept. 23- According to a report presented by the General Electricity Authority, unpaid bills for the period from January to June 2003. All unpaid bills mentioned in the report were of offices belonging to the

government has reached more than YR 14.1 billion.

The report pointed out that the consumption of electricity witnessed an increase of more than 13.8% during the first half of this year alone.

**Teachers start a labor strike in Taiz**

Taiz, September 23 - Tens of teachers in Taiz protested the latest decision taken by the government concerning the transfer of teachers by launching a massive labor strike and repeating the "stay at home" slogan, which is now circulated in local opposition newspapers as well.

Teachers claim that the latest decisions to transfer teachers to schools far away from their homes contradict to

ministerial decree number 646, which says that teachers have the right to select schools that are closer to their residence according to health, age, and economic factors.

Protesting teachers said that the protest will continue until the ministry delays or cancels its decisions on the transfer of teachers from their current schools to new ones away from their residences.

**Chinese-Yemeni cooperation promoted**

Sana'a, Sept. 23 - Dr. Mohammed Yahya Al-No'aimi, Minister of public health and population, met Monday with the Chinese ambassador to Yemen and discussed activation of agreements and cooperation and previous Yemeni request from China to send doctors to work in Yemeni hospitals.

The minister praised the efforts exerted by Chinese doctors working in Yemen, mentioning that the Chinese doctor works here as he is in his coun-

try. The minister gave his directives for removing all hindrances before the Chinese doctors and offering them all facilities.

The two sides also discussed future cooperation in the field of building a special hospital in Yemen by Chinese investors that would offer special medical services. The two sides also discussed other medical projects such as drugs industry and medical supplies in Yemen with a Chinese investment.

**Sana'a Open Tennis Tournament continues**

Sana'a, September 24 - The sixth day of the Sana'a Open Tennis Tournament continued in full swing as Abdulmalik and Shareef Abdulaziz qualified to the next round after winning their doubles game over Khalid and Saeed with a result of 3/6 and null/6.

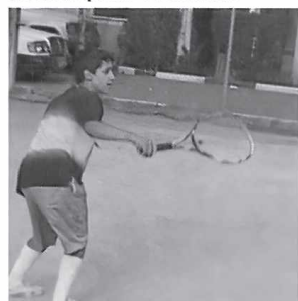
Furthermore, Faisal and Nabeel's double team defeated Walieed and Ismail in three sets with a result of 3/6, 7/6, and 6/7.

In the singles matches, competitions will continue with four players, Ismail, Waleed, Shareef, and Nabeel.

The winners of both the double and single categories and who will be decided in the matches to be held today morning, will be awarded amid the presence of prominent officials of the Ministry of Sports and Youth along with representatives of the Yemeni Tennis Federation.

Refereeing was carried out by Khalid Sanhoob, Ali Al-Radhi, Ali Dhiban, who were all under the supervision of Captain Lutf.

This tournament is being organized under the auspices of Hayer Saeed Anam Group of Companies, which is the main sponsor of the event.

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- Yes, it truly is, and I believe UN should give support 44%
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- No, on the contrary it made me feel that the UN shouldn't be involved. 14%
- I cannot guess. 5%

**LAST EDITION'S****QUESTION:**

Do you think the US government will apologize to Yemen for the recent mistreatment of its delegation?

- Never, we can only dream about it. 44%
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- Yes, they will send a formal and genuine apology. 14%
- I cannot guess. 5%

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**Internet course for Journalists**

Sana'a, Sept. 23- A 5-day course on the use of the Internet's online resources was organized for 30 journalists representing various media organs in the country last Saturday. The course was arranged by National Information Center, which is part of the Presidential office and was established 1995 for the sake of building a complete and integral national information system database.

Journalists that participated in the course were given lessons in the area of Internet applications and tools to utilize the largest library in the world (the World Wide Web) to obtain information and communicate with others using email.

**YR 14 billion unpaid govt. electricity bills****The Embassy of United States of America announces for an immediate jobs opening within its organization.****"Purchasing Agent"**

The position is located in the Procurement Section, of the General Services Office, American embassy, under the immediate supervision of the Purchasing Agent and the general supervision of the A.GSO. Employee will be responsible for performing purchasing duties mainly of items purchased "off the shelf" and in addition to performing general clerical duties.

**Desired Qualifications**

**Education:** completion of secondary school is required.

**Prior Work Experience:** One and one-half years of purchasing and related clerical experience, of which at least one year should be in the purchasing area is required.

**Language Proficiency:** Level III English ability (good working knowledge) is required.

**Knowledge:** Good working knowledge of DOS procurement procedures, regulation and instructions. Must have good knowledge of local market practices and suppliers.

**Skills:** Level I typing ability is desired.

**Grade/Salary:** \*EFM/MOH/Non Ordinarily Resident: FP-9 (to be confirmed by Washington)

\* Ordinarily Resident: FSN-5

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The position is located in the Procurement Section, of the General Services Office, American Embassy, under the immediate supervision of the Purchasing Agent and the general supervision of the A/GSO. Employee will be responsible for providing general clerical and typing support and other purchasing duties assigned by the supervisor.

**Desired Qualifications**

**Education:** Completion of secondary school is required.

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**Note:** All ordinarily resident applicants must be residing in country and have the required work and residency permits to be eligible for consideration.

**Republic of Yemen**  
**Ministry of Public Health and Population**  
**Health Reform Support Project (HRSP)**

**Request for Expression of Interest**  
**Engineering Project Management Service**

This request for expressions of interest follows the general procurement notice for Health Reform Support Project that appeared in United Nations Development Business (UNDB) issue No.607 dated 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003, Al-Thawra Newspaper issue No.13944 dated 28<sup>th</sup> May 2003, and Yemen Times issue No. 641 dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2003.

The Government of Republic Yemen has received a credit from the International Development Association (IDA), and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments under the contract for engineering project management services.

The services includes providing engineering project management services in coordination with the engineering department of the Ministry of Public health and Population for the rehabilitation and extensions works of a total of 8 district hospitals and 16 health centers. Phase I of the project will target 4 districts hospitals and around 8 health centers in 4 districts. The selected districts in phase I of the project are Bajil and Bayt Al-Faqeeh in Al-Hodeidah governorate, and Al-Haima Al-Dakhiliya and Al-Jabeen in Sana'a Governorate. The second phase will target another 4 district hospitals and around 8 health centers in 4 districts within 2 governorates. The contract for the second phase could be renewed based on the firm's performance. The scope of work includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Engineering Project Management Services (EPMS) to the rehabilitation including extension works and medical equipment that will be financed under HRSP in 4 districts (Bajil and Bayt Al-Faqeeh in Al-Hodeidah Governorate and Al-Haima Al-Dakhiliya and al-Jabeen in Sana'a governorate).
2. Capacity building and technical assistance to the engineering department of the MOPHP at the central and governorate level in the implementation of the HRSP.

The Ministry of Public Health and Population, through the Health Reform Support Project now invites eligible consultants to express their interest in providing the services.

Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the world Bank's Guideline: *Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers*, January 1997 (revised September 1997, January 1999 and May 2000).

Interested consultants may obtain further information from the address below during office hours from Saturday to Wednesday.

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## YDF holds training session on capacity building

Sana'a, September 23- Part of its initiatives to activate civil society organizations, the Yemeni Development Foundation has successfully completed a 2-day training session on capacity building for a number of Yemeni organizations in Sana'a. The course entitled, "Writing effective reports, importance of participation, learning, work, and the logical structure of projects" was held during 21-22 September.

During the opening session, Mr. Mohammed Al-Masyabi, the founder and chairman of YDF welcomed the participants representing the ministry of planning and development, a number of NGOs, and welfare association

and inaugurated the event by giving a speech on the foundation's activities in Yemen and in the United Kingdom.

The lectures of the session were then given by Dr. R. Carman, the research and development manager at YDF, and a former instructor and researcher at the University of Manchester.

The objectives of the training course were focused on training participants how to write effective proposals and reports to donors and concerned bodies, activating participants' role in learning, work, and successful organization, and informing them about means to establish logical structures and hierarchy for better planning, supervision, and evaluation of projects.

RIDWAN AL-SAQQAF  
YT ADEN BUREAU CHIEF

Aden, 24 Sept.- The second Arab forum for world specifications for Arab universities concluded its meetings in Aden on Wednesday. The forum had discussed over two days a number of premises among them university administration and contemporary challenges and the role of university performance.

The Arab organisation for administrative development had Tuesday opened the forum under auspices of the Yemeni minister of higher education Dr Abdulwahab Raweh and in coordination with the university of

Aden.

A number of academic leaders in Arab universities, representing Jordan, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Palestine, Lebanon, Libya, Egypt and Yemen had participated in the meetings. Also attending the meetings were deputy minister of higher education Dr Mohammed Yahya Mutahar, Dr Mohammed bin Ibrahim Al-Tuwaijari the director general of the Arab organisation for administrative development, Dr Mohammed al-Tamamna the director of research and studies and general coordinator of the

forum, president of Aden university Dr Abdulkareem Yahya, a number of professors, presidents of universities and directors general of the ministries in Aden governorate.

The addresses delivered at the forum had pointed out the importance of its convening in the city of Aden, the city of civilization and history.

Convening of the forum came in response to the essential and growing role of universities in qualification of human resources in a world characterized by speedy changes and the universities contribution to Arab eco-

nomie and social development. Arab universities have also participated in diagnosing problems of the society and developing scientific research in the manner serving national goals.

A press conference was then held at Aden university where Mr al-Tuwaijari, Dr al-Tamamna and Dr Abdulkareem Raseie president of Aden university had talked to media men on the organization's activities and future ambitions for creating a distinguished university cadre according to university specifications.

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## Al-Qaeda puts hard conditions to cease its operations

In addition, the statement stressed that this move is not at all a signal of setback or fallback to go on the right path but al-Qaeda has taken "this strategic decision after deep study and to achieve legal goals represented by the conditions." At the same time, it praised the stands of the president, describing him as the only Arab and Muslim leader who is not an agent for the West or the East but it reminds him that he should not be

misled by his "bad cronies and coward clerics."

The statement has recalled the attacks on the US, highly praising Osama Bin Laden and his fellow guys from many countries including Yemen who faced "the enemy" and were able to put down the US which, according to the statement was planning to do what it is doing now.

In his comment on the statement and conditions, Judge Hamoud al-

Hitar, head of the committee conducting dialogues with extremists, said that some of these conditions can not be negotiated at all, mainly those calling for the withdrawal of Yemen from international coalition fighting terrorism and extradition of citizens in accordance with international treaties. He said that nothing has been done with regards to these conditions some of which, according to al-Hitar, are negotiable.

## 40 companies oppose monopoly of Yemen's IT sector

The letter also included the final conclusion of a committee set by the Ministry of Communications to study the offer. "We agree with the opinion of the experts who carried out the study in that it will be against Yemen's interests to accept the offer," the companies' representatives said.

It is worth noting that the Dubai-

based Al-Basair company proposed to exclusively take over all investment, development, design, construction, management, and maintenance of all equipment and software needed to save, document, operate, protect, coordinate, exchange, and transfer electronic information in its various forms for commercial investments.

The offer includes the condition of exclusivity for 25 years, during which the government would guarantee that the project will be safe and all facilities will be provided to have it implemented. Another condition was to prevent any governmental or non-governmental entity to interfere in the administration of the project.

## WFRT's workshop on physical education

Sanaa, September 23 - The Women's Forum for Research and Training will be holding next Monday during 29-30 September a workshop entitled "Education for the sake of democratic citizenship" in Sanaa.

Ms. Suad al-Qadsi told Yemen Times that the "workshop, which is

organized by WFRT in cooperating with the Canadian Development Program for Local Initiatives aims at creating a public opinion to support physical education among various other issues and find suitable formulas to have this essential topic within the educational curriculum."

Dr. Abdul-Salam al-Joufi, Minister

of Education, along with a number of interested bodies is expected to attend the workshop in which a number of professors will present six working papers related to the topic of the workshop.

The event targets female teachers and headmistresses in the field of social sciences from different areas.

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# September – October



# Parliamentary committee visits prisons in Taiz

BY FAROUQ MOQBIL  
YEMEN TIMES STAFF,  
TAIZ

September 24 - In order to inspect conditions of jails in Taiz governorate and bring solutions to common problems faced by prisons, the parliament-

They also distributed papers and forms to be filled by the prisoners and administrations of the prisons. The information requested from prisoners was focused on the sex of the prisoners, their charges, sentences and the periods spent so far.

Upon the completion of the visit, the

posed to raise those amounts and have them released.

## Financial issues

Mohammed Rashad Al Alimi, one of the members of the committee and head of the Taiz committee delegation said, "We have come to conclude that many

also a member of the committee said that many problems observed were not related to prison administration, but rather the judicial system through which sentences could be pending or undecided for years. He said the committee is committed to submit the report that includes all those problems.

## Inhuman solitude prisons

On Sunday, 21 September, the committee also visited the Taiz Crime investigations bureau and met with its administration and staffers. The committee members expressed their concern about the six solitude prisons, which are a major source of agony for prison cells in the city. However, the administration said that the prison cells are never used any more. However, citizens in the city expressed fear that they may be used again. The committee members stressed that they should be demolished as they are supposed to be illegal in a country that strives for democracy and human rights, especially as they were only used before unification and should be illegal in today's Yemen.

Hundreds of files concerning human rights violations in Taiz were raised to the committee, including an outrageous case of a prisoner, Wahid Ali Mohammed, who has been in prison for three years in the central prison of Turba, a town 100 km south of Taiz City, for the crime of breaking a car

window. He was also obliged to pay YR 22,000 in compensation.

The committee members have come to conclude that tens of thousands of rials were paid to hold symposiums, seminars, and other activities that did not have any positive effect whatsoever on the status of prisons and prisoners in Taiz governorate.

Around 150 Ethiopians were also found in the central prison of Taiz. Among them were 40 women neglected with no reference to go to. Most of those Ethiopians end up in Yemeni prisons after coming into the country through illegal means with the hope of

using the country as a first stop before reaching Saudi Arabia where they dreamed of a happy future. They arrived to Taiz with no identity, money, or clothes.

Prisoners visited by the committee have expressed hope in that the committee members will be able to deliver the true bitter picture as they saw it so as to bring solutions quickly.

Ahmed Aydhya, another community member said that the visit was quite helpful in getting a clear idea of what the conditions truly are. "We guarantee to deliver the facts as they are, and let Yemenis know the truth," he said.



