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## Yemeni government refuses to meet Gitmo detainees' lawyers

By: Nisreen Shadad

SANA'A, May 27 - "Where's my father?" These are the words with which Abdullah Ismail Al-Raymi began his remarks, causing most attendees to shed tears at a press conference regarding defending Yemeni Guantánamo detainees' rights and releasing them.

The detainees' families and sons came to contribute to the press conference. Attending with his mother and little brother, fifth-grader Al-Raymi noted, "Today was the last day of examinations, so I came after I finished my

"After several days, my exam results will come, but who will sign it? Who will carry me on his shoulders cheerfully? Dad, I miss you. I'd like to show

you my diary and my accomplishments. I go to sleep with the hope of meeting you. I'm waiting for you, Dad, to awaken me," Al-Raymi said.

He continued, "I demand President Saleh, all human rights organizations, fathers, mothers and all children whose fathers remain behind the bars of oppression to stand tall together and not neglect to do so after this conference is over and we return home.'

A delegation of 14 volunteer lawyers representing Yemeni detainees at the U.S. detention center in Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, traveled to Yemen to meet with President Ali Abdullah Saleh and relieve the worries of the detainees' families last Sunday. However, the refusal of security and government officials to meet with them made the

chance to release the detainees more

All European detainees at Guantánamo have been released, as have most detainees from other countries, while only eight Yemeni detainees have been released. Yemenis comprise the highest number of detainees, at a third of those remaining.

Martha Payner, an associate clinical law professor at Lincoln Square Legal Service representing four Gitmo detainees, two of which are Yemenis, observed, "Several weeks ago, President Saleh traveled to the U.S. to meet with President [George W.] Bush; however, the issues they discussed weren't made known to the media or to public opinion in America.

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Fahd Ghazi's daughter is demanding the return of her father from the Guantánamo Bay U.S. detention center.

## Press displeased with blocking of mobile news services

By: Ismail Al-Ghabri

to Yemen?

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SANA'A, May 26 - The press and those interested in news services provided by GSM companies denounced blocking the news services of Nass Mobile and Without Chains Mobile, respectively telecast by Al-Nass Establishment for Press and Women Journalists Without Chains and provided by Yemen's MTN telecommunications company. They also denounced the nonstop blocking of Al-Shoura.net and Aleshteraki.net web sites by Yemen's Telecommunications Ministry.

The Yemeni Journalists Syndicate expressed full solidarity with Al-Nass Establishment for Press and Women Journalists Without Chains against their news services being blocked.

MTN Yemen announced on Friday evening that it made the decision following political pressure from the authority.

Hamdi Al-Bukari, a member of the Yemeni Journalists Syndicate's council, assured that MTN Yemen's conduct is illegal and an aggression against customers' rights. He added that the syndicate will take a strong stance on such violations, noting that it will review many of its previous transactions.

Al-Bukari further indicated that the syndicate will escalate its protests against the deterioration of press freedom in Yemen and called for extended meetings at the syndicate's headquarters to discuss the press freedom situation

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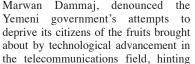
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regarding blocking electronic web sites

The syndicate's secretary-general,

and halting GSM news services.

deprive its citizens of the fruits brought about by technological advancement in the telecommunications field, hinting that such a practice reveals that the government isn't pleased about freedom of Dammaj also demanded a decisive

and blatant attitude by all people against such dangerous violations, at the same time calling for a halt to blocking electronic web sites and stopping such blocking in the future.

In its statement, Establishment for Press criticized MTN Yemen's halting of its news service, especially as it was done without any legal justification, and considers it a violation of the agreement it signed with a mediating firm in Yemen.

It added that the political resolution to halt Nass Mobile news service is a dangerous sign indicating the totalitarian mind of the authorities who are incapable of coping with the prerequisites of Yemeni law and its constitution, which ensure freedom of expression and the right of receivers to access information.

Sabafon Chairman Hamid Al-Ahmar pointed out that there are no legal hindrances to providing news services via SMS, especially under the Yemeni Constitution, which ensures freedom of opinion and media, noting that his company provides news services of both national and foreign parties under legal

Al-Ahmar further declared that both his firm and MTN Yemen have received numerous notices from the Information and Telecommunications Ministries asking them to halt the news service of

Without Chains Mobile. Sabafon declined the ministries' demands, but MTN yielded to the illegal pressure.

Al-Ahmar stressed that his company won't break treaties signed with news service providers and further requested adopting a law as the sole authority in this regard.

Yemen Journalists Syndicate Chairman Nasr Taha Mustafa affirmed that there are legal problems regarding providing news services via GSM companies, but he called for handling such problems aside from each side's reactionary attitudes.

In the Sunday edition of Al-Siyasiah newspaper, Mustafa noted that the Information Ministry must compel those wanting to launch mobile news services, such as Nass Mobile or Without Chains Mobile, to receive permission from the ministry, just as September Mobile did. Continued on page 3

#### Al-Alimi: All Sa'ada seized by army

By: Mohammed bin Sallam

SA'ADA, May 27 - Yemeni Interior Minister Rashad Al-Alimi assures that the security situation in Sa'ada governorate is under control and that the Yemeni army has seized all districts except Ghamer, Qataber and Razih, which it hasn't entered yet because the armed forces don't want to shed civilian blood.

In a Thursday press conference at the Yemeni Cabinet headquarters in Sana'a, Al-Alimi noted that Houthi loyalists are using civilians as shields, adding that army and security forces eventually will enter those areas in a manner they deem suitable.

He went on to report that Yemeni security forces managed to foil several explosives implanted in areas of Sana'a, stressing that Houthis have sent numerous elements to the capital city to carry out terrorist acts, the most



Dr. Rashad Al-Alimi

recent of which was a bomb explosion near the Defense Ministry, causing serious injury to two children. One later died and the other still is being treated.Shiite

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## In brief

#### HODEIDA

Power off as generator explodes May 26 — An electrical generator in Hodeida city exploded on Friday evening, thereby leading to power's being cut off in five densely populated zones in the city. Sources at the power station stated that the explosion was caused by an electrical fault that set the electrical generator aflame. Other electrical cables were subjected to a similar electrical fault in Jamal Street last week leaving three people injured and burning a house. People living in different districts throughout Hodeida usually complain to the concerned authorities that they stay for hours with the power off.

#### SANA'A

#### Second annual report on human rights

May 27 — Yemen Human Rights Observatory launched on Sunday its second annual report on human rights and democracy in Yemen. The observatory released a statement saying that the report covers all the positive and negative aspects of human rights experienced in Yemen during 2006. The report is composed of four chapters, the first of which focused on civil and political rights and the second on economic, social and cultural rights. The other two chapters discussed special group rights and democratic reforms.

### WB Executive Director arrives in Sana'a for talks

May 26 — Executive Director of the World Bank (WB) Mirza Hasan arrived in the Yemeni capital Sana'a last Friday to hold talks with senior government officials on different areas of cooperation, Yemen News Agency, Saba, reported. Upon his arrival, Hasan said that the talks aim to seek a way to draw up the strategy of WB's support for several sectors in Yemen such as water and investment.

### New health projects to be established

May 26 — Minister of Health Dr. Abdulkarim Rasie declared last Saturday that his ministry is planning to establish two specialized hospitals, one is for cancer treatment and the other is for neurology and orthopedics. "The first project's cost is estimated at \$16 million and the other is worth \$72 million", Almotamar.net quoted Rasie as saying. The official added that the Ministry of Health and Population has other plans to establish specialized departments for treating chronic diseases including cancer in the provincial capitals of the country.

#### AL-DHALE'

### Opposition leader injured in accident

May 26 — Head of the Islah Party's Executive Office in Al-Dhale' governorate Sa'ad Muthanna Al-Robbya was injured last week in a road accident in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and is now receiving treatment in a Mecca hospital. The Islah Party's General Secretariat and office in Al-Dhale' inquired about Al-Robbya's health and wished him quick recovery from injuries. An official source at the party's office in the governorate said in a statement to Al-Sahwa.net that Al-Robbya faced minor injuries and is due to return Home soon.

#### TAIZ

## AFSC organizes poem recital function

May 25 — Al-Sa'eed Foundation for Science and Culture organized last Thursday a poem recital function in the presence of the Moroccan famous poetess Lwaiza Poulter and the Syrian Poetess Nawal Al-Hiwar. Many well-known Yemeni poets took part in the event. Opening the function, AFSC General Manager Faisal Sa'eed Fare'e gave a speech in which he declared that the event is of great significance as it coincides with the 17th Anniversary of Yemen's national unity.

Following a Yemen Times investigative report

## Parliament exposes poor health standards in Aden

ADEN, May 26 — Following a Yemen Times report published last August, a parliamentary committee was mandated to investigate the leads, which the report highlighted regarding the tragic health situation in Aden.

The governorate experiences poor health standards, about-to-collapse medical facilities, and deteriorating levels of sanitation as well as nutrition, a parliamentary report said. Prepared by the Parliamentary Public Health and Population Committee that visited the governorate in April 2006, the report revealed that many projects, approved by the five-year plan 2001 – 2005, have not been implemented.

The report criticized the absence of clear policies and visions to suggest possible solutions to the persisting problems in different health institutions, confirming that facilities are exposed to collapse due to climate-related factors, negligence, and lack of maintenance.

According to the report, the Jumhury Teaching Hospital needs reconstruction after it has been used for a long time without good maintenance.



Laundry facility at the Jumhori Hospital in es. It indicated that the called-

Furthermore, it adds that the hospital's poor sanitation, which is responsible for the spread of malaria and other epidemics, may force the hospital to collapse.

