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YT Person of the Year 2001 HUSSEIN AL-AWADI

"You can always come to my office which will be open all the time. I hate bureaucracy, and want to break all barriers between us." This is what Mr. Hussein al-Awadi told the Editor-in-Chief of the Yemen Times just as he started his post as the Minister of Information on April 2001.

No one was sure whether the new minister would fulfill his promise, especially that many other ministers said the same thing before, but once they were at their offices, they forgot all their promises making it very difficult to contact them at any time.

However, Mr. al-Awadi proved all expectations wrong. He did open his office when he became the minister and he continues to do so for all journalists and, on many occasions, for regular people. Not only has

he been able to maintain his humble and open-minded image, but has also been successful in slowly imposing this image on his staff and employees.

Today, the Ministry of Information is among the very few ministries where there is little bureaucracy. The Minister has shown that he always has time to listen to and assist journalists and media people. Although choosing Mr. al-Awadi was not based on this alone, his humbleness was enough to have most of the votes of the journalistic community given to him. "We could not find a better personality to choose," said Editor-in-Chief of the Yemen Times, Walid Al-Saqqaf commenting on the selection of al-Awadi.

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Candidates for Person of the Year Title



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Possible Anti-US Attacks in Yemen

Some Western diplomatic sources have spoken out their fear of coming under potential anti-Westerners attacks on the eve of the New Year.

A number of diplomats told the Yemen Times they would not attend Christmas celebrations at the Aden Gold Mohur Hotel after Washington had warned of anti-Americans assaults in Yemen.

The US government has advised its citizens in Yemen to use caution with regard to possible anti-US and British attacks.

The US Embassy in Sana'a has similarly sent messages to the American community warning of possible attacks on places frequented by Americans and Britons.

The statement considered Gold Muhur Hotel as a possible target for such attacks, particularly during the New Year celebrations. It also deemed the Sana'a Trade Center as another potential target.

US Department of State called on American citizens, in December 2001 not to visit Yemen owing to what it described as "potential terrorist risks."

Yemeni authorities have intensified the search for persons suspected to have links to al-Qaeda network, particularly in Mareb and Jawf regions.

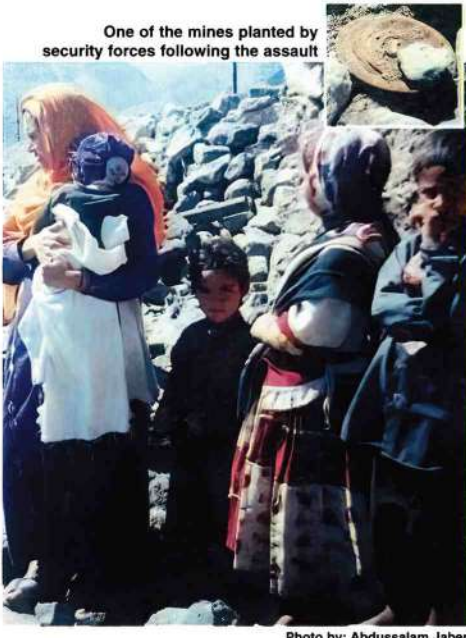
Tension in al-Dala'e Continues

Military forces in al-Dala'e area have been imposing a siege on Jehaf area in Dala'e governorate since Saturday December 22, 2001. Armors have been used by Brigade 35 to siege all mountains surrounding and overlooking Jehaf villages. Checkpoints have also been erected on all roads leading to the area. The same area came under attack by Brigade 35 on December 11, 2001 following the death of two soldiers and injury of three others who were fired at while patrolling the area.

The Yemeni Socialist Party (YSP) issued a statement urging upon the authorities to behave wisely and stop repressing people in order not to breed hatred and malice. The statement expressed bitter disappointment at the use of force against al-Dala'e governorate.

The shelling caused damage to a number of houses. A number of people were killed many others were arrested.

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KIDNAPPERS SENTENCED

The Penal Court of Terrorism sentenced last Saturday the kidnapers of the German Engineer, Lehnerd Cart, to 20-25 years in jail. The first defendant Nasser Al-zaidi was sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment while the other three kidnapers, Mohammed al-Zaidi, Hassan al-Zaidi and Saleh Tuiman who were tried in absentia were sentenced to 20 years in jail each. Aziz Shuqil was acquitted.