Mohammed Rashad Al Alimi



Ahmed Aydhya



Abdullah Assara



Shawqi al-Qadhi

tary committee for human rights and freedoms paid a 3-day visit to a number of prisons in Taiz last week.

## Touring prisons

The committee members, who included Mr. Mohammed Rashad Al Alimi, Shawqi Al-Qadhi, Mohamed Al-Arhabi, Abdullah Al-Ghader, Ahmed Aidha, and the committee's general manager Abdullah Al-Sara visited security stations, crime investigation bureaus, central prisons of Taiz and Turba. The team inspected prison cells and health conditions of every prisoner.

committee is expected to submit a full report about the prisons based on what they saw to the parliament. Among the main problems observed was the lack of enough space to have large numbers of prisoners, shortage of health services, shortage in food and water, lack of rehabilitation programs needed for prisoners about to leave prison, so they could be integrated once again to the community.

There were cases of prisoners who could have been released earlier if they had a certain amount of money to be paid as wergild. The committee pro-

of the prisoners we saw were kept far beyond their period of sentence because they couldn't pay amounts due." He added that the committee members were shocked to realize that the amounts, needed to have them released, were not that significant.

As for the prisoners who needed to pay high wergilds before they can be released, the committee said it would discuss their issue and try to come up with appropriate solutions, possibly by raising funds with the help of international human rights organizations.

On his part, Mr. Shawqi Al-Qadhi,



Tough questions asked by the parliamentary committee during the visit



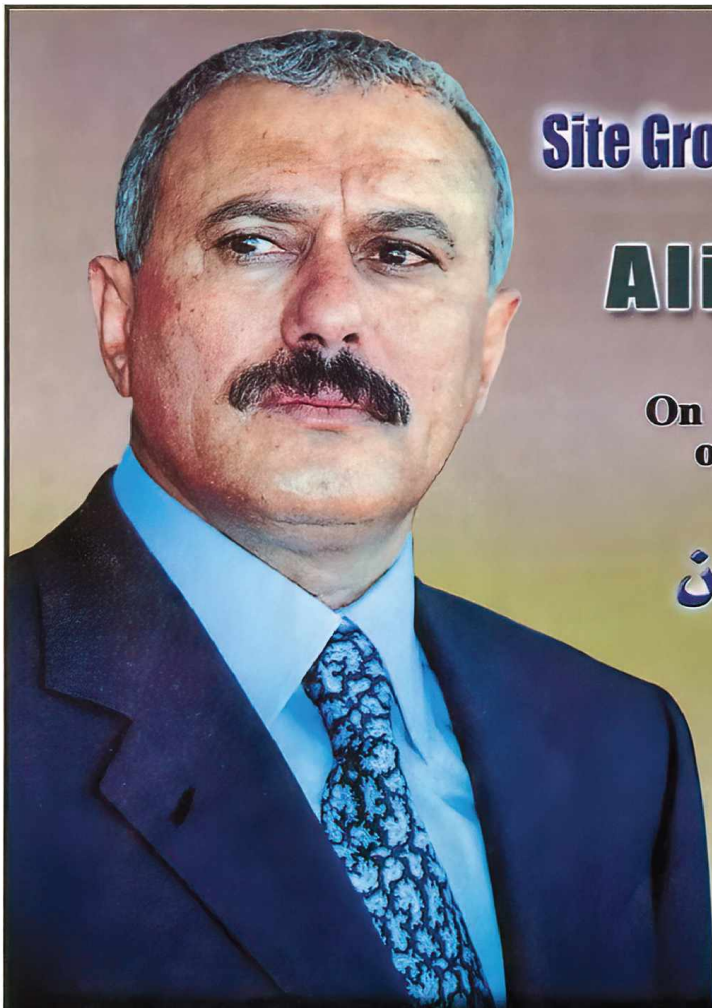
(L-R) Imad Al-Saqqaf of Yemen Times and member of the committee Shawqi Al-Qadhi inspecting the investigation bureau.



Members of the committee visiting the one of the prisons' administrations



Group photo of some of the committee members with Imad Al-Saqqaf



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## Population in Jewish settlements up 5.7 pct

JERUSALEM, Sept 23 (Reuters) - Jewish settlement population in the West Bank and Gaza Strip grew by 5.7 percent last year, government figures showed on Tuesday, despite U.S. pressure to halt building on land where Palestinians seek their own state.

The number of settlers living on occupied land increased to 220,100 in 2002 from 208,200 at the end of 2001, even as violence raged in a Palestinian uprising for independence that began in September 2000 when peace talks failed.

The new figures reflected a continued upward trend in movement to the settlements that saw population grow by five

pct in 2001. Overall, Israel's Jewish population grew by 1.4 percent in 2002 to 5.1 million.

The international community considers the settlements illegal. Israel disputes this. The U.S.-backed road map, now stalled by a cycle of violence, calls on Israel to freeze settlement construction.

The comparatively high growth rate is in part due to the high birth rate of religious and ultra-Orthodox couples who make up a large part of the population, a government official said.

Births accounted for 3.1 percent of the 5.7 percent growth among the settlers, primarily aged 20 to 40, a Central Bureau of Statistics' official said, with

2.6 percent of the growth coming from newcomers to settlements.

Israel says it reserves the right to build in settlements to accommodate what it calls "natural growth", but Palestinians say any construction there hurts peace-making efforts.

The Bureau said 14,600 Israelis moved in and 10,600 moved out of the settlements last year. The enclaves are built on land Israel captured in the 1967 Arab-Israeli war and which Palestinians seek for their independent state.

According to Interior Ministry numbers released in July, an additional 5,400 Israelis had moved to the settlements since the beginning of 2003.

## Saudi policeman, three militants dead in shootout-TV

RIYADH, Sept 23 (Reuters) - At least one Saudi policeman and three militants were killed on Tuesday in a shootout at a hospital compound in the south of the kingdom, the latest in a series of clashes involving suspected al Qaeda members.

An Interior Ministry statement read out on state television said five militants were involved in the incident, in which four other policemen were slightly wounded, in Jizan province near the border with Yemen.

"Two of the terrorists surrendered while three of them were killed," the statement said.

"They were intending to carry out terrorist operations and were armed with machine guns and hand grenades. They were asked to surrender but started firing at security forces," it added.

Police have had bloody clashes with militants since Riyadh intensified its crackdown on Muslim militants following the May suicide bombings in the capital Riyadh which killed 35 people, including nine Americans.

A Saudi official had earlier told Reuters that at least two policemen were killed in the clash at a residential compound at King Fahd hospital. He said the gunmen had taken hostages but that the hostages were freed unharmed.

Another Saudi official said it was not clear whether the gunmen had forced people to stay in the hospital or whether these civilians merely took shelter there from the gunfire.

The official said that a Saudi national who was on a wanted list of 19 al Qaeda suspects was among those

arrested.

The list was issued in early May shortly before the Riyadh bombings, which are blamed on Osama bin Laden's al Qaeda network. More than 200 people have been arrested in the crackdown and large caches of weapons have been seized.

The poor mountainous Jizan province is a stronghold for Islamist militants and is also notorious for arms smuggling.

Jizan is home to some of the 15 Saudi hijackers in the September 11, 2001 attacks on the United States, which bin Laden has implied al Qaeda was responsible for.

Saudi Arabia, the birthplace of bin Laden, is under intense pressure by the United States to fight terror and destroy al Qaeda cells.

## Baghdad UN staff await Annan's decision on future

BAGHDAD, Sept 23 (Reuters) - United Nations staff said on Tuesday they were waiting to hear from Secretary General Kofi Annan about the future of operations in Iraq after a suicide car bomb attack near the U.N.'s Baghdad compound.

The attack on Monday, which killed an Iraqi security official and the driver of the car, was the second on the United Nations in Baghdad in just over a month. In August, a car bomb killed 22 people, including the U.N.'s top envoy in Iraq.

A U.N. spokeswoman in Baghdad said staff been told they need not come to work but many had done so on Tuesday.

"Until a decision is made by Annan we can stay at home, but many staff have come to continue working," Khansa Hussein said. "We are still waiting for a decision from New York. Nothing has been decided until now."

She said security had been stepped up another notch. Many international U.N. staff pulled out of Iraq after the first attack, but U.N. officials said there were still more than 3,000 staff, both Iraqi and international, in Iraq.

IRAQIS ARRESTED BY U.S. ARMY SOLDIERS SIT ON THE GROUND NEAR THE FLASHPOINT TOWN OF FALLUJA, WEST OF BAGHDAD. Iraqis arrested by U.S. army soldiers sit on the ground near the flashpoint town of Falluja, west of Baghdad September 23. U.S. forces in Iraq killed three people on Tuesday in a raid in the early hours in a village near Falluja locals and hospital officials said.



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## Ex-general in court for 1984 Indonesia rights trial

JAKARTA, Sept 23 (Reuters) - Indonesian prosecutors brought to court on Tuesday a retired two-star general they accused of committing gross human rights violations related to a massacre of Muslim activists in northern Jakarta almost two decades ago.

The Jakarta human rights court started hearing cases against suspects in the 1984 Tanjung Priok incident earlier this month, but Tuesday's appearance by Major-General Pranowo was the first by such a high ranking officer.

According to the prosecution, government forces killed at least 23 people when they tried to disperse a rally against restrictions on practising several Islamic rituals at that time.

"The defendant locked up 169 people in cramped and dark cells for up to 15 days

without any warrant," said state prosecutor Roesmanadi.

"Many could not move their bodies and became paralysed. The defendant also did not control his men who tortured the captives."

Pranowo, 62, denies the charges.

"None of his men did the accused things. No court has proved they did. He did not touch them. So the accusations were unrealistic and fictitious," said lawyer Yan Juanda.

Pranowo was a colonel heading the Jakarta military command's military police at that time. Prosecutors have also implicated two other generals in the case, including the current head of the Indonesian army's special forces.

Juanda, who also represents the other generals, said none of his clients authorised orders that prompted the bloodletting and

said if their men had to shoot it was in "self defence".

Muslim activists in Indonesia often use the Tanjung Priok case as an example of how far authorities could go in repressing their movements.

For 32 years until 1998, authoritarian president Suharto eliminated signs of dissent with an iron fist. His rule ended amid social unrest and mass rallies seeking his ouster.

The Tanjung Priok incident is the second case being brought to an Indonesian human rights court with the power to try generals over alleged past crimes.

The first case was over the 1999 atrocities in East Timor. Ordinary Indonesian civil courts have limited retroactive power or jurisdiction to try members of the military.

## Thousands of refugees flee Liberia for Guinea

GENEVA, Sept 23 (Reuters) - Some 4,500 Liberian refugees have fled to Guinea's southern forest region in the past 10 days to escape continued fighting and instability in the West African state, the U.N. refugee agency (UNHCR) said on Tuesday.

Despite an official ceasefire and the setting up of a transitional government, there is still fighting in much of Liberia, the agency said.

More refugees are on the way to neighbouring Guinea, most of them women, children and elderly people,

who are reported to be in dire need of food and medicines, the agency added.

It said many of those fleeing were from the Loma ethnic group, who feared reprisals after government troops withdrew from their areas and rebels from the Liberians United for Reconciliation and Democracy announced they were moving in.

"The fact that Liberians continue to flee is very worrying. Many areas in Liberia are still very insecure...making it all the more urgent that peacekeepers be deployed throughout the

country as soon as possible," the agency said in a statement.

A 3,500-strong West African force is in Liberia but it operates mainly in the towns and cities. The United Nations has approved the sending of a further 15,000 peacekeepers, but they are unlikely to arrive for months.

Some 200,000 people died in 14 years of almost uninterrupted fighting in Liberia that began when former President Charles Taylor launched a rebellion in 1989. Taylor went into exile in Nigeria in August as part of a peace deal.

## Indonesia wants to see students held in Pakistan

KARACHI, Sept 23 (Reuters) - An Indonesian diplomat said on Tuesday his country had asked Pakistan for access to two nationals who were among 15 Southeast Asian religious students detained over accusations of links to Islamic extremists.

Pakistani officials said a brother of Hambali, an Islamic militant accused of masterminding bombings in Southeast Asia and of being al Qaeda's key regional contact, was among the students detained over the weekend in the main port city of Karachi.

But Indonesia's acting consul general in Karachi, Temu Alam, told Reuters his country was still not sure if a brother of Hambali was among those held.

Private Indonesian television station SCTV said on its Web site a detained Indonesian student identified as Gun Gun Gunawan was the younger brother of Riduan Isamuddin alias Hambali.

"We don't know yet whether Gun Gun Gunawan is Hambali's brother," Alam said. "We have not yet been given con-

sular access to them."

Pakistani officials detained two persons from Indonesia and 13 from Malaysia in raids on at least two Islamic religious schools.

Hambali, who is in the custody of the United States, is accused of masterminding attacks in the region including the bombings in Bali last year that killed more than 200 people and a car bombing at a luxury Jakarta Hotel in August that killed 12.

He was arrested on August 11 in Thailand by Thai police and U.S. agents before being flown to an undisclosed location.

### No response from Pakistan

Alam said Pakistan had yet to respond to Indonesia's request for access.

An official of Pakistan's Federal Investigation Agency has said the arrests were made at the request of the governments of Indonesia and Malaysia, whose officials were part of the investigations.

Alam said the Indonesian students were

in Pakistan on valid student visas and were picked up from Abu Bakar Islamic University located in the neighbourhood of Gulshan-e-Iqbal.

In Jakarta, Indonesian foreign affairs spokesman Marty Natalegawa told Reuters that Pakistan had notified Indonesia that two Indonesians — Gun Gun Gunawan and Syaifuddin — had been arrested on separate occasions this month.

"We also would like to express concern that up until now we have not received any official statement from the Pakistani authorities allowing us access to both students," said the spokesman, adding that Gunawan was arrested on September 1.

A Malaysian diplomat in Pakistan said the detained students were still being interrogated.

"We are in touch with the local authorities and they are fully cooperating with us," he said by telephone from Islamabad.

"We do not have details about the students, but we know that they came here on valid travel documents and student visas."

## Indonesian envoy will not meet Suu Kyi

YANGON, Sept 23 (Reuters) - Indonesian special envoy Ali Alatas, who held talks with Myanmar's top military leader on Tuesday, will not meet detained opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi while she is still recovering from surgery.

Suu Kyi, 58, was doing well at a private Yangon hospital, but her doctor has ruled out visitors while she rests, Western diplomats said on Tuesday.

Alatas arrived in Myanmar on Sunday seeking to persuade the military government to release the 1991 Nobel peace laureate who had been held at a secret location for more than three months despite international outrage and concern for her health.