The report went on to say that Al-Wahda Hospital for Motherhood and babyhood is deteriorating due to poor maintenance and restoration. The committee expressed concern about the low levels of cleaning and nutrition in the governorate. It said that millions of Riyals are wasted in these sectors' proj-

ects without any benefit, particularly as certain companies are monopolizing the construction and maintenance of medical facilities in the governorate. In other words, no other bidders are allowed to compete for any health project tenders.

The committee affirmed that the governorate's health facilities need to be supplied with qualified staff in order to provide good medical services. It indicated that the called-upon hospitals lack the sim-

plest medical equipment, mainly in intensive care units and operation rooms, adding that hospital administrations don't care for providing the necessary equipment though they receive returns from the poor medical services they offer.

During its visit, the committee observed that patients are suffering from tragic situations in the governorate's hospitals which lack the simplest medical equipments and ventilation systems.

## Amnesty denounces Yemen's poor human rights record

By: Moneer Al-Omari

SANA'A, May 26 — Amnesty International recently issued a report about the state of the world's human rights and freedoms. The organization recorded human rights violations in nearly all countries worldwide; however, the volume of violations was relative to each particular country.

Violations included killings, detentions outside of the law, violence against women and children, forced displacement, etc. Yemen wasn't exempt, as the organization registered numerous human rights violations.

Within the context of the U.S.-led "War on Terror," Yemen arrested dozens of individuals, holding them in secret detentions without trial. The organization criticized governments, including Yemen's, for authorizing their various security apparatuses and institutions to detain and terrorize their political foes and the criminally suspect

Those who stood trial were brought before specialized and military courts instead of trying them before the appropriate courts, something considered a violation of detainees' basic rights.

Although both European and other foreign observation groups described Yemen's presidential and local elections as "genuine and open," several rival party supporters were arrested and opposition web sites were blocked either partially or completely.

Moreover, women largely were denied rights to be nominated and all political parties lagged behind in complying with their earlier promises to nominate women. Women candidates comprised just two percent of the total

number of candidates in local elections.

Dozens of Houthi followers, whom Amnesty describes as members of the Zaidi community, were detained following the second Sa'ada war. Most were later freed after President Ali Abdullah Saleh issued a general amnesty; however, the rest remained in jails.

Hundreds have been killed in the

four Sa'ada wars between 2004 and 20071 however, the exact number remains unrecorded as both independent observers and the media have been denied access to affected areas in Sa'ada.

Those known as the Sana'a Cell-37 and charged with plotting to target Yemeni military personnel and civil institutions faced formal trial and were denied the right to appeal. One was sentenced to death while the others received varying prison terms.

The list of violations grows regarding those arrested and detained for links to terrorist organizations, as those suspected of such are detained without charge or trial. They also are denied access to lawyers or courts.

Such detention wasn't confined just to Yemenis, but included foreigners in Yemen as well. Five Europeans were arrested in October 2006 for allegedly smuggling arms to Somalia, but later released without charge.

Additionally, three Yemeni detainees, who represent the largest group at the U.S. detention center in Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, died in detention, with U.S. authorities claiming they committed suicide. Additionally, those Yemenis released by U.S. authorities were re-jailed upon their arrival in Yemen.

The Amnesty report also criticized abuse of power and little or no effort by security forces to offer suspects the opportunity to surrender, as in the case of Al-Qaeda prison escapees Fawaz Al-Rubi'e and Mohammed Al-Dailami, who reportedly were fired upon by helicopter gunfire The two were among a group of more than 20 Al-Qaeda suspects who escaped from political security in February 2006.

Under what it described as "prisoners of conscience," the report recorded numerous violations. Relatives of those suspected or wanted by authorities also were detained in an effort to force the wanted suspects to surrender.

Moreover, the report denounced the curtailing of freedom of expression in Yemen, citing the Yemen Observer, Al-Hurriya and Al-Rai Al-Aam newspapers as examples of both publishers and reporters being tried for republishing the Danish caricatures of the Prophet Mohammed (pbuh).

It further denounced the 2005 killing of refugees as Yemeni security forces brutally used arms to disperse dozens of refugees and asylum seekers during a sit-in outside of the Sana'a-based United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees office. Seven refugees were killed and several others sustained serious to minor injuries.

Amnesty International is a world-wide movement struggling for internationally recognized rights. It is an organization whose main aim is to prevent and end grave abuse of the rights to physical and mental integrity, freedom of conscience and expression and freedom from discrimination within the context of its work to promote all human rights.

## 2006 Annual report of democracy and Human rights issued

SANA'A, May 27 — Yemeni Observatory for Human Rights issued on Sunday its 2006 report on human rights and democracy in Yemen. The report praised the recent presidential and local elections; wherein the citizen was able to practice his own rights.

It added that the electoral process was conducted in a safe and impartial atmosphere and candidates as well as voters enjoyed a full freedom; however, there was a setback related to ballot and vote counting which witnessed many violations.

Furthermore, the observatory expressed its worry over some passive phenomena that accompanied the electoral process as to exploiting public money, job, media, and security apparatuse.

It also denounced the conduct of security personnel as they tried to hinder voters from reaching voting centers. Moreover, the Supreme Committee for Elections and Memorandum was not capable enough of administering the electoral process.

Meanwhile, the observatory recorded the developments as to human rights and

democracy, maintaining that its work was hindered by the shortage of information from the official sources as well as the lack of transparency of governmental bodies when dealing with civil society organizations. The partnership the observatory made with some civil organizations and field reporters in governments helped the success of the report.

Mohammed Al-Maqtari, the observatory's executive director, indicated that the report aims to help protecting and boosting human rights as well as developing the democratic process in Yemen through recording the violations of human rights and analyzing the development factors by identifying drawbacks, pertaining to laws or in-charge individuals.

He added that the report aims at enabling non-governmental organizations to set strategies so as to face the organized and disorganized violations. It is worth mentioning that the report comprises many chapters related to civic rights, political rights, economic rights, cultural rights, and democratic reform rights.

#### AWO to empower Yemeni Women

SANA'A, May 26 — A Yemeni delegation headed by Rashidah Al-Hamdani, Chairperson of the Women National Committee (WNC) is participating in the third meeting of the Supreme Council of the Arab Women Organization (AWO). The meeting begun on Sunday in Abu Dhabi of the United Arab Emirates, under the auspices of Sheikha Fatima bint Mubarak, President of the Supreme Council of the Organization.

It is expected that the meeting will discuss the organization's plan for the years 2008 -2012, the evaluation of the previous plan, as well as, the joining of new Arab Countries to the organization.

Hooria Mashour, Vice-Chairperson of WNC, stated to Yemen Times that a presentation of a number of draft field studies on women as well as on economy, health, media, and education will be demonstrated in the meeting. She also indicated that this year's meeting will focus on the political empowerment of women and the legal reforms.

Further, she elaborated that "the most vital issues which will be highlighted by the new plan are the legal reforms in the Personal Status Laws of

the Arab countries, empowering women socially, and looking into the Convention of Eliminating Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) from an Islamic Perspective."

Al-Hamdani also participated in the sixth extraordinary meeting of the Executive Board of the Arab Women's Organization which took place between 24-25 May in Abu Dhabi. The meeting discussed procedures for cooperation with counterpart organizations in the region.

Additionally, the meeting discussed the Republic of the Sudan's proposal to add two articles on the agenda of the third meeting of the Supreme Council on the creation of a new vision to strengthen enforcement of the recommendations, follow-up meetings of the organization, evaluation of previous projects, as well as the AWO role towards Palestinian women prisoners and their children in Israeli jails.

It is worth mentioning that the Supreme Council meeting is held every two years with the participation of its former presidents and representatives from 14 Arab member countries.

## Yemen and Singapore discuss aspects of bilateral relations

SANA'A, May 27 — In a series of meetings held over the period of May 23-26, Yemen and Singapore agreed to enhance their bilateral relations especially in aspects related to administrative and economic fields and to increase investments and trade exchange. The two countries also discussed mechanisms of cultural cooperation.

Both countries also agreed to facilitate issuing visas after a discussion meeting between the Yemeni Interior Minister Rashad Al-Alimi and the Singaporean Foreign Minister George Yeo. In addition, the two sides discussed boosting the security cooperation.

Yoe assured that his country is seri-

ous about enhancing its relations with Yemen as evidenced by his visit together with many Singaporean officials and businessmen. He further pointed out that Singapore has appointed a non-resident ambassador to Yemen, a step before a full representation. He also expressed his country's readiness to increase the number of training scholarships given to Yemenis and review the air transport treaty.

In his meeting with Yeo, Yemeni Prime Minister Ali Majawar presented the investment opportunities available before Singaporean businessmen especially in tourism sector, outlining the numerous facilities and benefits of Yemeni investment law.

## Qatar leading an expedition to promote tourism in Yemen

SANA'A-May, 26 — Qatar is leading an expedition to search Yemeni ancient pieces as well as to preserve them. According to official sources in al-Dawha and Sana'a, the Amir of Qatar, Shaikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al Thani, during his visit to Yemen in May, launched an expedition to preserve Yemeni heritage.

This expedition aims at drilling for Yemeni ancient remains. Also, It intends to preserve and establish tourism areas in Yemen; particularly in Marib, al-Jawf, Hadhramout, and Shabwa. Moreover, Qatar promised to promote Yemen to be one of the important areas for tourism.