The prosecution accused the defendants of forming an armed ring for kidnapping foreigners, resisting authorities and damaging Yemen's economy and diplomatic position.

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80 Islamists Arrested

Eighty foreign students and teachers at a religious institute have been arrested during a crackdown on illegal residents, a security official said Saturday. The official added the measure was aimed at investigating whether their presence in the country was legal. The authorities have granted a 30-day grace period to foreigners to legalize their presence in the country.

The arrested people are from Arab and South Asian countries, studying and teaching at the Dar al-Hadith Institute in the Abida tribal region.

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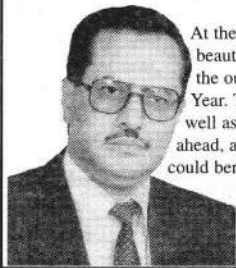
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Words of Wisdom



At the beginning of every year, the Westerners have a beautiful tradition of assessing their achievements during the outgoing year and then setting out goals for the New Year. This practice, which is performed at the national, as well as at the personal level, allows them to at least think ahead, and then prioritize their activities. We in Yemen could benefit a lot if we were to internalize this behavior.

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



Our Opinion

**January 1, 2002: A Day for Change
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Tomorrow, we will all be welcoming the new year 2002 with great hope and expectations. No doubt, millions of people all over the world will be celebrating this occasion with great relief for throwing away the burdens and miseries of 2001 and opening a new page for the future. But no matter how people try to forget the miseries of 2001 including the greatest terrorist attack in recent history, they will still feel the effects of those sad events for tens of years to come.

I know that there are tens of thousands of relatives of those massacred in the attack on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, DC. I also know that thousands of Muslims are also mourning the Palestinians killed in the occupied territories. There are also thousands of Iraqi children that died last year because of lack of medicine and enough food. The year 2001 claimed a lot of lives, not in one place and not in one time, but in various countries and of various races and religions.

However, life must go on, and people will continue to die while others will be born. It is the life cycle that will only be terminated on dooms day. Let us look to the future with optimism and hope. I sometimes feel that the turnover of years is a blessing as it reminds us that we can always start all over again and forget the unfortunate past.

We cannot afford to keep reminding ourselves of what we did wrong. We are all humans and we commit mistakes. But we should avoid those mistakes in future for the sake of our next generations.

Today is the last chance for all of you to bring your miseries to a halt and see the world in a different view by putting into effect the change that you have wanted to do. The last day of the year should mark a period, a full-stop and tomorrow, January 1 2002 should be not only a new paragraph, but a new white page that we can start writing in immediately.

If we think carefully amongst ourselves we will realize that it is us who make those pages full of joy or full of misery. We are the ones who contribute to what is going to happen in our lives. Hence, it is only fair to have us revise our way of life and start again in a different and better way. This applies to individuals, as well as to leaders and politicians.

As a regular citizen, you should start with yourself and use this opportunity to change to the better in treating others and utilizing your life. For decision-makers, the will for change must even be stronger because any positive change they enforce in the new year will affect millions of lives. Those politicians can participate in ending the miseries of their people and in creating a better world for all of them.

For our President, who is a gentle father and a kind human being like many of us, I have a special message on this occasion: "Never lose hope. Despite the tough times you went through in 2001, you must have hope in 2002 and beyond. You can open a new page with new plans, ideas that are more suitable to the era we are living in. You are the commander-in-chief and can open a whole new world of opportunities for your people. Go for it, and do the change you wanted for so long. This is the best time, and today is the best day to take the brave decisions you have been thinking of."

Whether our President will listen to my words or not, I still wish him all the best in leading Yemen through these difficult times. We should all stand by him and realize the pressure he is under.

Finally, may the year 2002 hold prosperity for Yemen and the world, and Happy New Year from Yemen Times.