Alatas, a former foreign minister, said on Monday he had asked to see Suu Kyi, who underwent surgery for unspecified gynaecological problems last week.

"He will not see her," an Indonesian diplomat told Reuters after Alatas met General Than Shwe, the chairman of Myanmar's ruling military council.

The diplomat gave no details of the one-hour meeting.

Indonesia, current chairman of the 10-member Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN), has made clear it wants Yangon to free the democracy icon before its leaders meet next month in Bali.

In June, it gave Yangon an unprecedented rebuke over Suu Kyi's detention after a bloody clash between her followers and government supporters on May 30.

There has been no confirmation of the nature of the operation on Suu Kyi. Her doctor, Tin Myo Win, briefed a group of Western diplomats on Tuesday, saying only that she was fine and the surgery showed no signs of cancer.

"He can't allow anyone to visit her because of her medical condition. She is recovering and everything is okay," one diplomat told Reuters after the briefing.

Medical sources said Suu Kyi had her uterus removed.

### Annan sends envoy

There has been speculation that the operation may provide a face-saving way out for the military government

before the ASEAN summit on October 7 and 8.

It provides an opportunity to allow Suu Kyi to return to her Yangon home to recover under house arrest, as she has been for more than half of the last 14 years.

Diplomats said Suu Kyi's move could coincide with a visit by U.N. special envoy Razali Ismail, who is due to arrive on September 30 on his 11th mission to the country.

The military council "may not want to deny Razali Ismail access to Aung San Suu Kyi, whom he has met so many times. We think they will move her back home before Razali arrives," one said.

"They may decide to send her home but keep on restricting her movements and access to her."

Myanmar says Suu Kyi is being held for her own protection and has promised to release her when the political temperature cools.

Suu Kyi led her National League for Democracy party to victory in a general election in 1990, but the military blocked the party from taking office.



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## Convicted 9/11 lotter protests innocence in court

HAMBURG, Germany, Sept 23 (Reuters) - The Moroccan man convicted of supporting the September 11 suicide hijackers returned to court on Tuesday to protest his innocence and denounce the case against him.

Mounir El Motassadeq, the only man convicted in connection with the 2001 attacks, appeared in the Hamburg courtroom where he had been sentenced to 15 years in February, to testify in the trial of his friend Abdelghani Mzoudi.

"I've been unfairly sentenced to 15 years in jail," the 29-year-old student said in a tone markedly more bitter than when he was last in court.

Mzoudi, a 30-year-old electrical engineering student, is charged with 3,066 counts of aiding and abetting murder, and membership of the Hamburg-based al Qaeda cell prosecutors say led the attacks on U.S. cities, the same charges Motassadeq faced.

Motassadeq, who shook hands with Mzoudi on his way in and out, denounced the case against him and others accused of helping the hijackers, staring at prosecutors on occasions.

"There was no Hamburg cell," Motassadeq, his beard far longer than seven months ago, said in his brief statement.

Prosecutors say Mzoudi, like Motassadeq, handled money for a plotter, helped cover for the absence of others while they were in Afghanistan or taking flying lessons in the United States, and trained at an al Qaeda camp in Afghanistan himself.

Defence lawyers argue Mzoudi did little more than befriend and help fellow Muslims living abroad and say his paying of student fees and other bills was in no way central to the September 11 plot.

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Motassadeq, who is awaiting the result of an appeal, cited a U.S. congressional report, seemingly the 900-page study released in July, saying the planning and financing of the September 11 attacks took place in Afghanistan, not in Hamburg.

Three of the men who piloted the four hijacked planes lived in Hamburg, including Mohamed Atta, who U.S. officials say led a Hamburg-based al Qaeda cell and crashed the



Moroccan Abdelghani Mzoudi smiles before the 11th session of his trial in a Hamburg court room Sept. 23. REUTERS

first plane into the World Trade Center.

"Atta and the others were let into the planning, which lasted for years, in Afghanistan. I was not part of that," said Motassadeq, who has admitted he trained at a military camp in Afghanistan in 2000.

Legal observers say Motassadeq unwittingly incriminated himself with three days of testimony at the start of his trial.

Mzoudi, whose trial began last month, only read from a short statement and did not refer to any travel or mention any links with hijackers, a strategy Motassadeq followed on Tuesday.

"I believe it makes no sense to talk about details as a wrongful conviction is hanging over me," Motassadeq said. "I won't say anything more."

Germany became a focal point of the hunt for the September 11 plotters after it emerged that three of the men who piloted the suicide flights had been students in Hamburg, keeping a low profile for years among the nation's three million Muslims.

Mzoudi's trial, which could last until early 2004, is expected to hear around 125 witnesses. If convicted Mzoudi too could face 15 years in prison.

## Moscow bans Dalai Lama visit, cites China treaty

MOSCOW, Sept 23 (Reuters) - Russia, fearful of harming warming relations with neighbouring China, on Tuesday turned down a request for Tibet's exiled spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama, to visit Buddhists in the country.

The decision coincided with a visit by Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Kasyanov to China to discuss a new strategic partnership between the former rivals for leadership of the communist world.

"When looking at the question of a visit by the Dalai Lama, we had to take into account all Russia's interests, and strictly follow Russia's international obligations, including our treaty of friendship with China," the Russian foreign ministry said.

"China looks negatively on the Dalai Lama's international activities."

China, which claims Tibet as an inseparable part of its territory, routinely makes strong diplomatic protests to countries which allow the Dalai Lama to visit.

Chinese troops imposed Communist rule on Tibet in 1950 and the Dalai Lama fled nine years later into exile in India, where he now runs a government-in-exile and a non-violent campaign for greater autonomy in his homeland.

China says it has brought unprecedented economic prosperity to Tibet and considers the Dalai Lama, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1989, a dangerous separatist.

Russia has around one million Buddhist citizens, mainly in Siberia

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# OPEC set to keep oil taps on hold ahead of winter

VIENNA, Sept 23 (Reuters) - OPEC oil producers on Tuesday said they would weather a downturn in crude prices by keeping output limits unchanged for the rest of the year.

Ministers arriving for a Wednesday meeting said they saw no need to cut supplies ahead of rising northern hemisphere winter demand.

"Nothing," was Algerian Chakib Khelil's verdict on what action ministers planned.

"There is no big reason or strong reason for change," agreed UAE Oil Minister Obaid bin Saif al-Nasseri.

The Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries sees no need for change despite a \$2 downturn in oil prices in the past two weeks, triggered in part by its own confidence that it requires no supply cut, at least until the first quarter 2004.

That allowed influential hedge fund speculators on the U.S. crude futures market to bet heavily on a fall in prices in the run-up to the meeting, pushing prices to a four-month low.

"OPEC cost themselves at least a dollar a barrel by signalling to the market ahead of time that they weren't going to cut, giving the hedge funds a free ride," said Gary Ross of

New York consultancy PIRA Energy.

U.S. light crude rallied 40 cents to \$27.59 a barrel on Tuesday and an OPEC index of crudes was valued at \$24.82, near the middle of the group's \$22-\$28 target range.

OPEC is facing a bulge of supply from independent producers led by arch-rival Russia, the world's second largest exporter after cartel kingpin Saudi Arabia.

Driven by ambitious oil company growth plans, Russian crude exports for August were up 15 percent from the same month last year at over four million barrels a day.

That means OPEC ministers are likely to call another meeting in December to consider lower first quarter output.

"Of course, we are worried about prices falling next year," said Khelil. "Whenever we've had to maintain prices in our range we have done it."

### NEW IRAQ OIL MINISTER

Iraq's new oil minister Ibrahim Bahr al-Uloom arrived for his country's first post-war OPEC meeting under U.S. occupation saying Baghdad would not require a supply



Iraq's new oil minister Ibrahim Bahr Al-Uloom arrives at a Vienna hotel Sept. 23. OPEC oil ministers gathered for a conference in Vienna on Wednesday. REUTERS

quota yet.

Uloom vowed on his appointment earlier this month to play a constructive role in the cartel, calming concerns about a potential standoff on OPEC quotas when Iraqi starts to exploit its huge reserves and lifts production.

Iraq's failure so far to approach pre-war volumes means it is no threat to OPEC for the time being. Exports of about a million barrels a day this month are less than half pre-war export capacity.

"Oil market's aren't worried about Iraq until they're back to exports of two million," said consultant Yasser Elguindi of Medley Global Advisers. It uses up to 500,000 bpd domestically.

It is not expected that Baghdad will be reintegrated into OPEC's system of supply quotas until it approaches output of some 3.5 million bpd.

Venezuelan Oil Minister Rafael Ramirez was looking for support from fellow OPEC nations for his objections to Iraq holding more than observer status at meetings until an Iraqi government receives formal recognition from the United Nations.

# Annan challenges US doctrine of preventive action

UNITED NATIONS, Sept 23 (Reuters) - U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan warned U.S. President George W. Bush on Tuesday that his doctrine of pre-emptive military intervention posed a fundamental challenge to the United Nations and could lead to the law of the jungle.

In a speech shortly before Bush addressed the U.N. General Assembly, Annan took an unusually blunt swipe at the world's only superpower, delivering his strongest criticism to date on the doctrine of preventive war.

"My concern is that, if it were to be adopted, it could set precedents that resulted in a proliferation of the unilateral and lawless use of force, with or without credible justification," said Annan to sustained applause. He did not mention the United States by name.

Annan spoke as states in the 191-member world body struggled to heal deep rifts caused by the war on Iraq, in which the United States acted without U.N. Security Council approval. He said that regardless of past differences it was vital for everyone to work toward a "stable and democratic Iraq."

But according to Annan, sidestepping the United Nations in waging war against Iraq or elsewhere called into question the entire structure of collective action forged when the United Nations was created out of the ashes of World War Two.

"Excellencies, we have come to a fork in the road," Annan said. "This may be a moment no less decisive than 1945 itself, when the United Nations was founded."

He cautioned against just denouncing unilateralism without trying to understand what motivates countries to feel "uniquely vulnerable" and address those concerns with collective action.

### 'REPRESENTS A FUNDAMENTAL CHALLENGE'

However, he questioned U.S. arguments that nations have the "right and obligation to use force preemptively" against unconventional weapons systems even while they were still being developed and said the U.N. Charter allowed military action for the purpose of self defense.

"But until now it has been understood that when states go beyond that and decide to use force to deal with broader threats to international peace and security, they need the unique legitimacy provided by the United

Nations," he said.

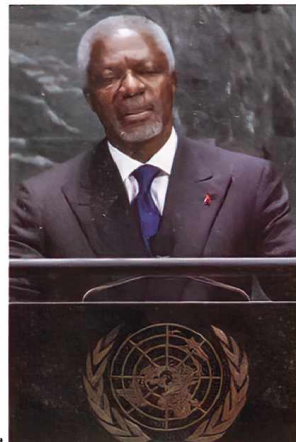
"Now some say this understanding is no longer tenable since an 'armed attack' with weapons of mass destruction could be launched at any time..." said Annan.

"This logic represents a fundamental challenge to the principles, on which, however imperfectly, world peace and stability have rested for the last 58 years," he said.

He said he was establishing a "high-level panel of eminent personalities" to examine current challenges to peace and security and recommend ways the United Nations could reform its institutions.

Annan again berated U.N. members for not being able to agree on an expansion of the Security Council, which has remained nearly the same for 58 years.

"I would respectfully suggest to you, excellencies, that in the eyes of your peoples the difficulties of reaching agreement does not excuse your failure to do so," Annan said.



U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan speaks at the 58th Session of the General Assembly at the United Nations in New York on Sept. 23. REUTERS

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## YT Business



# Mukalla Fish Canning Factory wins Golden Knight Award

By SALEH AL-BASHA  
YEMEN TIMES, AL-MUKALLA

**A**l-Guizi brand for fish, a product of al-Mukalla Factory for Fish Canning enjoyed a splendid reputation within and outside the country. Hence, its winning of the Golden Knight Award for quality and excellent standards came as no surprise. The award, which was presented to Engineer Saleh Mohammed Bahwal, the General Manager of the factory by the International Public Opinion Awards, has shown that national factories can indeed compete internationally. The Factory is considered one of the first in the world in packaging fresh Tuna.

This was not the first award the factory received; in fact it had been awarded a number of valuable international awards including the Golden Medal in Lingurag - Germany Exhibition in 1987 and the industrial excellence prize for industry and agriculture in 2001.

Above all, the brand has won consumers' trust in Yemen and abroad as there is high demand for it in the regional and local markets.

Yemen Times has seized this opportunity and met with Mr. Saleh Bahwal general manager of the factory and filed an interview, which provides Yemen Times readers with information about the factory and its success story.

**Q: Can you tell us about the factory and its objectives?**

A: The Fish Canning Factory was

built in Mukalla in 1979, and today is considered of the oldest in the country. It enjoys expertise and professional experience in producing satisfactory products for customers worldwide. The objective of establishing the factory was to benefit from the huge amount of fish captured during seasons in order to provide decent fish products to the local and regional markets for the season and throughout the year.

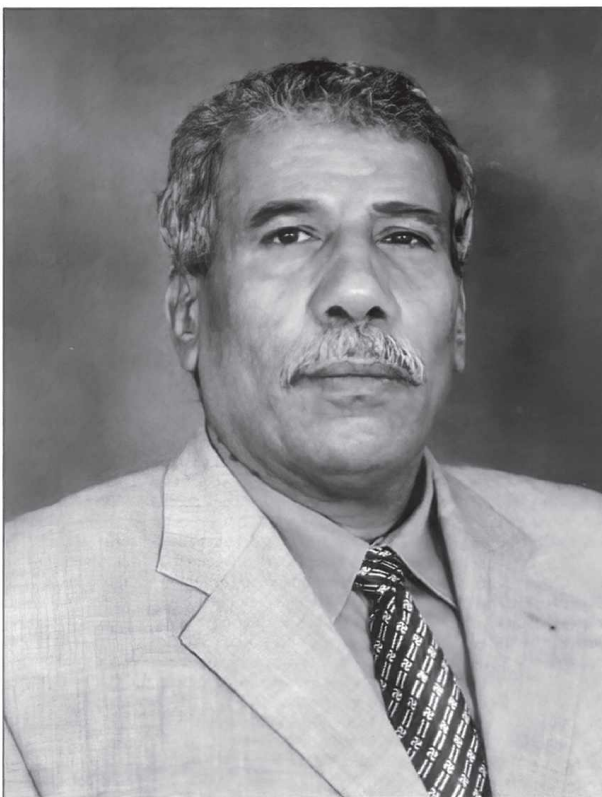
Also through exporting fish products to the region, the factory aims at increasing the state's income in hard currency.