Yemen is rich in old treasures; ancient dams, and skyscrapers. These include the mud-brick "skyscrapers" of historic Shibam in the Hadramaut region. Surrounded by a fortified wall, this 16th-century city is one of the oldest and best examples of urban planning which is based on the principle of

vertical construction, hence, it is nicknamed 'the Manhattan of the desert'. Shibam was placed on the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1982.

Marib is the area that is linked by some people with the Queen of Sheba. The Dam, the most famous of all ancient Yemeni ruins, is around 8km to the south-west of Marib. It was a huge structure, 35m high, 720m long, and 60m wide at the foundations, which were built of huge pieces of stone covered with rough volcanic rock.

At the tip of the dam, two gaps were left open through which water flowed into the irrigation system and canals, which, as believed, watered more than 70 sq. km of arable land in Marib Valley. The construction of the dam, according to inscriptions, dates back to the 8th century BC.

Sana'a, as well, is not less important than the other regions. It has been inhabited for more than 2,500 years. According to legends, it was founded

by Shem, one of the three sons of Noah.

During the second century AD, it was the main highland garrison town of the Sabean Kingdom. As a result, it was then conquered twice by the Persians and was even ruled for fifty years by the Abyssinians.

Zabid's domestic and military architecture as well as its urban plan made it an outstanding archaeological and historical site, which is why it was placed on the UNESCO list in 1993. Besides being the capital of Yemen from the 13th to the 15th century, the city played an important role in the Arab and Muslim world for many centuries because of its Islamic university. However, as a result of changing the historical character of the monuments and houses in these areas, UNESCO has given Yemeni authorities two more years before it begins procedures to remove the city of Zabid from UNESCO's World Heritage List.

## Salma Naje represents Yemen at World Children Festival

SANA'A, May 26 — The International Child Art Foundation (ICAF) has announced that Salma Abd Algany Naje will represent Yemen at the World Children's Festival at the National Mall, Washington DC, on June 23-25, 2007.

The world's largest celebration of children's creativity and imagination culminates the ICAF Arts Olympiad in which nearly 3 million children in 100 countries participated. Supported by free lesson plans, the 8-to-12-year-old artists produced painting and digital art on the theme "My Favorite Sport" to celebrate the "artist-athlete" ideal of a creative mind and healthy body. Young delegates to the Festival were selected on the basis of creativity and originality through country-level competitions.

As Yemen's representative, Salma will participate in the Children First project to collaboratively create with other Arts Olympiad finalists symbolic works for President George W. Bush and 2008 presidential candidates.

Salma and fellow artists will join young performers and musicians, athletes and Olympians, educators and technologists, as well as entrepreneurs and creative leaders to generate a complete synesthetic experience – a total work of art that transform the National Mall. The Festival becomes a turning point in children's lives and a touchstone to guide them in the future.

ICAF is an international art organization for world's children that integrates arts with science, sport, and technology for the development of children's creativity and empathy – preconditions for a more just, prosperous, and nonviolent world.

## **Erratum**

YemenTimes would like to clarify that the correct web address for Yemen's first multi-source news crawler is

#### www.yemenportal.net

and not www.yemenportal.com as mentioned in the last issue.



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#### Yemeni government refuses to meet Gitmo detainees' lawyers

When Saleh returned to Yemen, it was reported in the Yemen Observer that he yearned for the Yemeni detainees' return. He also indicated that he asked Bush during his visit to return the Yemeni detainees.

In contrast, Bush remarked that detainees remain at the Guantánamo detention center because their governments are unwilling to receive them, naming Yemen as one such government. According to Payner, "Since Guantánamo Bay, Bush has been blaming others via his political lies."

Saleh's remarks encouraged the lawyers because it is a support for them; however, it remains words without action. "The main reason such a high number of Yemeni detainees remain at Guantánamo is due to lack of government support. We need the Yemeni government to push the U.S. government and then, consequently, most of them will be released," attorney Karma Brown observed.

Most of the legal delegation will return to the U.S. on Monday, while the remainder will continue attempting to meet with President Saleh. "We tried to meet with the Minister of Interior, but he refused. We then attempted to obtain an appointment with those in charge of Political Security, as well as National Security, but our attempts were in vain," Payner noted. However, she thanked the nine Yemeni parliamentarians who met with the group and assisted them to keep working to meet the president.

Payner commented that she'd like to meet with him in order to deliver a message from the father of one the detainees, who said to tell the Yemeni president that "My son is yours." She hopes each detainee's father, mother, children or wives can deliver their messages directly to

the one responsible for his nation. The delegation's sole mission was to refute President Bush's lie regarding the Yemeni government. Not only is the U.S. government in charge of the tragedy at Guantánamo, the Yemeni government also must make the required efforts to release Yemeni citizens or guarantee a fair trail for them according to inter-

national laws. Sakher Al-Wajeeh, a Member of Parliament and head of Yemeni Parliamentarians Against Corruption, called upon all of his fellow colleagues to bear the responsibility to seriously and continuously demand the Yemeni government perform its legal and constitutional duty toward the detainees. Al-Wajeeh further demands the U.S. Congress to pass legislation to close Guantánamo Bay, which is considered a black mark on the history of the U.S.

#### Press displeased with blocking of mobile news services

He further expressed his confidence that the Information Ministry will treat Nass Mobile and Without Chains Mobile according to known legal

standards.

Despite reservations about their coverage of the Sa'ada events, Mustafa noted that he's against blocking Al-Shoura.net and Alesteraki.net web sites, pointing out that such blocking is done at the national level while those abroad easily may view both sites.

He added that those affected by what the two sites published should resort to the judiciary instead of blocking them, which damages Yemen's image abroad

#### Al-Alimi: All Sa'ada seized by

Al-Alimi accused international parties of supporting Houthis. "Iran has exploited its official media, including Tehran Radio and Al-Aalam [The World] channel, to support Houthis," he

He also hinted that parties he described as "covert" in Iran worked to stage a demonstration in front of the Yemeni Embassy in Tehran to protest the Sa'ada war. He wishes Iran's official stance would become practice and called on Iranians to be keen on the bilateral relations between both countries.

"We aren't against Shi'ites, who are an Islamic sect, but we don't want sectarianism to be a cause of political deterioration and a means of terrorism," Al-Alimi clarified.

As to relations with Libya, he pointed out that Yemen and Libya enjoy strong relations at the highest levels; however, he accused some citizens and personalities of traveling to Libya under different names in order to receive large sums of money, wishing that such sums would be exploited in Yemen's interest.

As with Iran, Al-Alimi demanded Libva take a clear stance on the Sa'ada events and stop interfering in Yemen's domestic affairs. He noted that Libya previously has received Member of Parliament Yahya Al-Houthi and other Yemeni personalities in the name of "supporting Al-Beit" (those claiming to be the Prophet Mohammed's descendants).

Regarding opposition parties' stance on the Sa'ada events Al-Alimi declared that such parties have their own stance on the events and the Interior Ministry respect their stance, indicating that the parties agree with it about those raising arms against the state. He also called on the opposition parties to dialogue, saying, "We've moved from the fighting phase to the dialogue phase.'

Al-Alimi denied any Arab mediation in the Sa'ada events, as well as the existence of foreign elements fighting with Houthis. However, he confirmed that Yemeni army forces have arrested Iranian elements linked to drug gangs, some with Houthi links.

"What's sorrowful is that some local media outlets are justifying Houthi actions by publishing their news on the front pages," Al-Alimi

He went on to say that it's become clear that Houthis are smuggling drugs to Saudi Arabia,

with the profits from such trade being used to finance their criminal acts in Sa'ada.

Via photographs and video, Al-Alimi displayed a large quantity of drugs seized in Amran governorate late last week as they headed to Sa'ada. Nearly the same quantity was seized earlier in Sa'ada and Hajjah.

"Over the past six months, we've noticed that the drug trade has increased as Houthis seized several Sa'ada districts, especially those areas situated on the Yemeni-Saudi border," Al-Alimi indicated.

#### Iran denies Al-Alimi's accusations

Replying to Al-Alimi's charges, Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Mohammed Ali Husseini expressed his surprise at the statements by the interior minister, who previously demanded Iran cease support Houthi loyalists are receiving

"Such statements don't match up with the true nature of Yemeni-Iranian relations, especially as the two nations enjoy positive relations," Husseini said, adding, "The Yemeni interior minister's statements are irresponsible.'

In official statements reported by Iran's Irna News Agency, Husseini emphasized that his country has always stood by its Yemeni brothers, highlighting its support of Yemen's reunification as an example of Iran's attitude. He hopes Yemenis will work to resolve their problems through wisdom rather than accusing or holding others accountable

Husseini concluded that while Yemen is an important nation in the Islamic world, the Sa'ada events are part of Yemen's domestic problems. He hopes the situation is resolved peacefully within the framework of Yemeni national unity, stressing that his country is ready to render any type of assistance to the Yemeni government.

#### Mugtada Al-Sadr criticized

Numerous Yemeni politicians denounced Shi'ite leader Muqtada Al-Sadr's comments in his first appearance since early 2007, noting that his interference in Yemeni affairs is unjustifiable.

In his first public appearance, Al-Sadr, leader of Iraq's Al-Mahdi Shiite Army, alleged that U.S. and Yemeni forces are widely violating human rights against Houthi loyalists, calling on the U.N., the Arab League and the Islamic Conference Organization to intervene and stop such violations, maintaining that both the U.S. and Yemen are using banned weapons.