Yemen Names Two Suspects in al-Qaeda Manhunt

The Yemeni 26 September weekly on Thursday named two men the authorities are hunting down as suspected to have links to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaeda network. The newspaper identified the two Yemeni citizens as Mohammed Hamdi al-Ahdal, also known as Abu Asem al-Ahdal and Ali Qaed Senyan al-Harhi, also known as Abu Ali al-Harhi. Yemeni officials said they were seeking three suspected members of al Qaeda. Last week,

Yemen's military and security forces attacked suspected al Qaeda hideouts in Mareb region and at least 24 soldiers and four tribesmen were killed in the attack. "Yemen will also send a team of investigators to Pakistan to help interrogate Yemenis who fought with al Qaeda and fled Afghanistan a few days after the U.S. strikes on Afghanistan started," the paper added.

Human Rights Regional Course Kicked off

The Taiz-based Human Rights Training & Information Center (HRITC) organized an Arab regional meeting on human rights in which 40 trainees took part. In the inaugural celebration, Ali Mohammed al-Anessi, Director of the Presidency Office, Deputy-Chairman of the Higher Committee for Human Rights stressed Yemen's readiness to crackdown on terrorism; however, he pointed out that the campaign on terrorism would certainly put restraints on human rights, as well as the freedom of movement, investment and trade.

The British Ambassador to Yemen emphasized that non-governmental organizations had a very important role to play with regard to the promotion of human rights. "Governments are often more willing to criticize others than to look at their own problems, and governments are sometimes worried about interfering in the internal affairs of other

states. But NGOs can act as a catalyst to draw attention to both national and international problems. And they can make sure that governments have the information on which to act," she added.

Izzaddin al-Asbahi, Chairman of HRITC, said in his speech that the course principally meant to stress the importance of working to cement the principles of human rights and promote solidarity among the Arab states. A word on behalf of the UN Secretary-General, Kofi Anan, on the occasion of the 53th anniversary of Human Rights Declaration, was addressed by Yousef Aburass, United Nations' Office Director in Yemen. Similarly, the French Embassy's Cultural Advisor delivered a speech in which he confirmed his country's commitment to support Yemen's in the field of human rights.

Police Hunt Down Attackers on Police

The Yemeni police in al-Sayani district, Ibb 195km to the south of Sana'a are still hunting out perpetrators of the attack on the police station in the area. Sources in Ibb said the police arrested one of the assailants but five others are still at large.

Last Tuesday six gunned men attacked the police station in al-Sayani to free some of their relatives detained for criminal charges. The assailants clashed with the guards of the station jail killing two of the soldiers. But, they failed to set their relative free. The police damaged their houses in two villages and are still chasing them to bring them to justice. Official sources in the area denied any political motivation behind the attack but local sources said that Walid Shamlan, head of the attackers, had a brother that had been to Afghanistan and was wanted by the authorities. One of the assailants is also one of those who witnessed the marriage document writing ceremony of Usama bin Laden and the daughter of Ahmed Abdulfatah al-Saddah.

Clean-up Campaign in Socotra

The office of the Ministry of Public Health & Population in Hadramaut is carrying out a clean-up campaign in Socotra Island in January 2002, Salem al-Ubathan, Director-General of the office told the Yemen Times. He pointed out that the campaign would include different activities. "A number of researches and studies will also be conducted during this campaign," he added.

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KIDNAPPERS SENTENCED

The first defendant protested the verdict and asked judge Najeeb al-Qaderi to sentence him to death instead. He took back his confessions in the previous hearing saying he didn't kidnap the German engineer. Rather, he said he performed as a mediator between the kidnapers and the government.

This is the fastest trial of kidnapers in Yemen for it started a few days after the hostage was set free and one of the kidnapers was arrested.

The German engineer who was snatched from Haddah street November 28, was released on December 8.

Eighty Islamists Arrested

Abida is located in Mareb, 100 miles to the east of Sana'a, where Yemeni special forces have been searching for members of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaeda network in recent weeks. Heavy fighting on Dec. 18 killed at least 24 soldiers and six tribesmen.

Tension in al-Dala'e Continues

At the end of the statement, the YSP and the Supreme Coordination Council for Opposition demanded the withdrawal of the the military forces stationed in the governorate, release of detainees and prisoners, compensation of citizens for the damage to their property, etc.