The factory has social objectives as well such as helping fishermen market their products and establish a balance between supply and demand. The factory has substantial manpower reaching 600 workers.

In 1996, the factory witnessed development in operations of the various units. The packaging workshop has become up to international modern standards. There are two operation lines in this unit for Tuna with oil production and preparations are underway to launch a third line for producing Mackerel Cans with a production power of 40 thousand items per shift.

The empty cans production unit was renovated using a French fund where the old machines were replaced with highly advanced French technology, which is now resulting in a production rate of 20 million can per year.

The factory includes a quality monitoring unit where qualified experts supervise the production process and define the required standards for production. The experts conduct physical



Mr. Saleh Mohammed Bahwal

and chemical tests right from the receipt of raw materials (fish/ oil/ metal) and ending by sealing the can, sterilizing and preparing for marketing.

**Q: What are the social activities supported by the factory and how does the factory participate in environmental protection?**

A: The factory carries out many social activities in addition to the fact that it provides a source of living for many of the local people. Among its activities is the support for sports and culture events in the governorate of Hadramout. It participates in funding the blinds' center activities and supports a number of sports clubs and societies and has a hand in the occasional events that take place every now and then.

The factory's management is quite aware of the importance of preserving the environment. Consequently, a section for environmental issues was established. In this section, industrial waste resulting from our factory is eliminated. Garbage is grounded and is transferred into fish-fodder used as chicken food and as fertilizers.

**Q: Can you give us some statistics about the current production and the market rate as well as profit and the labor percentage of it?**

A: During the last year 2002, there was a net profit of 120 million Yemeni Riyals. Last year, around 16 million cans were produced. Around 14 million of those cans were marketed locally. The remaining 2.4 million cans

were exported abroad yielding more than USD 2 million as generated income.

As for this year, we produced around 13 million cans in the first half, of which more than half was marketed locally yielding a revenue of more than one billion YR. During the same period, more than 1.3 million cans were exported.

**Q: Recently you have received the Golden Knight's International Award in pioneering and Excellence. What does this prize represent to you and why do you think you deserve it?**

A: Our achievement in getting the award brings pride to all Yemeni cadres in the fish industry and especially in our factory. This award represents a drive and incentive to work harder and pay more efforts for maintaining this quality and increasing production.

As to why we deserved it, this award was presented on the basis independent evaluation of the public opinion and the research center that made the study. Our factory is distinguished with packaging of fresh Yellow Fin Tuna, which is considered among the best quality Tuna in the world. Moreover the award was presented to us as a result of our continuous efforts and hard work to raise the quality standard and fulfill the conditions in service and operation. I believe that we won the Golden Knight Award because of high quality and standards of our products.

And we are truly happy for this achievement.

## First center for training & care of orphans.

# YR 1 billion to finance orphans centers & care

By MAHYOUB AL-KAMALI  
YEMEN TIMES STAFF

**P**resident Ali Abdullah Saleh has given his orders for allotting one billion Yemeni rials from the state general budget to finance the first center of its kind in Yemen that has been established for training and rehabilitation of orphans bearing the name "The President Center for Training & Rehabilitation of Orphans" in the capital secretariat Sana'a. The president's directives have also included instructions for building similar centers in other governments. In the inaugural ceremony of the first center for orphans, the Yemeni president praised charitable societies from the United Arab Emirates and kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the assistance they have offered to orphans in Yemen. The president center for orphans aims at rehabilitation of this social segment in professional and technological field. It also aims to facilitate for them acquiring various skills and developing their capabilities in certain specialties in line with the society's requirements, as a prelude to engage them in labor market. Admission system to the center for orphans has specified it from the 9th grade at the basic education stage. This is deemed as the first attention by the government of its kind to care for orphans, beside activities and efforts of the social Care House and private sector charitable societies. These Yemeni efforts come as part of the state policy for alleviation of orphans sufferings, especially those belonging to poor segment. The private sector contributes to these efforts by funding charitable projects for orphans and guarantee for their

life. Private sector supplies school satchels, and clothes on Eids occasions in addition to offering money as assistance to orphans. This is part of religious teachings on social solidarity. Such assistance aims at guaranteeing taking of orphans including the care offered by the state, non-governmental organizations and charitable societies that fear from influence of extremist current on orphans future and their social and political orientations. The private sector works for helping orphans to demonstrate its humanitarian role in the Yemeni society that suffers from poverty and low rates of income & job opportunities. Among aid rendered for orphans, a number of Gulf charitable institutions and societies provide financial gifts and school supplies for orphans. The Saudi "Mecca" establishment has embarked on a project for rendering care for 500 Yemeni orphans in the academic year 2003-2004. Mecca establishment undertakes help for 1300 orphans in Yemen with monthly financial aid. This displays the extent of ties between both Yemeni and Saudi peoples and contribution in the effort aimed at alleviation of poverty, as considered means for support for development. A number of charitable societies in the UAE also offer assistance to orphans and the poor in Yemen. This helps overcome some difficulties and problems suffered form by sons of Yemeni needy families and safeguard them against extremist ideas.

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## Words of Wisdom



The Republic of Yemen badly needs a system which will enable citizens to hold government officials, army/security officers, and judicial personnel responsible. Most of the times, violence erupts because the citizens feel that their rights are not protected, thereby feeling a strong urge to take the law into their own hands.

Prof. Abdulaziz Al-Saqqaf, (1951-1999)  
Founder of Yemen Times



## OUR OPINION

## Is it good to be the only superpower?

**I**sometimes tend to ask myself, "is it good to have only one superpower?" Looking at the current power distribution worldwide, we can easily assume that the USA is indeed the only superpower of today. It has the economic, military, and technological advantage and superiority to most of the world.

But coming back to the question of whether it is good to have only one superpower, we need to take it from the perspective of world countries and that of the USA itself.

For world countries, having one superpower could be good if that superpower is acting justly and honestly, not monopolizing or using its power for its own advantage, and most importantly, respecting the United Nations and other weaker countries.

Well, the USA doesn't seem to fit in this category, simply because it is biased to others, e.g. Israel. So it is rather better for the world to have more than one superpower or have none. It would be a better alternative to have two countries or more, which will in turn result in some balance in the world arena as this will make weaker countries stronger for having a superpower to defend them from the other superpower.

But then again, the world will go back to a stage of cold war and continuous contest of loyalties and flattery. The aim of each country will be to strengthen its supportive superpower, and in return getting financial and political support from its ally.

Now let us examine whether being a superpower is helpful for the citizens of this superpower.

Citizens of the only superpower in the world would probably live in continuous fear of being seen as 'superior'. The 911 incident is a clear indication of that. Even though George W. Bush once said that "America was targeted for attack because we [USA] are the brightest beacon for freedom and opportunity in the world," many also believe that the attack was also because USA was the strongest military and economy in the world. Among the possible reasons behind the 911 incident was probably because some extremist elements may see this sole power to be the easiest and most effective target. In other words, if they hit the strongest country in the world, they may be seen even stronger than this power.

Furthermore, the larger the country the more it will depend on natural resources and have more offices worldwide. Hence, it is also obvious that more easy targets would be created in time.

Being a country that consumes the largest share of natural wealth worldwide, and being the country that produces the largest producer of chemical and hazardous waste, the sole superpower will also be seen as the biggest threat to world peace and stability by non-American world citizens.

Will Americans like to be seen in this way?

Will Americans want to be the only target and biggest threat in the world?

I doubt it.

However, and in the same time, America may not be able to create a rival or competitor. But the least that could be done is that it does not prevent other developing countries from growing and becoming powerful. It is important to realize that at the end of the day, this will not be in its benefit or advantage.

This planet is for all of us, and the USA is only forming 4% of world population. This nation should not be in control of most of the world's resources and policies.

In my opinion, continuing to have one sole superpower -which continues to grow and widens the gap between it and other countries - in the world will not only harm other countries, but Americans themselves will find themselves to be the main victims.

I hope they understand...

The Editor

## September 11 events, impact on Yemen



BY HASAN AL-ZAID

**A**part from the effects resulting from the 11 September events in America, and information on the killing of seven Yemeni citizens in the World Trade building and losses sustained by Yemeni businessmen, the more than 25 thousand Yemeni expatriates in the United States had been subject to harassment, some had been arrested as well as tightening the grip on expatriate remittances to Yemen.

The latest statistics indicate that in the late of 2002 the number of Yemenis detained in American amounted to 60 thousand persons, let alone expelling tens of thousands of Arabs, including Yemenis, from their jobs. Yemen, on the other hand, was listed as among the convenient strongholds of terrorist elements following the war against them in Afghanistan, a matter that harmed Yemen's reputation and its economic status. That has obliged Yemen to increase deployment of security elements as precautionary measures to round up and detect any terrorist activity and tightening the grip on suspected elements and chasing them. This task has added additional burdens on the budget and inflicted losses on Yemeni armed forces and security bodies in some of such events. Among the damage resulting from terrorist act were those caused by the blasting of the USS destroyer Cole and the explosion in the French oil tanker Limburg. That had caused an increase in insurance costs by 300%, Yemen's losses of which amounted to about 10 million dollars.

Here we will try to mention the more important operations implemented by al-Qaeda linked elements in Yemen. We will also try to review the acts carried

out by Yemeni authorities against al-Qaeda individually and in cooperation with the United States of America. Statistics on attacks carried out before 11 Sept. 2001:

-Explosion of the American destroyer USS Cole with an explosive-laden boat on 11 October 2002 causing the death of 17 sailors and the wounding of other 37.

-An explosion in the building of the British embassy in Sana'a on 12 October 2000 in which a highly explosive material as used and caused great damage to the building and shattering window panes of adjacent buildings.

-On 21 March 2000, a bag was discovered near an officer's house in the Hadda area containing 17-18 kg of a highly explosive (C.3) material.

-On 4 April 2000, a quantity of C.3 explosives were detected near an officer's house in the Sheraton residential area. The explosives were made ready for detonation and equipped with a timer.

-On 4 April an explosion happened at headquarters of the political security organisation in Faj Attan area causing a huge opening in the building's wall and large cracks in the building.

-On 16 April 2000, a powerful explosion took place near the building of the state authority of civil aviation in Zubairi street in the capital causing smashing of window panes, destruction of its doors and cracks in nearby buildings.

-On 14 April 2000, a person called Issam Abdeh Hasan Barouk attempted a blasting near an important institution but he blew himself with the bomb he was carrying killing and tearing him to pieces. A search of his house resulted in the discovery of water pipes filled with TNT explosives to be used in later blasting operations.

-On 19 August 2000, and while some extremists in a rented house in Socotra residential area were adjusting the electrical system of a rocket it

exploded and burnt them to death. The power of explosion also resulted in abortion of six women in nearby houses. After inspection of the house it was found that there was a quantity of TNT explosives estimated at 337 kg, two rockets and a group of bombs and projectiles.

-On 6 October 2002 happened the explosion of the French oil tanker Limburg at its anchoring in Mukalla port. A boat loaded with explosives was used in the blast which made a large hole in the tanker, killing one of the crew and wounding seven others. The explosion affected heavily the fish wealth in the area and caused pollution of the marine life in addition to the rise of insurance percentage.

-On November 3 2002 a group ordered by a Qaed Salem Sufyan al-Harithi attacked an airplane of the HUNT oil company targeting it with a Sam-2 rocket that missed it, but they opened machine-guns fire at it, hitting the plane body and injuring two of the engineers on board.

-In December 2002 a powerful explosive charge went off at a place nearby the house of Mareb governor, director of security and a government complex in the governorate. Security apparatus considered that a message to the officials whom they accused of collaborating in the killing of Abu Ali al-Harithi and his companions in Marib.

Despite the security and military measures Yemen has taken against terrorist elements suspected of having links with al-Qaeda and the Yemeni-American security coordination and cooperation to fight those elements, Yemen is still in the eyes of western states as a dangerous country. The latest warning by the American state department to its national was on 21 August mentioning that security threat to their nationals in Yemen would remain expected due to al-Qaeda continued efforts for forming its effective practical base.

## American citizen appeals to US embassy to help

BY SALEH M. QAID AL-HAJJAJI

**I** am an American citizen currently living in Yemen, where I am facing some difficulties. I have tried to contact the US embassy to assist me recently but I never got any positive response.

Former US Ambassador to Yemen, Ms. Barbara Bodine was quite helpful in my case and I wish the current Ambassador, H.E. Edmund Hull would follow suit. Ms. Bodine had issued an official letter from the embassy and it was forwarded to the governor of Ibb concerning my case. However, since she left office, the issue was never followed up.

In brief, my issue is about a piece of

land that has been confiscated from me in 1997. For more than four years I have been pushing hard for the issue to be resolved and for my property be returned but to no avail.

The land is located in Ibb City and it was confiscated without my knowledge or permission.

I hoped that I could use the land to start an investment that would benefit the people in the area, but I never had the chance to do so because the land was taken away forcefully.

I have approached local authorities, parliament, judiciary, and the presidential office, and I did get so many orders to have the land returned, but none of the orders were implemented.

I appeal to the US Embassy to inter-

fere in getting things going again. I was promised that the US government will look after me and do its best to defend my rights wherever and whenever possible. I now believe it is high time to get support from my country and see that my rights are given back to me.

I hope that the US embassy to Yemen will respond positively, just as it did in the past. The embassy can indeed do a lot for its citizens, especially when they are exposed to human right violations, and face problems that cost them morally and financially.

I know they will do their best in helping me out.

I will be waiting for their helping hand.

## Letters to the Editor

## Exhausting support

**I**m writing this in response to Mr. Samawi's letter published on Sept 8. I'd go along with a lot of what you said. I adore having you stated your contention rather satisfyingly and persuasively. It's indisputable that the US is a vast and powerful country and unceasingly has helped so many countries throughout today's world. None can deny our necessary need to the US support. Thus, we appreciate efforts and attempts to rescue our world from catastrophic and threatening problems that jeopardize peace. Hence we can assure that we don't hate America as you visualize. But, imprudent decisions, biased attitudes towards Arabs, never abiding by international laws and showing arrogance are some reasons that bother us. For example, Palestinians are being killed savagely and brutally, are discriminated

against. Another example is the up-side-down and miserable situation in Iraq. Nothing has been done or put into practice to stop that. In brief, people should be granted every right to have a peaceful life. No need to erupt unnecessary disputes.