Likewise, in a meeting with Al-Jazeera satellite channel at the end of the last week, Hassan Al-Zarkawi, director of the Beirut-based Al-Sadr office, denounced what he described as injustices against Houthi followers in Yemen, assuring that the Sadr sect supports Houthi rebels in

#### **Battlefield confrontations**

Both tribal and media sources report that Yemeni army forces waged a fierce offensive last Saturday on some areas of Al-Saifi in Sahar district where Houthi loyalists are positioned.

Similarly, the army waged an attack using

mortars and Katyusha missiles on Houthis posi tioned in the highlands overlooking Mashraqah area in an effort to seize the mountains over looking Al-Nadhir city.

Furthermore, battles continue in some areas of Sahar district, including Al-Saifi and areas north of Al-Talh, as well as Bani Mu'ath. The confrontations left dozens killed and injured on both warring sides.

Dhahian city also witnessed fierce confrontations, especially in its southern parts, as army forces attempt to seize the city; however the haven't occupied it up until now. It's the 30th attack within the framework of such attacks dur ing the past four months. Sources also indicate that confrontations continue in Nashour Haydan, Ghamer and other Sa'ada districts.

The recent religious scholars mediation com mittee failed to stop the war just hours after they arrived in Sa'ada. The committee's role, as advocated by its head Hamoud Al-Hitar, was simply to inform Houthis of the resolutions and recommendations from the conference, which called on Houthis to lay down their arms and surrender to the authorities.

The crisis intensified upon the Joint Meeting Parties' refusal to join the dialogue conducted by Yemen authorities to discuss the Sa'ada sit

"We boycotted the Yemeni Cabinet's dia logue regarding the Sa'ada events because the government wasn't serious about finding a solu tion," said Mohammed Al-Sabri, spokesman fo the JMP Higher Council.

In a statement, Houthi leader Abdulmalik Al Houthi declared they are for dialogue, they accept peaceful solutions and are keen to pre vent bloodshed, maintaining that Houthis were forced to fight in self-defense

He added, "Our demands are clear and have been known to the mediation committees since the first Sa'ada war." indicating that his group's demands were delivered to the Qatari mediation and they are awaiting a reply.Al-Houthi assured that his group sent a letter to the scholars committee indicating their readiness to stop the war and begin dialoging.

In a letter sent to President Ali Abdullah Saleh during the 17th anniversary celebration of Yemeni reunification, Northwestern Military Division leaders vowed to fight Houthis to the

Observers commented on the letter, saying The Northwestern Military Division under Brig Ali Muhsen Al-Ahmar, commander of the First Armored Brigade, doesn't support suspending the war, so the military option is the solution."

Gulf Cooperation Council Secretary-Genera Abdulrahman Al-Attayah accused superpowers of changing the political atmosphere in the area to that of a struggle. "Some superpowers have contributed in making the political atmosphere become dominated by tension and worry," he hinted.

When asked about Gulf countries' stance on the Sa'ada crisis, Al-Attayah noted that they reject interference by any party in Yemen's

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> Hadramout Governor Taha Abdullah Hajar inaugurates Suzuki Showroom and Maintenance Center in Mukalla

Suzuki Yemen inaugurated Suzuki Showroom and Maintenance Center in Al-Mukulla City on Sunday, May 20. Hadramout Governor Taha Abdullah Hajar was at the top of the attendees and cut the ribbon.

The Showroom and Maintenance Center comprises the following departments:

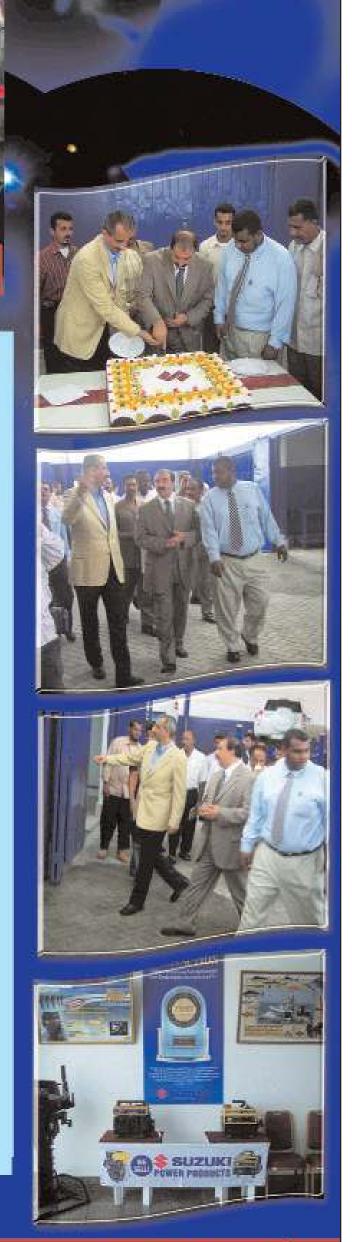
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- Spare parts department
- · Maritime engine maintenance workshop

The attendees visited the different departments and the company's general manager and the branch manager provided detailed information about the project's components as well as the different services it provides to its customers.

They further thanked the governor for attending the inauguration ceremony, noting such attendance is indicative of the support provided by official institutions to public sector, being an important partner in development. Moreover, the manager assured their company is going to expand in Al-Mukulla over the coming years and make it a primary branch to serve people in Hadramout and those neighboring governorates.

For his part, Hadramout governor Taha Hajar expressed his admiration of the showroom and the maintenance center as well as the services they provide to the customers. He further emphasized the great role played by public sector in serving the national economy and boosting development, calling upon all public sector companies to expand their activities in order to help the society's development.

Later on, Hajar together with Suzuki Yemen's General Manager cut the torta at the presence of Hadramout Chamber of Commerce head Omar Bamashmous together with Hadramout General Mangers of Ministeries' branches, social personalities and businessmen.





## Science is light...so where's the light?

By: Nisreen Shadad

cience is light, so where's the light?" was the slogan of female residential students at the Science and Technology University, who held a first sit-in on Monday, May 21 inside the residence and another one outside or in front of the university on May 22.

According to one of the students, "We were without electricity or water for five days, so we staged a sit-in inside the residence on Monday, May 21 from 6:30 a.m. until 11:30 p.m., but no one in charge of the residence or student affairs was ready to talk with us.

"The only solution they offer is to move the 130 of us to another place for a certain time, but then after exams, the situation will be as it is now. We need a real solution," she added.

She continued, "The real reason behind the problem is the existence of only one [electric] meter for 20 apartments, and with four rooms in each apartment, it became damaged due to the pressure upon it. This damage resulted in a fire, but the guard immediately extinguished it, so the fire didn't spread.

"If the fire had spread, we all would've died because we lack fire extinguishers. There are only three and all of them are in the administration office," the student commented.

Students say the money they pay for the residence, as well as to the university, is too much while the services offered are nothing like what they read about on the internet or in the school's

Most students said that when they were back home searching for a university at which to study, they read a lot



paper," one student complained.

"The only thing that made me leave my country and my family and come to Yemen was to study, but the study environment here doesn't help. Even when girls are sick, no one inquires about them," another student maintained.

Yet another student recalled, "I got sick one day and my friend was the only one who tried to carry me and help me to the hospital at 10 p.m. If someone had kidnapped us, no one would have

"I got sick for a week, but not one of the supervisors came to see me, so I sometimes stayed alone just crying. For the first time in my life, I prefer not to study. I hope I can return to my home," another student lamented.

As one girl explained, "We pay 7,000 Yemeni Rivals monthly for a small single room, while a medium single is YR 8,000 and a large single is YR 9,000. A large double room for two girls is YR 9,000, in addition to YR 12,000 annually for water and electricity and YR 5,000 for annual insur-

"Prices increased for 2006-2007, but services remain weak. A small single room now is YR 8,000 and a medium single is YR 9,000. A large single room or a double room for two girls both are approximately YR 11,000, while a triple room for three girls is approximately YR 19,000. We now pay YR 18,000 annually for water and electricity, but insurance

students reported that the university admin-

pay even more. "They say we use a lot of water, so we must pay additional amounts ranging between YR 415 and YR 11,800.

it's according to the electronic machine, but that isn't fair," one student maintained.

"Even though there are no articles in the university contract requiring us to pay more in any circumstance, they threaten us to pay it or they won't show us our marks regarding whether we failed or succeeded on our exams," she alleged.

She continued, "We held a sit-in to force the directors to listen to our problems. We want to talk with them. We sat in the hot sun for hours, but no one from either university management or residence administration came to listen to

"One of the directors told our supervisors to ignore us and that was the most hurtful thing. We were waiting for someone to listen to our problems, but the response was to ignore us," one student complained.

Portugala Al-Shatibi, administrative director of the university residence women's section, explained, "We moved the girls from residences in Al-Hasabah and Mathbah to a large building we are renting on Al-Raqqas Street. Before arriving at the new residence, we formed a union to maintain the entire

"The owner informed us that there's one [electric] meter, but that it could hold up under any pressure. However, due to its small cable, it couldn't handle the pressure, so it shorted out. As a result of this problem, the owner is working to increase the number of meters in the building," she added.

Al-Shatibi considers such electrical shorts and cuts a common problem throughout Yemen, not just at the Science and Technology University. "We're working to solve the problem, but the girls are exaggerating. Neither the electricity nor the water has been cut for five days continuously," she clari-

"The outage occurred from 10:30 Thursday morning until the next day at 12:30 p.m. We changed the cable and then informed the Ministry of Electricity of the problem. Consequently, they came and they kept it on until 8 p.m. The Ministry of Electricity employees then cut it again as a warning to the building

"The electricity continued to be out until the next day, Saturday, at 8:30 p.m. From Sunday morning, it was out until 9:30 p.m. On Monday, the lights came back on at 2:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, the electricity was cut for only a few hours to give the generator a rest," Al-Shatibi

"On Monday, we brought the generator from the Science and Technology University's women's section and it began working from Tuesday," she

Additionally, Al-Shatibi contacted the head of university teachers to delay the students' exams and research projects for a week as a result of the circumstances they had to endure. However, one student says this isn't true, as the delay was only for fourth-level students in the dentistry department.