Ethio-Yemeni Joint Committee Formed

Addis Ababa - Ethiopia and Yemen set up a joint technical committee here on Friday aimed at helping implement the protocol agreement signed between the two countries, particularly in the areas of oil gas and mineral exploration, the Ethiopian News Agency reported. Speaking at the joint technical committee meeting, Ethiopian State Minister of Mines Sinknesh Ejigu said the establishment of the joint committee was effected in accordance with the executive program agreement signed between the two sides last February. She said the formation of the joint committee would play a crucial role in further strengthening the bilateral rela-

tions between the two countries. According to the agreement, Ethiopia and Yemen are expected to encourage their respective private sectors to enter into joint investment schemes of mine development endeavors. Abdulmalik Mohamed Alama, Yemeni Deputy Minister of Oil and Mineral Resources said his government had a keen desire to deepen ties with Ethiopia in the mine development sector. Alama, who led a five-member Yemeni delegation, arrived here on Thursday to pay a five-day working visit to Ethiopia. Xinhua

Indian Ship's Crew Goes on Hunger Strike in Aden

Crew member of an Indian ship detained in Aden port ultimately went into a hunger strike after they failed to reach an agreement to get their salaries paid or be repatriated to their country. In a letter of which the Yemen Times received a copy, the crew members requested from the authorities concerned to intervene to settle their issue,

which has been unsolved for almost 8 months. "Since May 3, 2001 no one has gotten his salary paid nor they could contact their families in India," the letter added. The crew are in a very bad situation and have doubts over their uncertainty, particularly as neither their company nor the agent is ready to solve their issue.

25 Sentenced to Death for Banditry

The Penal Court of Sana'a last Wednesday sentenced 24 members of a 42-member gang to death for acts of murder, banditry and other sorts of crimes. Three persons were sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment, a person to 4 years in jail while another defendant to eight years. Eleven members of the ring were acquitted because of lack of enough evidence. The gang which includes members

below 18 years has been carrying out several criminal acts since 1990, claiming the lives of 16 persons. The defendants all appealed the verdict. The court also sentenced Ahsan Hussien al-Mawj to death for robbing Yahia al-Hamzi and his wife. The police is also trying to hunt down Bakel Abdullah for taking part in the same banditry five months ago in Harf Sefian in Sadaah governorate.

Japan Grants Aid to Ibb City

The Government of Japan has decided to extend a grant aid amounting up to USD 89,181, approximately fifteen million Yemeni Riyals, to Ibb Cleaning Fund under the scheme called the "Grant Assistance for Grassroots Projects". This grant is to cover the costs for the construction of kiosks in the central market in order to improve sanitary condition and the image of the city center so as to prevent people from worse sanitary condition and to look more beautiful. Part of the grant will also be used to purchase a number of motorcycles to support its better management of Solid Waste Project and the good cleanliness efforts that aim at making Ibb City more attractive. Both sides of this project will highly contribute to the environmental and sanitation situations in Ibb City. The Government of Japan has decided to extend the grant due to good management of the Ibb Cleaning Fund and also high awareness of people in Ibb. An agreement to this effect was signed December 25 2001 in Sana'a Deputy Governor of Bib Mr. Abdul Wahid Salah and Mr. Masamitsu Oki, Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Yemen.

USD 29,995 approximately five million Yemeni Riyals, to Parental Council in Ibb under the scheme called the "Grant Assistance for Grassroots Projects". Parental Council constructed new facility to expand its activity to accept more children who live in the streets with bad living condition and no basic education. This grant is to cover a part of the costs of the procurement of necessary furniture to meet urgent needs to save children providing favorable conditions that make them feel safer, happier and comfortable. The Government of Japan has decided to extend this grant to Parental Council for its good management, long, and strenuous efforts to support street children. An agreement to this effect was signed December 25 2001 in Sana'a by Mr. Abdul Kareem Moneer, Chief of the Parental Council in Ibb, and Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Yemen. It is worth mentioning that the above-mentioned scheme of Japan's Grant Assistance aims at supporting small-scale community-based projects in basic human need fields, such as primary health care, basic education and public welfare in developing countries, in addition to other social developmental fields.