Wathik Al-Samawi  
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## Stop the Spaniard's death sentence

**I**m writing to you about the case of the Spanish citizen Nabil al-Manakli and I would like to express my concern about his possible imminent execution.

I urge H.E. Ali Abdullah Saleh to commute the death sentence and prevent the execution of Nabil al-Manakli. I acknowledge the right of the Government to bring to justice anyone found responsible for criminal offences, but I would like to express my unconditional opposition to the death penalty.

## Letters to the Editor

I remind you the international standards for fair trial in capital cases, including the right to seek pardon or commutation of the sentence.

Miguel Martín, Spain  
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## First editorial that makes sense!

**T**his editorial, on the so-called conspiracy of the "WEST" against the Arabs, is the first column I have read by this editor that made absolute sense. Congratulations! Japan is one of the best examples in the world today, of how a country with few natural resources, but does have a hard working and dedicated population, can rise up, as it did from the ashes of World War II, and achieve success in the world marketplace. It is true, they are no longer an "Empire", but their work effort and the success it has achieved for them should be taken note

of. Yemen can do it. Work to achieve, and find your rightful and successful place in the world.

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## Requesting from your readers more info.

**I** am a third grade teacher in the U.S. and I have a student in my classroom from Yemen. I would like for my children to learn about Yemen, just as my student from Yemen will learn about America.

Can your readers send me some information about the land, schools, religion, holidays, culture, and government of Yemen. I would also like to have the address of an elementary school so that my class can become pen pals with children from Yemen. Any information your readers can send me would be greatly appreciated.

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## COMMON SENSE



By Hassan Al-Haifi

## More on the veto and the UN

**B**efore posting last issue's Common Sense, this observer attempted to find out exactly how many times the US used the veto in the Security Council to kill any resolution that is not to the liking of Israel. In going through the Website of the United Nations, it was practically impossible to get any information by browsing the endless pages of the UNO and the Security Council. I would have had to go through all the resolutions passed by the UNSC from 1946 to the present to find out how the voting went on a year by year basis and then it would not be certain that one could get a clear idea of the voting. I found reference to a report issued by the United States Department of State through its Bureau of International Organization Affairs, which can be found in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library, but in trying to retrieve the report, I was informed that only UN Delegations or UN staff had access to such reports. I wrote to the UN Webmaster to see if I could assistance in my quest. To this day, I have not received a response. I then tried to approach the US Department of State Website for the information or a copy of the report (or even a summary thereof). I also have yet to receive a response or even acknowledgement of receipt of my request.

I then remembered an American friend, who is waging his own advocacy campaign against the overtly strong influence of the Zionist lobby in the US (which should not be taken as an anti-Semitic stance), because there is much that is found in the current foreign policy orientations that has been shown by the current Administration in the White House that goes against what the founding fathers of the United States envisioned as a global role for the country (as well as the obvious mismanagement of domestic affairs). I asked Mr. Richard Melson if he could help me in this effort hopefully with a reply on the same day. Sure enough, Dick obliged with a response in four hours, detailing the voting behavior of the US in the Security Council since 1972 to the last resolution on Yasser Arafat. The full details will be printed elsewhere in this issue or in the following issue of YT. The astounding results analytically reveal the following:

1) the US used the veto 35 time on behalf of Israel over the past thirty years.

2) the US veto in almost all the cases killed these resolution, even though the majority, if not all the other members of the UNSC voted for these resolutions; i.e., the US vote was the only nay vote.

Even where these resolutions involved fundamental issues of human rights violations or international conventions, the US maintained its unabashed disposal of this restricted exclusive privilege to Israel's advantage, going against its own principles and declared visions of international legitimacy.

Perhaps, Mr. Kofi Annan was not off the mark, when he said that there needs to be many reforms instituted in the way the UN operates, and note that this was said right after the UNSC vote on the Yasser Arafat Resolution. The UNSC is still operating under the same rules that were effective upon the establishment of the UN. While the UN's picture and modus operandi have seen significant changes in many of the diverse organs, fields, and activities of the UNO. The UN membership has grown fourfold since its establishment and the attributes of power have shifted to different welders, economically, politically and militarily over the last six decades or so. Yet the UNSC has not been made to adapt to any of these changes; the victors of WWII still dominate the Council's activities (the only significant change in the UNSC membership was the replacement of Nationalist China by the People's Republic of China, for obvious reasons and then only when the latter got a hold of the A Bomb). With the Security Council having the most important role of maintaining peace and stability in the world, it has surely become imperative to institute reforms that will help to enhance this role and restore the confidence of the UNO with the international community, which mostly sees the organization as falling under the dictates of the US, albeit for the benefit of another state. Needless to say, with the veto used so unabashedly to the advantage of Israel, in opposition to the general inclinations of the rest of the UNSC membership, the end result is an ineffective peace-keeping role in the most serious of issues facing the Council.

The reform that Mr. Annan was hinting at need not necessarily cut off some of the special voting privileges of the major powers, but might introduce mechanisms whereby there are avenues that are open for the international community to indicate the legitimate and rightful course that are in keeping with the true purpose of the UNO. This is especially in case this privilege is used mainly to block any efforts to correct the misconduct of unruly states by the privileged few. This should lead to the enhancement of the UN as the true peacemaker it should be, and not the legitimizer of the mischief of renegade states that rely on others to shield them and even encourage them to carry out further mischief in keeping with their whims, and to get away even with murder, which is what Israel seems to enjoy thanks to the VETO, if not anything else.



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# The war game

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By the summer of 2002, George Bush had firmly set his new course: 'regime change' and reform in the Muslim and Arab worlds, and, where necessary, American military intervention to achieve it. Hitherto, it had been assumed that the US could not go to war in one of the two great zones of Middle East crisis - Iraq and the Gulf - before it had at least calmed things down in the other, older and more explosive one, Palestine. But the American administration's neo-conservatives had a very simple answer to that. The road to war on Iraq no longer lay through peace in Palestine; peace in Palestine lay through war on Baghdad.

It was all set forth, in its most comprehensive, well-nigh megalomaniac form, by Norman Podhoretz, the neo-cons' veteran intellectual luminary, in the September 2002 issue of his magazine, Commentary. Changes in regime, he proclaimed, were 'the sine qua non through-out the region'. They might 'clear a path to the long-overdue internal reform and modernisation of Islam'.

This was a full and final elaboration of that project, 'A Clean Break', which some of his kindred spirits had first laid before Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu back in 1996. It was the apotheosis of the 'strategic alliance', at least as much an Israeli grand design as an American one.

Under the guise of forcibly divesting Iraq of its weapons of mass destruction, the US now sought to 'reshape' the entire Middle East, with this most richly endowed and pivotal of countries as the lynchpin of a whole new, pro-American geopolitical order. Witnessing such an overwhelming display of American will and power, other regimes, such as Hizbollah-supporting Syria in particular, would either have to bend to American purposes or suffer the same fate.

With the assault on Iraq, the US was not merely adopting Israel's long-estab-

lished methods - of initiative, offence and pre-emption - it was also adopting Israel's adversaries as its own. Iraq had always ranked high among those; it was one of its so-called 'faraway' enemies. These had come to be seen as more menacing than the 'near' ones, and especially since they had begun developing weapons of mass destruction.

So excited was Israeli premier Ariel Sharon about this whole new Middle East order in the making that he told the Times, 'the day after' Iraq, the US and Britain should turn to that other 'faraway' enemy - Iran. For Israel, the ayatollahs' Iran had always seemed the greater menace of the two, by virtue of its intrinsic weight, its fundamentalist, theologically anti-Zionist leadership, its more serious, diversified and supposedly Russian-assisted nuclear armaments programme, its ideological affinity with, or direct sponsorship of, such Islamist organisations as Hamas or Hizbollah.

Nothing, in fact, better illustrated the ascendancy which Israel and the American 'friends of Israel' have acquired over American policy-making than did Iran. Quite simply, said Iran expert James Bill, the 'US views Iran through spectacles manufactured in Israel'. Impressing on the US the gravity of the Iranian threat has long been a foremost Israeli preoccupation.

By the early 1990s, the former Minister Moshe Sneh was warning that Israel 'cannot possibly put up with a nuclear bomb in Iranian hands'. That could and should be collectively prevented, he said, 'since Iran threatens the interests of all rational states in the Middle East'. However: 'If the Western states don't do their duty, Israel will find itself forced to act alone, and will accomplish its task by any [ie including nuclear] means.' The hint of anti-American blackmail in that remark was nothing exceptional; it has always been a leitmotif of Israeli discourse on the subject.

The showdown with Iraq has only encouraged this kind of thinking. 'Within two years,' said John Pike, director of GlobalSecurity.org, 'either the US or

Israelis are going to attack Iran's [nuclear sites] or acquiesce in Iran being a nuclear state.'

To where this Israeli-American, neo-conservative blueprint for the Middle East will lead is impossible to forecast. What can be said for sure is that it could easily turn out to be as calamitous in its consequences, for the region, America and Israel, as it is preposterously partisan in motivation, fantastically ambitious in design and terribly risky in practice.

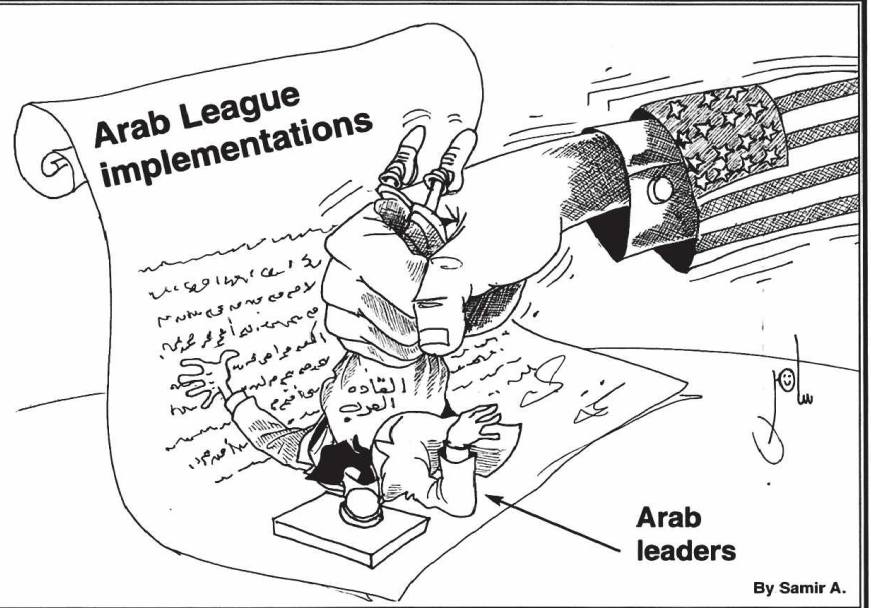
Even if, to begin with, it achieves what, by its authors' estimate, is an outward, short-term measure of success, it will not end the violence in the Middle East. Far more likely is that, in the medium or the long term, it will make it very much worse. For the violence truly to end, its roots must be eradicated, too, and the noxious soil that feeds them cleansed.

It is late, but perhaps not too late, for that to happen. The historic - and historically generous - compromise offer which Yasser Arafat, back in 1988, first put forward for the sharing of Palestine between its indigenous people and the Zionists who drove most of them out still officially stands. It is completely obvious by now that, without external persuasion, Israel will never accept it; that the persuasion can only come from Israel's last real friend in the world, the US; that, for the persuasion to work, there has to be 'reform' or 'regime change' in Israel quite as far-reaching as any to be wrought on the other side.

Given the partisanship, it is, admittedly, highly unlikely to happen any time soon. But if it doesn't happen in the reasonably foreseeable future, there may come a time when it can no longer happen at all. The Palestinian leadership may withdraw its offer, having concluded, like many of its people already have, that, however conciliatory it becomes, whatever fresh concessions it makes, it will never be enough for an adversary that seems to want all.

The Hamas rejectionists, and/or those, secular as well as religious, who think like them, may take over the leadership. The whole, broader, Arab-Israeli peace

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process which Anwar Sadat began, and which came to be seen as irreversible, may prove to be reversible after all. In which case, the time may also come when the cost to the US of continuing to support its infinitely importunate protégé in a never-ending conflict against an ever-widening circle of adversaries is greater than its will and resources to sustain it.

That would very likely be a time when Israel itself is already in dire peril. And if it were, then America would very likely discover something else: that the friend and ally it has succoured all these years is not only a colonial state, not only extremist by temperament, racist in practice, and increasingly fundamentalist in the ideology that drives it, it is also eminently capable of becoming an 'irrational' state at America's expense as well as its own.

The threatening of wild, irrational violence, in response to political pressure, has been an Israeli impulse from the very earliest days. It was first authoritatively documented, in the 1950s, by Moshe

Sharett, the dovish Prime Minister, who wrote of his Defence Minister, Pinhas Lavon, that he 'constantly preached for acts of madness' or 'going crazy' if ever Israel were crossed. Without a 'just, comprehensive and lasting' peace which only America can bring to pass, Israel will remain at least as likely a candidate as Iran, and a far more enduring one, for the role of 'nuclear-crazy' state.

Iran can never be threatened in its very existence. Israel can. Indeed, such a threat could even grow out of the current intifada. That, at least, is the pessimistic opinion of Martin van Creveld, professor of military history at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. 'If it went on much longer,' he said, 'the Israeli government [would] lose control of the people. In campaigns like this, the anti-terror forces lose, because they don't win, and the rebels win by not losing. I regard a total Israeli defeat as unavoidable. That will mean the collapse of the Israeli state and society. We'll destroy ourselves.'

In this situation, he went on, more and more Israelis were coming to regard the 'transfer' of the Palestinians as the only salvation; resort to it was growing 'more probable' with each passing day. Sharon 'wants to escalate the conflict and knows that nothing else will succeed'.

But would the world permit such ethnic cleansing? 'That depends on who does it and how quickly it happens. We possess several hundred atomic warheads and rockets and can launch them at targets in all directions, perhaps even at Rome. Most European capitals are targets for our air force. Let me quote General Moshe Dayan: "Israel must be like a mad dog, too dangerous to bother." I consider it all hopeless at this point. We shall have to try to prevent things from coming to that, if at all possible. Our armed forces, however, are not the thirtieth strongest in the world, but rather the second or third. We have the capability to take the world down with us. And I can assure you that that will happen before Israel goes under.'

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## Uneasy compromise

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Residents Jacques Chirac and George Bush continued to trade blows in public over policy on Iraq, ahead of their critical meeting at the United Nations in New York today.