Regarding university services, female student's residence supervisor, Jihan Al-Afif says, "There are health care services and trips within Sana'a, for example to restaurants and Fun City, and some places outside Sana'a. There also are maintenance services more than once a week. If anyone gets sick, one of the supervisors must go with her. There's no need to go with them during the day, especially if it's not serious; however, we must go with them at night."

Last time, we helped one girl and stayed with her until 3 p.m.," another female student's residence supervisor Fathiya Sa'eed adds.



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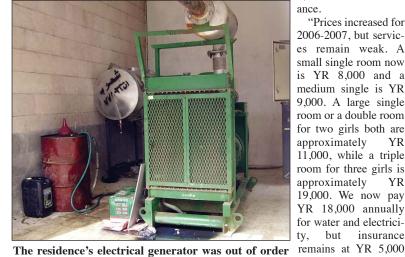
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## **OUR OPINION**

## When will we actually be free?

epublic of Yemen is not a free country. It is ruled by a cruel system that controls our every day life. Our phones are tapped. Our talk is recorded. Every move is monitored, and every action is registered.

One would think that with such severe security measures, peace and stability would prevail. One would think that order and rule of law would dominate and the judiciary system is above all. Unfortunately this is not true, not even

Not only are we ruled by the fierce fist of security, we also have no legal rights or justice. Civilians are kidnapped and killed everyday. press is paranoid with self-censorship to the extent that the majority of Yemeni media have become "more royal than the king", and last but not least, we are living in a state of fear.

Yemenis fear for their lives because of the spread of arms and the absence of law. Yemenis fear for their living because of the deteriorating living standards and soaring prices of basic commodities. They fear for their health because of the enormous risk of catching diseases and the pathetic health care services. They fear for their intelligence because of the ridiculous education and spread of ignorance, not to mention being stoned half the time with Oat.

But most of all, Yemenis fear for their freedom because they are driven into the verge of insanity, always looking behind their shoulder. For at any time, without having a chance to defend yourself, someone could simply accuse you of being a terrorist, an Islamic fundamentalist, a spy of a "friend country" - which by the way the government maintains diplomatic ties with, only it kidnaps and harasses anyone who is suspected of entering its embassy. Someone could accuse you of being a threat to "public security" because of voicing unconventional ideas such as equal citizenship and freedom of expression, and last but not least, the latest fashion is the accusation of being a Houthi follower.

Everyone knows Yemen is a "strategic partner" in the global war against terror. Under the pretext of terrorism everything is possible. After all, everything is allowed in love and war, isn't it? And who loves us more than our beloved government?

I used to think that we are in a country with a margin of freedom and emerging democracy. I used to look with pride to our recent presidential and local council elections and admire how close we have become to reasonably free elections, especially when I look at the political systems of less fortunate countries.

But, my smile fades when I realise how small this achievement is compared to the undignified life Yemenis suffer everyday. I don't care if the coming elections are going to be fair and if I am not going to live long to witness them, either because I have starved to death, died of malaria, or lost my sanity because of everything else.

> Nadia Al-Sakkaf Editor-in-Chief

## Arab issues and new leaderships

t is projected that changes will happen in the leaderships of several powerful countries. Some of these countries actually experienced change while others are preparing for it. The former French President Jacques Chirac left the Elysee (Presidential Palace), the British Prime Minister Toney Blair is due to quit soon, and within a few months, the Russian President Vladmir Putin will step down. After a while, the U.S. presidential elections will take place for the White House to have a new face, and the case is similar in Israel, as well as in Lebanon from the Arab countries.

According to such predicted developments, the situation requires us to record the potential results and the influence of these developments on the Arab issues. We have to select the Palestinian Cause, the Iraqi issue, and Darfur's catastrophe, and bear in mind that these countries, seemingly enjoying democratic regimes, control roles of individuals with firm regulations, which are different from rule of the president, who had the single and unique decision.

The situation is similar in the south part of the Peninsula and the third world countries including the Arab states. But the human element retained its big margin in exercising endless influence on the regimes while the antique components remained fixed but the details may undergo change and the methods may differ while we are able to project how the future will look like as a result of the predicted changes.

France is an important state to the international relations in general and the European ties in particular. In addition, it has a clear role in the Middle East policies, particularly as it doesn't suffer absolute directedness of the United States as the case of Britain. The great rescuer of France Jacques Chirac

has established the rules of his state's political independence, however, the matter's effects are still tangible until the moment

The French stance, as well as that of Germany, which came a bit later, toward the Iraq's war is still printed in the Arabs' minds. Such stance is distinguished by a degree of moderation and balance between the Palestinian and Israeli sides and within the limit of the western commitment to ensuring security and peace of Israel. This stance appears closer to the Arab situation in General if Lebanon remained a party in the Israeli-Arab conflict due to the historic and traditional ties between Lebanon and France. Chirac's absence from France's political life stage is due to influence the former aspects irrespective of the French people's being strongly committed to the Arab issues, stability, and peace in the Middle East.

The end of British government that lasted for absolute ten years with the Prime Minister Toney Blair, the staunch ally to the U.S. President



By: Prof. Abdulaziz Al-Tarb

George Bush, is due to have influence on the Arab issues, as the U.K is a main partner of Washington in all what it does. It automatically votes in of the favor Superpower at the UN Security Council during all the world crises and international problems.

We haven't realized that Britain's behavior is far away from this context until Boutros Ghali assumed duty as UN Secretary-General. Since then, Washington has become the only power to use the Veto while other fourteen countries voted in favor of the Arab Secretary-General to insist on his stand. In fact, Toney Blair's character provokes controversy, which adds a new dimension to the potential influence due to his prospective disappearance from the European political stage.

Blair is behind the US-led occupation of Iraq and the consequences of the war. He is the only one who is enthusiastic and fond of Washington's policies. As a result, this makes us bear in mind that the end of the Labor Party's rule in Britain or the retention of Blair will set before us new options.

One of these options may be expediting the pullout of British forces from Iraq, particularly as they played a primary role in occupying the Shia areas and dominated Basra and the south part of Iraq. At this point, we want to make sure that the disappearance of Toney Blair and his government, era and policies, doesn't mean an end to the strong bond London enjoys with Washington. The bond will be the main topic of certain review by the prospective British cabinet and Prime Minister, whether he is from the Labor Party or the Conservative Party. This is why I am strongly enthusiastic to watch the coming changes.

The Arab-Russian relations need comprehensive review since they remained governed by fixed factors for several years. The Caesarean Russia was ruled by the Church and the Soviet Russia was affected by the western dominance over most of the Arab areas that remained under the old colonial influence.

After a while, Russia managed to attract some Arab regimes in a political coalition against the global imperialism. There has been no chance for the traditional game between the two poles of the world amid the duality of international forces to attract the Arab regimes throughout years of the Cold War. When the personality of ambiguous history assumed the highest political post in the Soviet Union (meaning Vladmir Putin), we found that he has a strong hand that started to help Moscow restore some of its status in terms of retaining intense ties with Washington and taking neutral stances with regard to the Arab

In the meantime, we found ourselves before a new type of the

Russian regime that deals with the Arab states within certain limits. This is the game of balance, which Moscow mastered over the past years and this was evidently manifested in the Iraqi issue as the Russian voice (vote) in the UN turned to reflect the moderate policy that has been made apparent through Moscow's stance toward the Iranian Nuclear dossier.

China which has been always insistent on the Arab issues, began to develop the moderate stance toward the Arab - Israel conflict and other regional issues in the Middle East.

We write these lines to express the Arab hope for the double-standard policy to disappear, as well as for the coming changes to be more balanced and moderate toward the Arab issues. closer to the rights of the Palestinian people, more faithful in the liberty of Iraqi people, and more objective to Darfur's crisis. The situation has gone from bad to worse.

When can we benefit from the examples of France, Russia, and Britain? Also, when can we make changes come true and analyze their results as well as their influence on the contemporary situation of Arabs? Additionally, when can we prepare ourselves on how to handle the future to help improve the security and stability of our nations?

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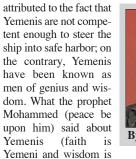
### The 17th Anniversary:

### Yemen's economic reform program & Gulf Countries' political and economic vanity

n May 22, 1990, the Republic of Yemen was created as a result of the merger of the previous states, the North Part and the South Part of Yemen. This event signified the economic, monetary, social, political, and spiritual union between the two parts once separated. Now Yemen has become one, occupying a strategic location which is now undeniably crucial in terms of adding to the security and welfare of the region.

Talking about modern Yemen, the economic and political instability that modern Yemen has been facing for the past seventeen years (since the establishment of the unity) has been the main impediment as to why Yemen is not on par with the Gulf countries in terms of economic and technological advancement. Yemen could be better off had it been economically stable.

To reiterate, the economic backwardness of the country, scarcity of human capital, and technology that Yemen is undergoing can never be



Yemeni) must give Yemenis the incentive that they will overcome all the obstacles and restore their glory one day. It is only a question of time.

Given the opportunity (I mean the opportunity not as eitherÖ, orÖ, the opportunity that demonstrates the real fraternity of the Gulf countries towards Yemen) I am sure that Yemen will prove a leading example in terms of the implementation of the Economic Reform Program in the hope of achieving full development.