But the French leader dangled a major olive branch. Mr Chirac signalled he would abstain on, rather than veto, a UN resolution endorsing a multi-lateral force led by the Americans.

In a frenetic round of international diplomacy in the wings of the UN general assembly in New York, Mr Chirac will join a three-way conclave with Germany's chancellor, Gerhard Schröder, and the Russia president, Vladimir Putin.

Mr Chirac has led this anti-war block in pushing for an early transfer of power to Iraqis under the auspices of the UN. Mr Bush, by contrast, when asked if the US should grant the UN a bigger role, said: "I'm not so sure we have to, for starters."

The US leader was preparing yesterday to deliver a combative speech to the general assembly, defending the US invasion as "the right decision".

But while standing their ground, both men appeared to be reaching for compromise.

Mr Bush said it would be "helpful" for the UN to assist in writing a new Iraqi constitution or oversee elections. Mr Chirac suggested he would abstain, rather than veto, the UN resolution backing an international force, clearing the way for Mr Bush to score a diplomatic breakthrough.

The UN resolution Washington is aiming for has not been formally proposed. But in draft form it would put the UN firmly behind the US-backed Iraqi Governing Council. It calls other nations to support the Iraqi reconstruction effort and help train a new Iraqi police force.

It authorises "a multinational force, under unified command" - in other words, US command - "to take all necessary measures to contribute to the maintenance of security and stability in Iraq and urges member states to contribute assistance, including military forces, to that effort".

While the UN may endorse an international force, however, rounding up the troops remains a formidable problem. Neither France, Russia nor Germany is offering forces, and appeals to other US

military allies, such as Pakistan or South Korea, have yet to bear fruit.

The US Democratic senator Teddy Kennedy has accused the Bush administration of "bribing" these countries for their support. Mr Bush, in a sharp exchange, called Senator Kennedy's words "uncivil".

In Mr Bush's planned speech today, he will also urge new action to prevent nuclear proliferation - in what is certain to be seen as a swipe at Iran.

While Mr Bush is to defend the Iraq war, Mr Chirac has described it as "traumatic for this region and culture". Yesterday, he proposed transfer of power in Iraq from military occupation forces to the Iraqi people in a two-stage plan.

It would begin with the symbolic transfer of power to the Iraqi Governing Council, then transferring real power over a period of six to nine months.

Mr Chirac said France would vote in favour of the US resolution only if it came with a timetable and deadline for the transfer of power to the Iraqis, and included a "key role" for the United Nations. Without those provisions, he said, France would abstain.

He warned that if there is no self-rule in Iraq, the nation could have a "governor who is Christian and foreign" responsible for an Arab and Muslim country. He called it "a very difficult situation for any people to accept in the 21st century".

The US administrator in Iraq, Paul Bremer, opposed any quick transfer of power. Asked if he thought the Iraqis were ready to rule themselves, he replied: "No, they're not," though he stressed Iraqis were already "running the ministries".

"The path to sovereignty is clearly laid out," he said. "There must be a written constitution ... There must be a written constitution followed by democratic elections. That will then lead to a fully sovereign Iraqi government. This will happen as quickly as Iraqis can write the constitution."

### France: Still waiting for us approval

IT IS easy to tell which foreign leaders the US president, George Bush, likes and admires - they are the ones invited to his ranch in Crawford, Texas.

The French president, Jacques Chirac, knows that he need not hold his breath for a visit. Much of the United States agrees with Mr Bush's attitude.

France's opposition to the invasion and

liberation of Iraq made Paris a pariah capital in the eyes of many Americans who supported the war. It prompted calls to boycott French wine and switch holiday destinations to European countries other than France.

Those calls appear to have had some effect, as wine importers report a slump in demand for Bordeaux and fewer Americans appear to have travelled to Paris this summer than in previous years.

France became the butt of endless jokes on late-night television chat shows. "Why did we ever think the French would help us kick Saddam out of Iraq?" asked Jay Leno in one typical quip. "They didn't help us kick the Germans out of France." Famously, two Republican members of Congress even persuaded the Congressional canteen to rename its French fries "freedom fries".

Although some Democrats have suggested it is time for "freedom fries" to revert to their previous name, Republicans remain adamant that French duplicity and cynicism is such that no such return should be contemplated.

According to Bob Ney, who initiated the change: "[The French] were non-co-operative and arrogant [before the war] and they are again non-co-operative and arrogant. I haven't seen a huge change." The prevailing view in Washington was summed up by the influential New York Times columnist, Thomas Friedman, who said: "France is not just our annoying ally. It is not just our jealous rival. France is becoming our enemy."

A Gallup poll earlier this year suggested most Americans agree with Mr Friedman. Just 18 per cent viewed France as an ally, compared with 50 per cent three years ago.

France may hope for more cordial relations, insisting that the differences between Paris and Washington are over policy not personality, but there is little sign that Americans are willing to forgive or forget French hostility towards America's foreign policy objectives.

Curiously, given their feelings, the attention in the United States has focused almost solely on Mr Bush's speech today and not on the behind-the-scenes discussions over a greater international presence in Iraq and Mr Chirac's trip.

Today's meeting between Mr Bush and Mr Chirac might be all that is needed to make France a television talk-show punch-bag once again.



# ISLAM is not the source of terrorism, but its solution (2-2)



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## The Bedouin Character in the Qur'an

In the period of our Prophet, there existed two basic social structures in Arabia. City-dwellers and Bedouins (Desert Arabs). A sophisticated culture prevailed in Arab towns. Commercial relations linked the towns to the outer world, which contributed to the formation of "good manners" among Arabs dwelling in cities. They had refined aesthetic values, enjoyed literature and, especially poetry. Desert Arabs, on the other hand, were the nomad tribes living in the desert who had a very crude culture. Utterly unaware of arts and literature, they developed an unrefined character.

Islam was born and developed among the inhabitants of Mecca, the most important city of the peninsula. However, as Islam spread to the peninsula, all tribes in Arabia embraced it. Among these tribes were also Desert Arabs, who were somehow problematic: their poor intellectual and cultural background prevented them from grasping the profundity and noble spirit of Islam. Of this God states the following in a verse:

**The desert Arabs are more obdurate in disbelief and hypocrisy and more likely not to know the limits which God has sent down to His Messenger. God is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (Surat at-Tawba: 97)**

The Desert Arabs, that is, social groups who were "obdurate in disbelief and hypocrisy" and prone to disobey God's commands, became a part of the Islamic world in the Prophet's time. However, in latter periods, they became a source of trouble for the Islamic world. The sect called "Kharijis" that emerged among Bedouins was an example. The most distinctive trait of this perverse sect (which was called "Kharijis" the rebels because they greatly deviated from Sunni practises), was their extremely vulgar, wild and fanatical nature. The "Kharijis", who had no comprehension whatsoever of the essence of Islam or of the virtues and the values of the Qur'an, waged war against all other Muslims and based this war on a few Qur'anic verses about which they made distorted interpretations. Furthermore, they carried out "acts of terrorism". Ali, who was one of the closest companions of the Prophet and was described as the "gate of the city of knowledge", was assassinated by a Kharijite.

In latter periods, "Hashashis", another brutal organisation, emerged; this was a "terrorist organisation" made up of ignorant and fanatical militants bereft of a profound understanding of the essence of Islam and thus who could be readily

influenced by simple slogans and promises.

In other words, just as the Crusaders distorted and misinterpreted Christianity as a teaching of brutality, some perverted groups emerging in the Islamic world misinterpreted Islam and resorted to brutality. What is common to this sect and the Crusaders was their "Bedouin" nature. That is, they were ignorant, unrefined, uncultivated, vulgar, and isolated people. The violence they resorted to resulted from this social structure, rather than the religion to which they claimed to adhere.

## The Actual Source of Terrorism: The Third World Fanaticism

These examples from history are enlightening for a better understanding of the phenomenon, the so-called "Islamic terror", which is nowadays on the top of the international agenda. That is because those who emerge and carry out acts of terrorism in the name of Islam or those who back such acts -these people, no doubt, represent a minority in the world of Islam- stem from this "character peculiar to Bedouins", not from Islam. Failing to understand the essence of Islam, they try to make Islam, essentially a religion of peace and justice, a tool of barbarism, which is simply an outcome of their social and cultural structure. The origin of this barbarism, which may well be called the "Third World Fanaticism", is the benighted initiatives of people who are devoid of love for humans.

**It is a fact that, for the last few centuries, Muslims in all corners of the Islamic world are being subjected to violence by Western forces and their affiliates. The colonialist European states, local oppressive regimes or colonialists backed by the West (Israel, for instance) caused great suffering for Muslims at large. However, for Muslims, this is a situation that has to be approached and responded to from a purely Qur'anic stance.**

**In no part of the Qur'an does God command believers to "respond to violence with violence". On the contrary, God commands Muslims to "respond to evil with goodness".**

**A good action and a bad action are not the same. Repel the bad with something better and, if there is enmity between you and someone else, he will be like a bosom friend. (Surat al-Fussilat: 34)**

It is no doubt a legitimate right of Muslims to react against this cruelty. However, these reactions should never turn into a blind hatred, an unjust enmity. God warns about this in the following verse: **"... Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Masjid al-Haram incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity.**

**Heed God Allah (alone)... (Surat al-Ma'ida: 2)**

**Consequently, carrying out terrorist acts against the innocent people of other nations under the pretence of "representing the innocent nations in the world", is by no means compatible with Islam.**

**Another point that deserves a special mention here is that all Western nations cannot be held responsible for the aforementioned violence and oppression against Muslims. Actually, the materialist, irreligious philosophies and ideologies that prevailed in the 19th century are responsible for these dismal acts. European colonialism did not originate from Christianity. On the contrary, anti-religious movements opposing the values of Christianity led the way to colonialism. At the roots of the greatest brutalities of the 19th century lies the Social Darwinist ideology. In the Western world today, there are still cruel, mischievous and opposing factors as well as a culture dominated by peaceful and just elements that have its roots in Christianity. As a matter of fact, the main disagreement is not between the West and Islam. Contrary to the general opinion, it is between the devout people of the West and of the Muslim world on the one hand, and the people opposing religion (materialists, atheists, Darwinists etc.) on the other.**

Another indication that Third World Fanaticism has nothing to do with Islam is that, until recently, this fanaticism has been identified with communist ideology. As is known, similar anti-West acts of terror were carried out in 1960s and 70s by USSR-backed communist organisations. As the impact of the communist ideology faded, some of the social structures which gave birth to communist organisations have turned their attention to Islam. This "brutality presented under the guise of religion", which is formulated by the incorporation of some Islamic concepts and symbols into the former communist literature are entirely against the moral values constituting the essence of Islam.

A last remark about this issue is that Islam is not peculiar to a particular nation or geography. Contrary to the dominant Western perception, Islam is not an "Eastern culture". Islam is the last religion revealed to mankind as a guide to the true path that recommends itself to all humanity. Muslims are responsible for communicating the true religion they believe in to all people of all nations and cultures and making them feel closer to Islam.

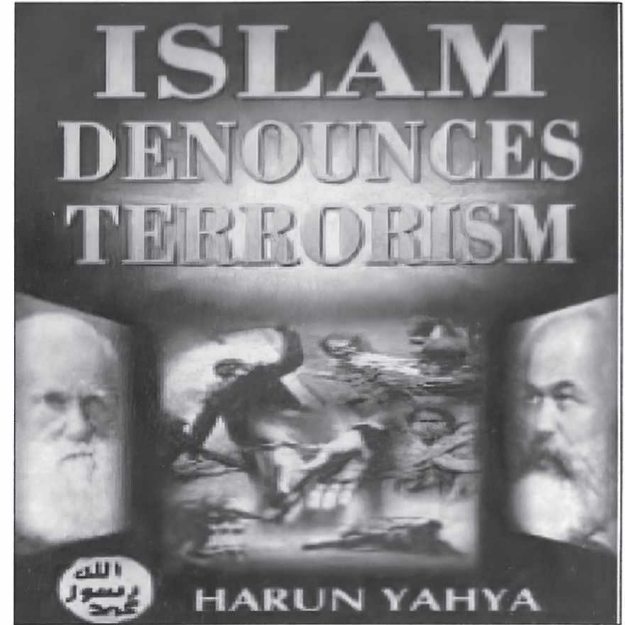
Consequently, there is a unique solution for people and groups who, in the name of Islam, resort to terror, form oppressive regimes and turn this world into a dreadful place instead of beautifying it: revealing the true Islam and communicating it so that the masses can understand and live by it.

## Conclusion: Recommendations to the Western World

Today, the Western world is concerned about the organisations that use terror under the guise of Islam and this concern is not misplaced. It is obvious that those carrying out terror and their supporters should be punished according to international judicial criteria. However, a more important point to consider is the long-term strategies that have to be pursued for viable solutions to these problems.

The assessment above reveal that terror has no place in Islam and that it is a crime committed against humanity. They further show the inherently contradictory nature of the concept of "Islamic terror". This provides us with an important vantage point:

- 1) The Western world, especially the United States, will surely take the most dissuasive measures to cope with terror and it has the right to do that. However, it has to state explicitly that this is not a war waged against Islam and Muslims but, on the contrary, a measure serving the best interests of Islam. The "Clash of civilisations", the dangerous scenario envisioned in the 90's should be at all costs prevented.
- 2) Support should be provided for the spread of "True Islam", which is a religion of love, friendship, peace and brotherhood and for its true understanding by Islamic societies. The solution for radical factions in Islamic countries should not be "compulsory secularisation". On the contrary, such a policy will incite more reaction from the masses. The solution is the dissemination of true Islam and the appearance of a Muslim role-model who embraces Qur'anic values such as human rights, democracy, freedom, good morals, science and aesthetics, and



who offers happiness and bliss to humanity.

- 3) The source of terrorism is ignorance and bigotry and the solution to terrorism is education. To the circles who feel sympathy with terror, it should be said that terror is utterly against Islam that terror only does harm to Islam, Muslims and to humanity at large. Besides, these people have to be provided with education in order to be purified of this barbarism. The United States' support to such an education policy will yield very positive results.

Our hope is that these measures will help to the world get rid of terrorism and all other bigoted, brutal, barbarous structures. With its Christian-dominated pop-

ulation, the United States that defines itself as "a country under God's protection" is in fact a real friend of the Muslims. In the Qur'an, God draws attention to this fact and informs us that Christians are those who are "most affectionate to those who believe". (Surat al-Ma'ida: 82)

In history, some ignorant people (for instance, Crusaders) failed to understand this fact and caused conflicts between these two religions. To prevent the repetition of this scenario, true Christians and Muslims need to come together and co-operate.

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## Hiroshima Mama

By: Faisal Hadi Al-Azzani

On the 58th anniversary of the Japanese two cities, Hiroshima and Nagasaki Disaster of the 2nd world war...

**When the grief dies, on the lips  
And the tongues never talk  
And the eyes sink in tears  
People should strive  
So, never forget Hiroshima Mama...  
Never....**

Once, before so many years  
Three years, before I was born  
A peaceful city has fallen in tears  
And from the earth was blown  
A great explosion was happened  
As if the sun fallen upon the earth  
Thousands of victims were killed  
Shouts of pain and silence of death  
Hiroshima Mama was destroyed  
Innocent people died everywhere  
Our Japanese friends fallen dead  
Bloods, bodies here and there  
In Nagasaki, a few days later  
A new Massacre was savagely repeated  
An American new bomb of nuclear  
It was horrible, unfair and unjustified  
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# Local Press

Prepared by Mohammed Khidhr

**Al-Sahawa weekly, 18 Sept.2003.**

## Main headlines:

- In the trial of Jibla killer, exchanged accusations between defence and prosecution
  - Four days of demonstrating, Taiz teachers refuse despot measures of the education office
  - Five new university presidents, most of them from the GPC
- Columnist Zaid al-Shami says in an article the political action is human attempts and various visions on numerous issues. It owns sometimes make mistakes and sometimes they are right.
- The writer says today we are suffering from coercion, tyranny and despotism and mobilization against the opposition, as if it is a crime that should be rooted out and a guilt that must be ridden of. In a short period we have seen how that mobilization has led to the killing of a group of children in mosque in Yahr in Yafie and the killing of number of prayers in the mosque in Amran. Se are now in need of raising above pains and our stands must be at the front, calling for forgiveness and forgetting the past and the call for stopping the cycle of violence generated at the hands of this and that. Why don't we call for love and harmony and good dealing with those whom we differ? It would be most preferable if those in power begin to stop the cycle of violence.

**Al-Nahar weekly, 18 Sept. 2003.**

## Main headlines:

- Shortest kidnapping incident of an Egyptian diplomat
  - The conference in December, journalists warn against dangers contained in journalists law
  - security measures affected tourism special characteristic
  - Official source of RAY party: Ousting Hadramout organisation leadership taken by a person having no partisan legality
  - Presidential decree on appointing university presidents
- Columnist Abdulbari Tahir says in his article that human rights are facing a

hard test because of the new international orientations of the American administration headed by Bush who is allied to the new rightists and also because of the American absolute bias to Sharon's crimes in Israel. For the first time in the history of the Arab-Israeli conflict America supports fully political assassinations in Palestine in addition to other crimes of Israel.

The danger of certain ugly practices lies in their being issued by civilized centres that have traversed a long distance in stability of liberalism, respect of freedom of expression and press and representing an example of democratic systems such as Spain where the Arab journalist of al-Jazeera Tayseer Alouni is now imprisoned. The tragedy of human rights in the Arab region is that they have been put between the hammer and anvil. They are facing despotism and internal suppression and also the world suppression from world centres such as America and Spain the arrest of Alouni won't pass peacefully but it indicates a serious indicator because it comes from democratic countries representing centres for democracy in the world.



**Al-Thawri weekly, organ of the YSP, 18 Sept.2003.**

## Main headlines:

- The YSP calls for depending effective national alternatives to tackle the dangers the country is fraught with
  - Conviction in the case of Jarallah killer comes under the context of continuation of terrorism
  - Yemeni investor accuses director of presidency office of practicing pressure on judiciary
- Nizar Abdeh Said says in his article the trade unionist work is one of the means of peaceful democratic work in the civilized societies and by it the rights of its affiliates are achieved from the other party such as employers and governments. Trade unionists usually have some means of pressure to express the demands of its members like strikes and sits-in and peaceful demonstrations.
- There are many trade unions in our country for various professions, though

## Main headlines

- President: We call for emergency summit to face challenges and threats
- Festival on orphan care and rehabilitation, held
- Yemen-Saudi borders markings to be finished in two months
- President Saleh calls for the release of journalist Alouni
- Yemeni protest to mistreatment of a Yemeni delegation in Washington
- Sit-ins in Taiz, Aden, Sana'a,
- Politicians sit- in would succeed
- Al-Zaidi sheikhs released
- Journalists Syndicate decides to hold its general conference
- Saddam Hussein visits the wounded in Baqouba city hospital
- Religious scholar Qardawi: Resisting occupation in Iraq and Palestine, duty on all
- Yemeni political parties condemn decision on deporting Arafat and international negative stance
- Suspects in blowing the oil pipeline, arrested
- U.S. security retains Yemeni delegation at Dallas airport
- YSP demands for disclosure of killers of tens of its leaders in recent years

mostly they are nominal because of the authority and its ruling party control over leaders of trade unionist work. Students unions suffer from the same conditions of those of trade unions. When talking about the condition of students unions they have been built on false foundations. The cause of their failure is the competition among the political parties-authority and opposition- on the students arena to gains the biggest possible number of seats of the students union. This in turn leads to changing the trade unionist work into a partisan work. Amidst of this confusion interests of students get lost because of

narrow loyalties to parties. It is admitted that political and partisan work among students is something legitimate but it should be within the limits of means, as partisan work is a means not an end.

**Al-Ihya'a al-Arabi weekly, organ of the National Arab Baath Socialist Party, 18 Sept.2003.**

## Main headlines:

- Colin Powell received with two bloody days against American forces in Iraq
- Skeikh al-Ahmar accuses the government of interfering in elections

- Demonstrations and sits-in by teachers in Taiz

Columnist Dr Mohammed Jawad Faris says in the midst of the Iraqi people resistance of the Anglo-American occupation the Iraqi intellectuals have divided into two camps. Some of them have paved the way for the invasion and occupation of their country in propagating the theory to the Americans that the Iraqis would receive the with flowers while others stood up to defend the homeland, especially the inhabitants of the south who fought bravely against the invasion and resisted the aggression for three weeks. The resistance of the small southern town of Um Qasr could not be forgotten. The Iraqi intellectual is today called for supporting the resistance from the north of the country to the south and from the east to the west to expel the occupying forces and give the Iraqi people the right in choosing their regime.

**26 September weekly, organ of the Yemen Armed Forces, 18 Sept.2003.**

## Main headlines:

- President Saleh: We regret the American veto, what happens in Palestine the biggest terror in the world
  - PM Bajamal: We will discuss economic, technical and oil cooperation in Qatar
  - Interior minister: We are determined to stabilize security and fighting terror
  - Implementer of kidnapping the employee at the Egyptian embassy, identified
  - A group of infiltrators arrested off-shore Dhaba port, Hadramout
- The newspaper editorial has been devoted to the 58th anniversary of the establishment of the General Assembly of the United Nations, saying we find ourselves facing many questions that should be aroused regardless of availability of their answers because just putting them would excite those interested in the future of the United Nations in discussing the issues those questions would stir in the attempt to understand the reality of the organisation. The strategy of the American national security in September 2002 mentioned that there

was no country in the world capable alone of building a safe world and a better world. This means among other things an acceptance of pluralism and confirmation of participation, and that pluralism is a means not an end.

As the United Nations represents the most advanced example of pluralism where many countries convene to work together for protecting peace and security of the world and solving problems of the world, it is a common sense then the countries must endeavour to preserve it and protect it, and such a responsibility lies on the United States of America in the first place. So how could we understand the American policies towards the UN since the end of the Cold War, its shouldering the task of the world affairs as a sole dominating power? What are the returns on America from its policies? Is it for the American good to marginalize the role of the Security Council and to act singly in imposing the decisions it takes and then who is the beneficiary from the war on Iraq? We in Yemen, while waiting meetings of the general assembly we fully realize the importance of this meeting because it comes after two years since the horrible events of 11 September which Yemen has condemned the same as the world states did. The hope was then there would be a unified international stand to be taken against terror and identifying it and knowing its causes and dealing with it in a comprehensive way. We are also fully aware that the use of force is one of the ways of fighting it. Nevertheless we see today an international inability of facing terror. Perhaps the policies pursued during the past period have increased the area of its activity and created new seminaries for it. What increased resentment and anxiety are practices of the big powers in the world and their insistence on using force in the way and the time they wished. The events happening around us and heralds of confrontations that may erupt in the Gulf or South-East Asia or internal disturbances in addition to escalation of the wave of extremism and violence make meetings of the United Nations decisive through adopting resolutions drawing up bases for restoring international legitimacy and restoring to the UN its status and role in keeping world peace and security.

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## Advanced HTML (6)

# HTML Frames



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Many web sites use frames as a way of dividing the screen into independent rectangular areas, within which different HTML files can be displayed. Typically one or more of these areas can scroll independently from the others. A very common stylistic device is to use one frame for a series of navigation buttons and another to present scrolling content corresponding to the menu choices.

Creating frames is relatively simple. A frameset is created to act as containers for HTML resources. The HTML resources displayed in the frames and the frameset itself are completely independent. The HTML code needed to add a frame is as follows:

```
<HTML> <HEAD> </HEAD>
<FRAMESET COLS="300," >
<FRAME SRC="Content1.html">
<FRAME
SRC="Content2.html">
</FRAMESET>
</BODY> </HTML>
```

The size of the columns is defined in the <FRAMESET COLS=SIZE ROWS=SIZE> TAG. The size can be specified in a number of different ways. In this example, we have a column 200 pixels wide, with a second column (specified as \*) filling the rest of the available screen width. It is possible to use percentages (i.e. 30 %) or ratios.

Rows are specified in a similar way. If ROWS is not specified the result is one row by default. Similarly if COLS is not specified there will be horizontal borders. The frame tag is used to specify the individual frames. It has the following form:

```
<FRAME SRC=source
NAME=name
SCROLLING=value NORE-
SIZE>
```

- SRC specifies the HTML file

that will be displayed in the frame. Like any source, this can be any URL.

- NAME gives the frame a name. This is a useful feature that makes using one frame as a menu to control another frame which is easy to set up.

- SCROLLING defines whether scrollbars will be displayed if the content is too big for the frame. The scroll bars are similar to those that are familiar from normal Windows usage. The values can be YES, NO or AUTO. Normally the SCROLLING attribute can be omitted, and AUTO is the default which means scrollbars are displayed when needed.

- NORESIZE is optional. If used it prevents the user from dragging the margin to resize a frame. Recall that you were able to do this with our experimental file.

Usually, it is required to have a button click on an item in one frame display a resource in another frame. By default the usual HTML link mechanism can only change the resource displayed in the same frame. A mechanism is needed to change the resource displayed in a different frame. The addition of the NAME attribute allows the frame to be identified and referenced. The extended version of the Link tag is:

```
<A HREF="url"
TARGET="target">
```

In this case if TARGET is set to another frame, the browser will display the HREF url, in the target frame.

Let's put all of these attributes in one example. Suppose we need to display a message in different languages. The user will have to click over a hyperlink to display the message in that language as it looks in Fig1.

In this example, when the user clicks on "English", the message written in English will be displayed inside the frame and if he/she clicked on "عربي" the Arabic mes-

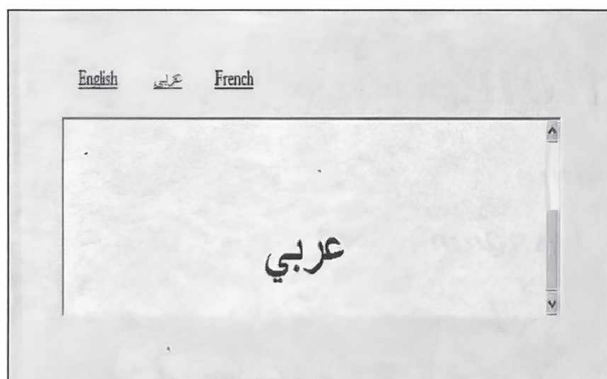


Fig1

```
<html>
<head>
<body bgcolor="#C0FFEE">
<a target="frame1" href="eng.htm">English</a>
<a target="frame1"
href="arabic.htm">عربي</a>
<a href="french.htm">French</a>
<p align="center">

<frame name="frame1" COLS="539" ROWS="150" style="background-
color: #FFFFFF">
</frame></p>
</body>
</html>
```

Fig 2



sage will be displayed instead. Check the code for this HTML file in Fig 2.

Notice in the code:

- For each language, you have to create a separate HTML file.
- In the hyperlink tags, you add the target attribute.
- The NAME attribute in the frame tag should be added so that it could be referenced.

### Designing With Frames

Frames are easy to use even when constructing web pages without any special tools. This is also a problem, since we, site designers, may over-use frames. This can make a web site very difficult for a user to understand. The best web site designers use frames in a restrained way and will often provide an alternative version of the web site without frames. This can be done without completely redesigning all the web pages.

### Java

Java has become an important language for programming on the Internet and particularly for web site development. It is essential that web site designers have a good appreciation of what Java can offer and how it can be used. Java began as a programming language designed for consumer products like microwave ovens and toasters. This environment has some unique requirements; foremost of which is that control software must be able to work on a wide variety of different microcontrollers. This software must also be extremely reliable; bugs can cause major product recalls. Workers at Sun Microsystems wanted to meet this requirement. The team realized that such a programming language would be ideal for other applications as well. In particular it was clear that the new language (Java) would be ideal for use by the Internet systems. Java is designed for use on networks and particularly the Internet. Java has the concept of using resources located on remote hosts built-in; it understands URLs.

### Java Applets

Java can be used to write entire applications just like a conventional programming language. All that is required to run them is a Java interpreter. Java is also very popular for writing applets (small applications). These are intended for use within a web browser and cannot be run as a stand-alone application. Typically applets extend the capabilities of the browser, or provide web site specific functionality. Java applets are usually very small. This means that they can be downloaded from web sites very quickly. All up-to-date web browsers contain Java interpreters. This allows web sites to use applets in a very flexible fashion. Many web site designers wish to extend the impact of their sites by adding such applets.

If you have any questions about the lessons please send me an e-mail to ayatharazi@hotmail.com.

Next week: More in Advanced HTML

# Preparing for Interviews: Some Useful Tips



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Many of us need to face interviews of one kind or another. Students, in particular, prepare themselves for job interviews. It is therefore important to know a few practical techniques which may help them to give a good account about themselves to the interviewers.