To prove that, the enthusiasm and determination on the part of our President himself in facilitating investing in Yemen and offering the guarantees for both domestic and international investors is indicative of the genuine desire of Yemen to get rid of the current situation it is undergoing. Yemen does provide different investment opportunities for foreign companies. Besides, the government's policy of opening up the economy and liberalizing import controls, in co-operation with a stable political climate, has encouraged international investors to take a new approach to the possibilities of this emerging mar-

It is not only that, but Yemen has also streamlined its investment law and procedures in an attempt to attract more foreign investment, Gulf investment in particular in the hope of strengthening the relationship between Yemenis and the Gulf peoples. Yemen is doing its best to attract more investors to its soil by tackling the weakness of judiciary system, by giving it more force, especially by improving the performance and operation of the local commercial courts. Furthermore, Yemen's ambition in



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with such competitive environment shows its genuine will to vie with other countries at an international level. Some might say that Yemen has embarked very late on economic and investment reforms, forgetting that Yemen started earli-

upgrading enterprises to

make them able to cope

er, and the reforms that Yemen is undertaking seriously nowadays at different levels have come up due to Yemen's recognition of the importance of opening up to the world and also its awareness of the fact that "weak" nations have no place today in such a competitive world, the world of globalization.

Thus, Yemen's constant efforts to facilitate and accelerate the development of the economy, to promote democracy, and to enhance economic and social integration show the real intention of all Yemenis under the leadership of his Excellency President Ali Abdullah Saleh to bring about comprehensive reforms at different levels. Gulf countries should understand that the stability of Yemeni economy only ensures stability of their economies --they are not losing if they generously support Yemen and increase investments in Yemen. They will benefit as much as Yemen will do. Besides, Yemenis will not disappoint themóthey are always grateful, faithful, and bounteous and in case something happens to disturb the stability of the region (Allah forbid), Gulf peoples should rather expect a full collaboration from their brothers. Yemenis.

Finally, I would like to seize this opportunity to congratulate all Yemeni people on the occasion of the advent of the 17th anniversary of the Yemeni Unification and extend a special note of thanks to all those who are sincere in their efforts to make a better Yemen.

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## SILVER LINING

## **Celebrations:** A waste of money

n the occasion of the 17th anniversary of the unification day, the ministry of information invited a number of Arab journalists and writers. That is fine. Such invitations should be with a clear objective that these journalists go to see several places and meet a number of government and non-government people so that they can report concretely. However, these journalists were locked in at hotels in Sana'a till they were taken to attend the celebrations in Ibb and then were taken to Aden for fun. I spoke with some of these visiting jour-



nalists and they were shocked that there was no clear schedule for their visit. Except for the press conference of the interior minister last Thursday, these ournalists would not have been able to write anything about Yemen.

I guess you guys share with me the impression this is a waste of money. The ministry was supposed to arrange a program for these journalists to meet the officials they ask for as well as the civil society activists and see a number of tourist attraction sites if they mean to publicize the country outside. The ministry spent a lot of money on their trip over here and therefore, they could utilize their presence in providing them with the necessary facilities to be able to come back with a number of reports. Personally, I am not in favor of such visits from a professional point of view as any media outlet which is interested in reporting on Yemen should send its reporter at its own expenses.

What is funny is that the state-owned newspapers kept showering these Arab journalists with questions in their rooms on their "impressions about democracy and press freedom". It is ridiculous, isn't it? How come that they ask them such questions while they have seen nothing and met with no officials, except the news conference of the interior minister. The government wanted them to provide testimonies that everything is on the right track and that democracy is blessing everybody in Yemen.

I understand this is not the way to beautify the image of Yemen in the Arab media. The best way to do so is to take these journalists to the places they would like to see and meet with the officials they want. Our government and people in charge should learn from the experiences of the Western countries which invite journalists on such trips but with very vivid and intensive programs that make the visitors come up with a good picture of what they have come for. Like other reporters of foreign media, I felt really bad that the interior minister shows respect and honor for the Arab journalists while he never listen to local reporters and has never held a press conference to respond to

All in all, I beleive there is no need for such unification or national day festivals which are occasions for wasting money. Just imagine how many people were hungry in Ibb while the participants in the celebration were enjoying the best food and let alone the other travel, accommodation expenses. It is millions of Yemeni riyals that go in the air. Such amounts of money every year can be made use of in carrying out projects to improve the living standards of the poor whose empty stomachs will not be filled with songs and celebrations that glorify the achievement of the individual leader and neglect the outstanding contribution of other leaders. The unification does not need any more celebrations and festivals but hard work to make the people feel its tangible out-

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Al-Sahwa Weekly, Mouthpiece of the Islah Party Thursday, May 23, 2007

#### **Main Headlines**

- Shabwa security authorities release a Russian doctor, detained for treating wanted people
- Malaria kills two people, injures dozens in Lawdar, Abyan governorate
- For the first time in Yemen, Intercontinental Medical Team arrives in Sana'a
- Joint Meeting Parties insists on serious dialogue to help Yemen avoid risks of oppression and wars
- Four twins die immediately after birth due to mother's poor health
- Sa'ada's restores calm after Saleh declares suspension of military operations

After more than three months of fierce confrontations between government troops and Al-Houthi supporters in Sa'ada, the situation turns into clam as President Ali Abdullah Saleh declared suspension of military operations on the 17th Anniversary of Yemen's Unification, the Islah Party's mouthpiece reported. It quoted press sources as saying that a member of the mediation committee welcomed the decision. The weekly added that Sa'ada local sources said that the situation is calm but people are in a state of full alert as several deadliest events occurred prior to Saleh's declaration.

According to the sources, the government troops, backed by some loyal tribesmen, controlled Shawaba Mountain in Razeh after bloody clashes claimed several lives on both sides. Ten Houthi loyalists were arrested during the clashes.



26 September Weekly, Organ of the Yemeni Army Thursday, May 24

#### Main Headlines

- In response to president's call, parties resume dialogue this week
- Ministry of Transportation studies the feasibility of building a sea bridge between Yemen and Bahrain
- Authorities open new Amran Cement Factory at a cost of \$150 million
- Ministry of Endowment and Guidance prepares for the first national conference on religious guidance
- Palestinian and Lebanese envoys praise Saleh's efforts to contain Al-Bared camp crisis
- New mechanism to monitor imported and domestically produced drugs

The army organ reported that the Higher Drug Authority has prepared a new and modern work mechanism to control and inspect the imported and inland produced drugs at the custom tariff outlets and in local drug markets. The newspaper quoted a HDA source as saying the new mechanism will be presented to the higher health authorities for approval before applying it in real-life situation.

The source clarified that the new mechanism stipulates work to be in conformity with the modern standards international specifications in the fields of monitoring imported and domestically produced medicine. The mechanism aims to prevent entry of any expired and harmful drugs to the Yemeni territory.



Comprehensive **Political Weekly** Wednesday, May 23

#### **Main Headlines**

- Authorities establish sugar and boat factories in Hodeida worth \$110 million
- Chief Judge of Public Money Court to Al-Wahdah: The court reviewed 93 corruption cases this
- Chairman of Ghail Bawazir Cultural Center criticizes officials who once were students at the school for neglecting their school
- Authorities review laws concerned with labor and laborers Yemeni-Gulf meetings in Sana'a to
- carry out donors' pledges Swarms of locusts widely spread in
- Hadramout and Mahra
- Yemen to host meetings of control and audit organizations in Arab countries by the end of May

Abdullah Al-Sinfi, Chairman of the Central Organization for Control and Audit (COCA) clarified in a statement that his organization is due to host on May 23 – 31 activities and meetings of the Arab Group for Control and Audit Organizations, the political weekly reported on its front page. It added that the meetings are due to be attended by chairpersons of control and audit organizations in all Arab countries. Al-Sinfi said these organizations will devote their meetings to discussing many matters included in their agenda with regard to organizing and developing cooperation ties between control and audit organizations in the Arab states. He added that participants are to exchange viewpoints with the aim of improving performance of these

organizations.

The most important themes in the meeting's agenda include the group's strategic plan for the coming three years, the training plan and suggesting a new agenda for the group. COCA chairman indicated that the meeting participants will elect a new chairperson for the Arab Group for Control and Audit Organizations, as well as his deputy for the coming three-year term. They also will elect members of the group's executive council. According to Al-Sinfi, Yemen will chair the group and its executive council for the coming term.



Al-Methaq Weekly, Mouthpiece of the General People Congress Monday, May 21

#### **Main Headlines**

- President Saleh inaugurates, lies foundation stone of 743 projects in
- Yemeni expatriates abroad receive access to transfer subscriptions electronically
- Artistic Eve Party in Sana'a celebrate the 17th Anniversary of the National Unity Artistic tourist exhibition for
- Yemen in the French city of Lenie Lauribo Saleh announces suspension of
- military operations against Sa'ada rebels Military source:
- operations suspended to give a chance to the rebels to surrender

A military source in the advancing troops, which are on duty, in the restive province of Sa' ada, north of Yemen, confirmed that upon instructions from Ali Abdullah Saleh,

President of the Republic and Higher Commander of the Armed Forces, the military operations were suspended in different areas of Sa' ada to give the chance to the rebels to surrender on the 17th Anniversary of the National Unity, the weekly reported.

In a statement to the 26 September.net, affiliated with the Defense Ministry, the source confirmed that units from the combined military and security forces in Sa' ada showed strong commitment to the instructions in order to give a chance to the terrorists to surrender and hand their heavy and medium-size weapons to the concerned authorities in conformity with the Defense Council's decision and the religious scholars' statement.

The source confirmed that troops are ready to strongly react to any mobilization of rebels, welcoming the courageous stance of military and security troops who bravely confront the rebellion and the acts of vandalism exercised by the terror elements. He lashed out at the rebels for assaulting government troops overnight and displacing innocent women and children.



Al-Wahdawi Weekly, Organ of the Nasserite Popular Unionist Organization (NPUO) Tuesday, May 22

#### **Main Headlines**

- News say that leader of rebellion Abdulmalik Al-Houthi and top aide Abdullah Al-Rizami are available in Baqem district, Sa'ada governorate
- Joint Meeting Parties' Higher Council: dialogue is the civilized and safe method to protect people

from wars and conflicts

- NPUO congratulates Yemeni people on the 14th Anniversary of the National Unity
- Saleh declares suspension of military operations in Sa'ada, express his confidence that troops will win the battle
- Sana'a University teaching staff suspend strike for two weeks as Prime Minister promised to process their demands
- A Military source: Allegations made by the terrorist Yahya Al-Houthi about chemical weapons are baseless fabrications
- Al-Dhale' governor engaged in sharp dispute with local council leaders over appointing notorious civil service official

The NUPO-affiliated weekly reported it learned that Al-Dhale' Governor Abdulwahid Al-Bukhaiti is engaged in a sharp dispute with his deputy and Secretary-General of Local Councils Mohammed Ghaleb Al-Utabi over the Civil Service Ministry's appointment of Abdullah Farhan Al-Humaidi, General Manager for its office in the governorate. According to local sources in the governorate, the Local Council refused to allow Al-Humadi assume duty as General Manager of the Civil Service Office after it issued a decision withdrawing confidence from the official.

The Local Council in Al-Dhale' considered the reappointment of Al-Humaidi illegal, as well as a violation of the constitution. The Local Council Secretary-General threatened to refer the official to Public Prosecution to be investigated over job-related violations. The dispute is escalating and is warning of an unprecedented crisis between the governor and the local council, according to the newspaper.

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## As part of compensation by Yemen LNG, Fish aggregation devices installed in Balhaf, but residents still complaining

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fter Yemen Liquefied Natural Gas (YLNG) selected Shabwa governorate's Balhaf area for its company's location, the area's fishing environment was affected and residents began facing problems related to compensation and laborers' jobs.

Area fishermen are demanding fair compensation, as they were banned from fishing around Balhaf and kept from their boat shelters in the area surrounding the company.

Although the liquefied natural gas project represents a large portion of Yemen's income, Balhaf residents stress that their problems should be resolved properly, as the company has affected them greatly, both as fishermen and landowners. For this reason, the firm has implemented a program to provide area fishermen with a replacement fishing environment by installing fish aggregation devices and establishing breakwaters

However, controversy continues regarding compensating landowners whose properties the company consumed either for construction or extending gas pipelines.

Last Wednesday, YLNG installed fish aggregation devices in the company's nearby sea area in an attempt to provide a more convenient environment for fish and, hence, help fishermen obtain their living more easily. In addition to YLNG representatives, Shabwa Governor Ali Mohammed Al-Maqdashi, and Abdulmalik Alamah, undersecretary at the Ministry of Oil and Minerals, attended the launch ceremony. The program is part of the company's fishing infrastructure compensation program.

"This program is part of Yemen LNG's programs concerning the fishing communities around Balhaf. It aims both to offset the loss of Balhaf Bay and provide an important legacy for the future," YLNG Deputy General Director Faisal Haitham explained.

Haitham revealed that while fish aggregation devices are an innovative

idea in Yemen, similar programs have been established in the Indian Ocean and represent an important source for the livelihoods of fishermen in that area.

He also confirmed that the program is a trial for a short period of time and if it succeeds, other devices will be installed. "In just three months, we'll have a good idea about how successful these devices have been. If this trial follows the path of such replacements in other parts of the world, this could well become an important source for Yemen's fish wealth in the future," Haitham noted.

So far, three devices have been installed in the waters near Balhaf. The first device is 500 meters deep, the second is 160 meters deep with the third is 50 meters deep. Fishermen say they're concerned about the devices, the failure of which will cause numerous problems, particularly as they depend totally upon fishing as their only source of income.

Hilal Al-Riyashi of the Environmental Protection Authority explained that the devices will provide a good environment for fish to lay their eggs and small fish will aggregate around the location of the devices. Consequently, when larger fish come to eat the small ones, the location of the devices will be a source of fish aggregation.

Al-Riyashi disclosed that while the devices are important in helping area fishermen catch fish offshore instead of on Balhaf shore, which was banned by the company, it's difficult to provide an environment for coral reefs such as those in the waters near YLNG.

However, Haitham maintains that coral reefs in the sea near the company aren't subject to any damage, but that the company is tackling any affects that may occur to the reefs during construction

Another YLNG project to compen-

sate area fishermen is constructing breakwater in Jila'a, located some 7 km. west of the Balhaf coast. The breakwater is intended to provide fishing boats shelter during monsoons. Breaking the force of waves in the area will create calm water onshore where fishermen can pull up their boats. Depths behind the breakwater gradually will decrease



Breakwaters provided a safe shelter for fishermen boats especially from July to October when waves are strong.

from 8 meters to 1 meter toward land.

Still, area fishermen maintain that what the company has done for them doesn't suffice their needs or compensate them for their loss, as they had one of the best fishing environments on the Yemeni coastline before YLNG came to the area.

Additionally, Balhaf residents are complaining about compensation for their lands, maintaining that YLNG implemented a compensation program for all of those affected in the area. In this regard, residents affirm that some lands were used for the company's premises while others were used for gas pipeline extensions.

Haitham confirmed that compensation for land will be done in coordination with the government, not with residents directly. He revealed that \$40 million has been allocated for this purpose, affirming that his company intends to fairly compensate all of those whose properties it used. He further noted that such compensation isn't restricted only to Shabwa residents, but also to some Marib residents whose lands were used for pipeline extensions.

"A supreme compensation committee was formed based on a Cabinet resolution to determine the extent of the effects and fair compensation," he explained, adding, "The committee is being chaired by Alamah, the governors of Shabwa and Marib, the general directors of oil in the two governorates and

other representatives from incumbent government authorities." Haitham further indi-

cated that the amount of compensation depends on the extent of the effects, noting that some types of compensation are permanent, whereas others are temporary. "Concerning compensation for land consumed by pipelines, residents' property is limited in the sense that they can use their land for agriculture, but not for construction," he pointed out.

Additionally, Shabwa residents maintain that YLNG isn't offering them employment opportunities, although they should be given priority when filling the majority of job vacancies. As a result, some residents have had problems with the company.

According to Abdullah Saleh Afeef, a member of the General People's Congress office in Shabwa, local citizens have hijacked approximately four company cars, not because they wanted the cars, but because YLNG didn't employ them. In this regard, Afeef stated that the governorate's labor office should be held responsible because it's neglecting citizens' rights regarding the company's job vacancies.

"The company doesn't have the right to employ anyone without coordinating with and approval from the labor office here in Shabwa. However, some workers are employed through labor offices in Sana'a and Hadramout while others



Fish aggregation devices (FAD) are expected to create a good environment for fish breeding.

are employed via YLNG subcontractors," Afeef pointed out, adding that the company also rents cars with drivers from other governorates, despite the fact that there are cars to rent and drivers in Balhaf.

As a result of such problems, Balhaf residents have formed a committee to demand their rights from YLNG, mainly compensation for those whose lands were affected by it, compensation for fishermen and jobs in the company.

According to committee member Abdullah Ali Al-Sallal, the fishermen's problems partially have been solved by the breakwater, which provides safe boat docking. The other two demands regarding compensation for land and employing locals haven't been solved, although they've received promises from both YLNG and the Yemeni government.

"Approximately 50 laborers from among area residents were dismissed under the pretext that the company needs technicians. From time to time, we discover that it employs laborers from other governorates with the same qualifications as local residents," Al-Sallal complained.

He further added that YLNG sent 21

Balhaf students to Sana'a to study English and computer science so they could fill secretarial jobs within the company.

"When they arrived in Sana'a, only one was accepted and the others were fired on the pretext that they couldn't speak English, despite the fact that the company had sent them there to study English and computers," Al-Sallal recounted.

Other demands by Balhaf residents relate to infrastructure projects such as electricity, potable water, health facilities and schools. Alawi Ahmed Malhoof, a member of the residents' committee, maintains that both the Yemeni government and YLNG should cooperate to provide such projects for locals.

"We urged the government to provide us with these projects, but to no avail. We now demand YLNG provide us with electricity from its power," he said, adding, "We're deprived of everything, although we live amid two huge projects: the Al-Nishaimah oil project in Hadramout governorate and the liquefied natural gas project here in Balhaf."





## TIMES

## This is Yemen's History (Part One)

By: Nisreen Shadad

his is Yemen History" is a threevolume book written in Arabic by Yemeni history specialist Abdullah Al-Kumaim.

Volume one offers an introduction to the beginning of the universe, mankind, language and civilization. In the first chapter, Al-Kumaim discusses Yemen's position during each of the historical periods, as well as the meaning of the word Yemen.

In chapter two, he provides more details about Yemenis and Yemeni civilization, mentioning numerous Yemeni historical characters, including Dhul Qarnayn and Sheba.