The word 'interview' is derived from the French word "entrevoir" meaning "glimpse" or "sight between" or "view between". An interview in its widest sense may be defined as "a formalized conversation usually conducted for some specific purpose, i.e. to get answers from someone who has them, to probe for the reasons behind a situation, to brief someone in preparation for a task or to measure a person's qualification for a job opening. A job interview however indicates an occasion when a person is asked questions by one or more other people to decide whether he or she is a suitable person to be given the job.

### (A) Preparation for an interview

Success in an interview largely depends on the candidate's ability to respond adequately, appropriately, and convincingly to the questions posed by the members of the interview board. An intelligent preparation is therefore necessary to give an impressive performance. The following points may be borne in mind, which may stand the candidate in good stead.

### 1-Learn about the organization

It is useful to gather some useful information about the prospective organization, such as its brief history, its performance, and the nature of the job. Such information can be obtained from various sources like the company's annual reports, brochures, etc. It gives the candidate confidence and helps him/her to establish a better rapport with the interviewers.

### 2- Background information about the candidate

The applicant should go well prepared about his/her educational background, professional training and experience including hobbies and interests which make the candidate particularly suitable for the job. All these details should be convincingly presented to win the selectors' appreciation.

### 3- Awareness of current affairs

In an interview one is more often asked questions relating to current national and international affairs, besides questions concerning the candidate's areas of specialization. So, it is advisable to be well informed about the important happenings and have a definite perspective about them.

### 4- Possible questions:

The candidate should intelligently guess question likely to be asked in an interview. Often, one is asked open-ended questions which one is required to answer in some detail. Examples of some of these questions are the following:

- How would you benefit the organization if selected?
- Why do you want to leave your present job?
- Why do you consider yourself suitable for this job?
- What are your expectations?
- What are your hobbies and interests?
- What are your strengths and weaknesses?

Suppose you are faced with a problem like 'x', how would you go about solving it?

One should go equipped with well-thought out answers to such questions and confidently answer them.

Before proceeding to the venue of the interview check whether all the certificates, testimonials and other documents are in order. These should be serially arranged and kept in a nice folder. Dress up in a smart, presentable manner. Avoid looking gorgeous. Proceed to the venue well before the scheduled time and remain seated there until your turn comes.

### (B) Points to remember during the interview

#### 1-Project a pleasing personality

Remember that you are being very closely observed by a group of experts. However, don't feel nervous. Have a positive attitude and reflect charm and poise as a natural part of your personality. This cannot be achieved overnight. You should know the essentials of good manners and carefully practise them. To cultivate a pleasing personality, study people around you who have a pleasing personality.

#### 2- Avoid mannerisms

Some candidates become very nervous and lose self-control in an interview. In such unguarded moments they display certain mannerisms which prove to be their undoing. Some people bite nails or scratch side burns or constantly look down or at the ceiling while answering questions. Such mannerisms betray a lack of self-confidence and are reckoned as negative points. So avoid them.

#### 3- Entry points

When you are called in, just before entering the interview hall, adjust your dress, give a gentle knock on the door and enter, not, of course, forgetting to shut the door behind you. On entering, mark the distance between you and the interviewers. In case there is a reasonably good distance go upto half way of the hall and, with a slight bow and a smiling face wish according to the time of the day. However, if the distance is not much, wish at the entry point, walk upto the interview table, stand behind the chair meant for you and wait till the chairperson or an interviewer motions you to the

chair. If you are not offered chair for a while, politely ask permission to sit: "May I sit down please?" While wishing the members, first look at the chairperson and then at other members.

#### 4-Sitting posture

Sit comfortably, confidently and straight. Don't look tense, don't rest your arms and hands on the table. Don't sit cross-armed or cross-legged. Wear a natural smile and make eye contact with the members while answering their questions.

#### 5- Be attentive

You should understand the question clearly and correctly before answering. Don't begin to answer abruptly. Don't interrupt the interviewer. Don't bluff. Give a clear and precise answer. If, however, you couldn't hear the question clearly, you may ask, "Excuse me, Sir, could you repeat the question, please?"

#### 6- Mind your expression

Choose simple and straightforward expression. Avoid complex sentences and relative clauses as far as possible. Don't use slang or clichés or colloquial expressions. Your simple language should reflect the clarity of your thoughts and ideas.

#### 7-Avoid negative comments

Interviewers appreciate honesty, frankness, and a positive attitude. So, desist from unnecessarily criticizing others or your former employer, for that matter. If, however, criticism becomes inevitable, try and be unbiased and objective.

#### 8-Be judicious

Sometimes interviewers want to put you under stress to see your calmness, poise and emotional equilibrium. Don't be provoked even if an interviewer makes an unsavoury comment. Show your tolerance, prudence and take the comment with a stride without ever being agitated.

#### 9- Be tactful

Sometimes the candidate is bombarded by a barrage of questions. In such a situation, keep cool and be tactful. Take the questions one by one and answer briefly in a focussed manner.

#### (C) Ending an interview

After the interview is over, thank all the members of the board. Say something like: "I'm indeed grateful to you for a very lively interaction. I have benefited a lot from this experience. Thank you very much". Stand up gently, put the chair back, but don't push it violently. With a slight bow turn back and proceed straight to the door. Don't look back to see their reaction.

Taking interview is both an art and a science. It is a skill, which can be practised and cultivated. Yet it has certain defined steps and procedures which, if scrupulously followed, can certainly pave the way to success.

Good luck!

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Work is worship, work is prayer,  
The talisman to progress is sheer labour.  
Rarely is a genius born, geniuses indeed are made  
Leave never a stone unturned, be never in the shade.

The 'haves' and 'have nots' never dreamt our creator,  
The greed for wealth and power reared the divider.  
'Oh! the white wealthy West, the black poor East',  
'Wise men' of the West bugled so, the East with all its 'higher wisdom' slept fast.

Effect ... colonialism spread, Europe turned the rulers, and the rest the ruled,  
Centuries passed, Asia, Africa and South America awoke and revolted.

The empire of the West, where the sun never set,  
Did become dark due to Mahatmas' might and right.

The old order crumbled, a new one is yet to be born  
The politicians and the nascent nations thus believed  
But the geo-centers alone shifted, 'the other' never got relieved,  
Neo MNCs controlled economic colonialism is being fast born.

'Hurry up please! It's time'. 'Awake, arise and act'  
Can't the doomed ones work to change the center to react?  
Rage, rage against poverty, hunger and disease  
Educate, enlighten, bridle the boons of science

To transform the man-wrought fate of millions.  
Eritrea, Congo, Liberia, Bangladesh and many more are in famine's grips  
AIDS, cancer, SARS and the like need to

be banished  
Orphans, helpless women and poor children are to be saved.

There is no time to stand and stare  
The developed, the developing and the underdeveloped nations  
Should strive to share and rear a better fair  
Where 'equality, liberty and fraternity' become man's rich possessions.

'Remembrance of things past' may be sweet and bitter,  
But never again slip into slumber, G8s, EU and USA are agile, remember.  
The Middle East, China, Russia, India and the like could count,  
But the path to reckoning is only through judicious effort.

Be not slaves of depression, defeat and dejection  
Let a new world order of peace and plenty be your creation.  
'The flowers of good'; children of 'the other world', vow to rewrite history.  
Do not sleep, work and work to weave a new story.

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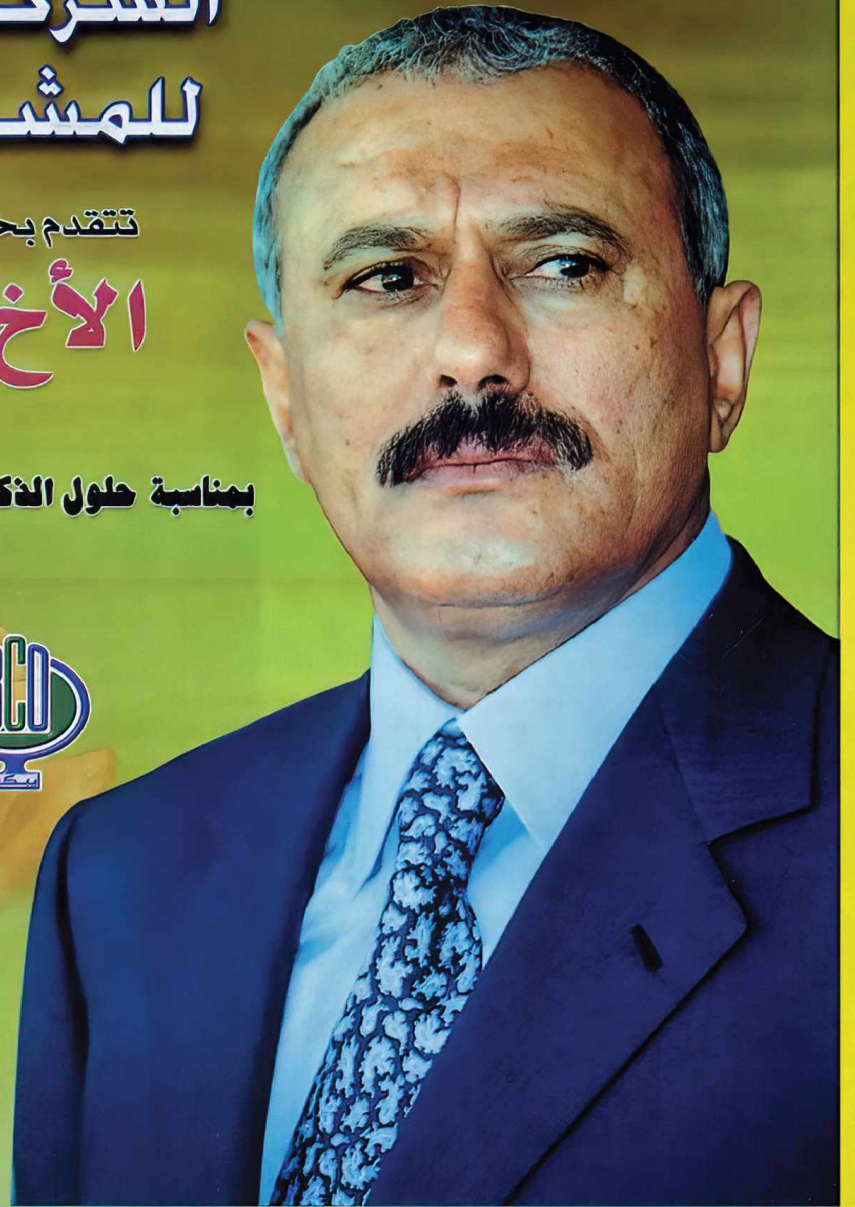
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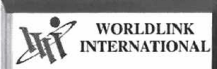
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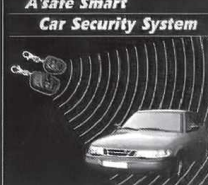
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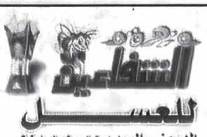
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## Was it protesting US occupation? US soldier kills raging Baghdad tiger

BAGHDAD (Reuters) - A U.S. soldier has shot dead a rare Bengal tiger at Baghdad zoo after the animal injured another soldier who was trying to feed it through the cage bars, the zoo's manager says.

Adil Salman Mousa told Reuters a group of U.S. soldiers were having a party in the zoo on Thursday night after it had closed.

"Someone was trying to feed the tigers," he said on Saturday. "The tiger bit his finger off and clawed his arm. So his colleague took a gun and shot the tiger."

The night watchman said the soldiers had arrived in military vehicles but were casually dressed and were drinking beer.

A U.S. military spokesman con-



firmed that a member of the coalition forces shot and killed a tiger but gave no further details.

At the tiger's cage, now empty, pools of blood showed that the soldier passed through a first cage intended only for keepers and stood next to the inner cage's narrow bars.

Mousa said U.S. officials came to see him on Friday to discuss the incident.

The tiger was one of two in the zoo, once the largest in the Middle East but today a decrepit collection of dirty cages and sad-looking animals.

In April, U.S. soldiers killed four lions that had escaped from the zoo. Hundreds of other animals were stolen or let loose by looters in the aftermath of the U.S. invasion of the Iraqi capital.

## Hero kangaroo Lulu

CANBERRA (Reuters) - A kangaroo named Lulu has been hailed a hero for saving an unconscious Australian farmer by alerting the man's wife and leading her to where he lay trapped under a fallen tree branch.

Hobby farmer Leonard Richards was checking for storm damage on his property at Tanjil South, 150 km (93 miles) east of Melbourne, on Sunday morning when he was hit by a falling branch.

In a story reminiscent of the long-running Australian children's television series Skippy, in which a pet kangaroo rescued people in distress in the Australian bush, the kangaroo began barking until Richards' wife came to investigate.

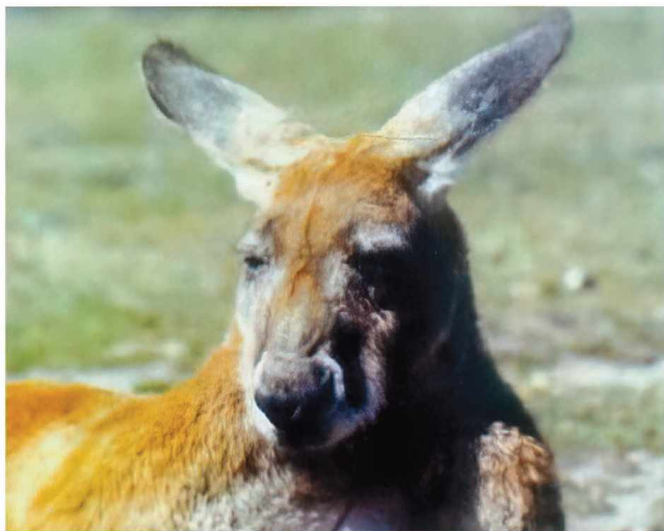
She found her husband lying unconscious under a tree about 200 metres (650 feet) from the house, guarded by the grey kangaroo, Lulu was hand-reared by the Richards family, who rescued her from her mother's pouch and fed her on bottles after her mother was killed by a car about four years ago.

"Dad was totally out of it and Lulu was sitting by him in the bush making this really unusual yapping noise until Mum got there," Richards' 19-year-old son Luke told Reuters.

"It was so lucky. Dad could have been there for hours if it wasn't for her," he said.

Richards was taken to hospital with suspected head injuries but allowed home on Sunday night.

Animal welfare group the Royal Society for the



Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA) called for Lulu to be nominated for its annual national bravery award.

"This award is given to animals who do something for humans of an exceptional nature and Lulu certainly has done that," national president Hugh Wirth told Reuters.

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