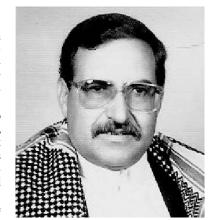
Also in this chapter, Al-Kumaim presents evidence that Dhul Qarnayn was a Yemeni, as Dhul Qarnayn's identity has become a matter of great controversy in modern times. Dhul Qarnayn was said to have been a great and righteous ruler who built a long wall that kept Gog and Magog from attacking the peoples of the West.

Moreover, Al-Kumaim presents the Prophet Mohammed's praises about Yemenis, as well as things mentioned about Yemen and Yemenis in the Old Testament of the Bible.

As he writes, Yemen was the first nation to plant, to domesticate animals and build palaces and dams. He also discusses 99 palaces in Yemen and various dams built in Yemeni governorates.

As Al-Kumaim presents in his book, one Orientalist said, "Yemen is the only country that can be called the cradle of Arabism." In the oldest Babylonian script found was carved in *al-mismari* (an ancient type of handwriting) about Ma'een, a state that flourished in eastern Yemen's Al-Jawf Valley during the first era of ancient Yemen and a political entity near the Sabaean mother state in southern Arabia, rotating in its orbit or secluding itself and, at times, becoming an ally of the Hadramout and Qataban against it.

Ma'eenite civilization was no less than that of Sheba in its power and influence, as it established temples in many towns of Al-Jawf and was characterized by its



Abdullah Al-Kumaim

unique Ma'eenite architectural style. The arts of drawing and engraving developed to a great extent during this time. Like other ancient Yemeni states, the Ma'eenites wrote in *al-musnad* calligraphy and spoke the same language of southern Arabia.

Ma'eenite towns surrounded the Sabaeans during the first century B.C. and many historical signs were left by the Ma'eenites represented in the relics of towns, dams and temples across Al-Jawf governorate.

The following is just a sample of some of the remarkable things Al-Kumaim mentions in his book:

#### Yakli Palace, the Red Palm

Yakli Palace was built on the summit of Jabubah hill in the area of Al-Hada , located south of Sana'a. The palace was named for the small Yakli River, which surrounded the hill from the north to the east side.

It's called the Red Palm due to the shape and the color of Jabubah hill , which looks like a palm and has a red color. Al-Jabubah is located in the far northwest of Al-Hada, an area in the midst of Al-Hada tribe, Khawlan area, Sanhan area, Al-Rus area and Jahran.

Scientific research and drilling for the remains of the Red Palm began in 1932-1931 during the reign of Imam Ahmad; therefore, it was hard to know the exact time such palaces were established. Ancient artifacts reflect that these areas submitted to numerous kings, the most

famous being Al-Sharh Yahthub and Dhammar Ali Yahbr.

A scripture of King Dhammar Ali Yahbr, a king from the Saba and Dhu Raydan periods, was found in this area, upon which both the king's and his son's name were written in al-musnad calligraphy.

#### Dhi Marmar Palace

Many engravings indicate that Marmar, the Arabic word for marble, was a temple or a palace. Discovered at the beginning of the third century B.C., it's still known as Marmar Palace today.

In one particular engraving was written Dhi Marmar. Jawad Abdullah thought Dhi Marmar was a palace of Sakheem because it became a symbol for them, just as the palaces and castles of other tribes became symbols for their nation and tribes.

Dhi Marmar was built on a height overlooking ancient Shibam Sakheem city. It was surrounded by a huge, strong fence to protect the palace from any attack. The palace remained until 1583, when it was destroyed to build a new city using its stones.

#### Dhul Qarnayn, a great king

Medieval scholars identified Dhul Qarnayn as the ancient Greek conqueror, Alexander the Great. Early Muslim historian Ibn Hisham wrote, "Dhul Qarnayn is Alexander the Greek, the king of Persia and Greece, or the king of the east and the west, for because of this, he was called Dhul Qarnayn [meaning 'the two-horned one']."

Some modern Islamic scholars also identify Dhul Qarnayn with Alexander the Great; for example, in the appendix of his famous translation of the Qur'an, Yusuf Ali argues for such identification. Secular academic scholars of the Qur'an also agree that Dhul Qarnayn is an ancient epithet for Alexander the Great.

However, Al-Kumaim presents numerous evidences that Dhul Qarnayn was a Yemeni historical figure. In describing him, the materials he used, his main message and other reasons the book lists, the Qur'an proves that Dhu Al-Qarnayn was Yemeni because ancient Yemenis established dams, melded iron with tin and



copper and were known to bear the last name of Dha.

Dhul Qarnayn is mentioned in the Qur'an's Surat Al-Kahf (18: 83-97): "And they ask about Dhul Qarnayn. Say: 'I will recite to you something of his story. Verily, We [Allah] established his power on earth, and We gave him the ways and the means of everything. So he followed a way. Until, when he reached the setting place of the sun, he found it setting in a spring of murky water. And he found near it a people.

"We said: 'O Dhul Qarnayn! Either punish them, or treat them with kindness.' He said, 'Whoever does wrong, we shall punish him, then he will be brought back to his Lord, and He will punish him with a punishment unheard of before. But whoever believes, and works righteousness, he will have a goodly reward, and easy will be his task as we order it by our command.'

"Then he followed another way. Until, when he came to the rising place of the sun, he found it rising on a people for whom We had provided no shelter against the sun. So he left them as they were: We completely understood what was before him. Then he followed another way, until,

when he reached a tract between two mountains, he found, beneath them, a people who scarcely understood a word.

"They said: 'O Dhul Qarnayn! The Gog and Magog people do great mischief on earth. Shall we then render you tribute in order that you might erect a barrier between us and them?' He said: 'The power in which my Lord had established me is better than tribute. Therefore, help me with strength and labor. I will erect a stronger barrier between you and them. Bring me blocks of iron.'

"At length, when he had filled up the space between the two steep mountainsides, he said, 'Blow with your bellows.' Then, when he had made it red as fire, he said: 'Bring me molten lead that I may pour it over them.' Thus, they were powerless to scale it or dig through it. He said: 'This is a mercy from my Lord, but when the promise of my Lord comes to pass, He will make it into dust; and the promise of my Lord is true.'"

#### Dhul Qarnayn's name and heritage Interpreters and historians describe Dhul

Qarnayn with many names that have no authentic roots. However, as Al-Kumaim writes, the most valid lineage for Dhul



King Dhammar Ali Yahbr

Qarnayn is Al-Hamisa'a bin Amr bin Areeb bin Zayd bin Kahlan bin Saba and he's called Sa'ab.

Due to the vast differences among historians regarding Dhul Qarnayn, Al-Kumaim conveys in his book their opinions and the information upon which they depend, in addition to explaining how such misconceptions occurred.

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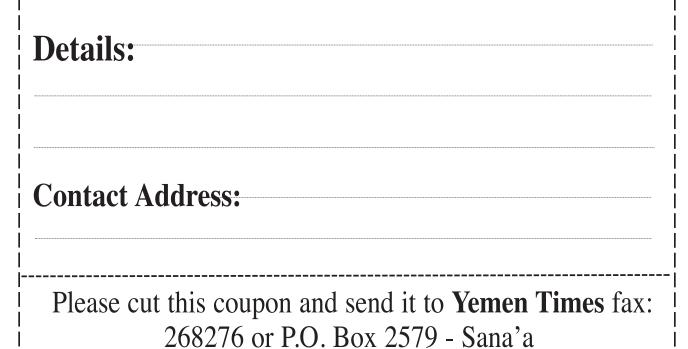
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## Weapon buy-backs showcased in Sana'a

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ressmen and representatives of several local and international media had an opportunity to access three storage facilities filled with a wide range of arms and weapons which were bought from the public in various parts of the country as a part of an arms-reduction strategy carried out by the Yemeni government. The Interior Ministry has arranged a media tour to the three arm stores in a rare opportunity to attend a showcase of the various types of weapons which were in the hands of regular civilians, tribal



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sheikhs and clans from around the country. Tens of thousands arm pieces with different types including rare brands made including the latest guns made in the U.S. UK, Europe and China were bought" an Interior Ministry representative, who requested not to be identified, said. representative

pointed out that the first storage facility contains Ground-Ground and Ground-Air missiles and

rockets, and also large machine guns with medium to long-ranges, while the second storage facility is full of mortars, anti-personal and anti-vehicles land mines, hand grenades and other types of explosives. He added that those in charge of the stores are not allowed to give pressmen any information about the prices of arm pieces they collected, confirming that their task is limited to keeping the collected arms, and allow journalists to 'take pictures only'.

According to the Interior Ministry's representative who accompanied the journalists, the ministry estimated the value of the collected arm pieces to exceed ten billion Riyals.

At a Thursday's news conference, Interior Minister Dr. Rashad Al-Alimi promised that attendants may visit these storage facilities in order to portray the success of the Ministry in con-



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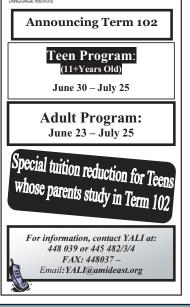
trolling the trade and ownership of weapons, in accordance to an arms collection plan, approved by the cabinet last April. The Yemeni government also decided to shut down arm trade shops and outlaw the ownership of all heavy weapons with exceeding a gun and a machine gun per family for protection purposes, as stated by president Saleh himself earlier this year.

The operation of collecting and withdrawing weapons costs the state tens of billions of Riyals not only for buy-backs but also for logistics and inventory, especially that many of these weapons are very sensitive and can result in a devastating disaster if mis handled, according to an Interior Ministry's report. The report disclosed that Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states made pledges to extend financial assistance to Yemen to continue out this arm collection project.



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