Workshop on Small Enterprises

A two-day workshop on "Prospects of Local Development & Small Enterprises" was held in Aden last week. It was organized by GTZ (German Technical Cooperation Agency) in cooperation with the Industry & Trade Office in Aden. The event was attended by Secretary General of Local Councils in Aden, Abdulkarim Shayf, Shok Mark, Team-leader of GTZ's Small Enterprises

Promotion, Mohammed Ibrahim Mansour, Director of the Egypt-based Future Studies Center and representatives of the Aden University. The workshop aimed at promoting small enterprises in a drive to create new job opportunities in Yemen and strengthening the institutional capacity of these enterprises. Fifty participants took part in the workshop

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT THE SHERATON SANAA HOTEL

Children of different nationalities and religions shared the joy of Christmas when Santa Claus visited the Sheraton Sana'a Hotel on Christmas.

A special Santa's Barbecue was organized at the Sheraton Garden with lots of traditional Christmas food and a special buffet for the children.

The guests, not only represented the International Community of Sana'a but also many local people, were entertained by a band singing Santarina's and even the Sheraton Staff specially dressed up for the occasion and honored the guests with Christmas Carols.

For the children however, the highlight of the afternoon was the visit by Santa Claus himself. After waiting for a long time, the good man from the North Pole with his sack full of goodies came and all children cheered with the presents they got.



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**Polish Counselor to YT:
"The question of security has an utmost importance"**

Mr. Kazimierz Romanski, Counselor of the Embassy of Poland in Sana'a is a very active, dynamic and kind person. All the people of media who know him highly appreciate his personal capabilities and his distinguished character as a media personality. Although the Polish Embassy in Sana'a was opened in 1991, nobody knew well about the Polish diplomatic activities in Yemen, particularly in the media and commercial aspects, till the current staff of the Embassy were accredited in 1996 and 1997. The two-person staff of the Polish Embassy in Sana'a consists only of HE the Ambassador Mr. Krzysztof Suprowicz, and his Counselor, Mr. Kazimierz Romanski, who is also the Consul, as well as the Commercial and Media Attaché at the Embassy. Interestingly, these two persons also represent their country in Eritrea, Djibouti and Ethiopia, and the responsibilities entrusted to them are really arduous ones. I cannot indeed narrate all the skills and abilities of this capable person, although some people may mistakenly think that this appreciation is the result of my intimate friendship with him. However, the fact is that I could not express my real feelings towards him to its full, especially as I came to know that he was leaving Yemen only two hours before his departure.

Q: What are your impressions about Yemen?

A: I would like first to tell that it was rather a busy mission. I have been responsible for many things including the consular, economic, culture and press affairs. Yemen is a very beautiful country. Unfortunately, I haven't had enough time to visit all interesting places. I have many times been to Aden, Hodeidah, Mocha, Khukha, Taiz, Ibb, Marib, etc. But I have not had the opportunity to visit Mukalla or Syoum. I wish I would be able to visit them in the near future. I highly appreciate the changes in social and political life in Yemen. I have noticed the country had been progressing. There is a real press freedom here. There is a real opposition press. This is an exception to most of the Arab peninsula. On my mission here, I have been concentrating on presenting a good vision of Poland in Yemen. I also tried to present Yemen to Poland and the Polish people. I introduced all the business, trade and investment opportunities in Yemen to the Polish companies. In this regard, many official visits have been exchanged between the two countries. We have met many times with Yemeni delegations; we have had meetings with the press, representatives of radio, and TV to give Poland a chance to be presented.



to dive and I think Yemeni beaches, if utilized properly, will be a good destination for them. There are also historic sites such as the temple of Marib. But Yemen should attract tourists. Of course, I must tell frankly that one of the important conditions that must be met in order to attract tourists is security. In this regard, I really appreciate the Yemeni authorities' approach to decrease kidnappings. Kidnappings or similar acts make tourists reluctant to come. They are simply afraid of coming here. That is why all the efforts made by the authorities to stop and fight kidnappings must be enhanced. Also the Yemeni society, the sheikhs, the people who are planning to kidnap foreigners should know that this does not serve the good image of Yemen abroad and it cuts the possibility of tourists coming here. It cuts the possibilities of earnings, because tourists come with money to spend here. The hotels here are good, and day after day they are increasing in number. But the question of security has an utmost importance.

Q: A number of Polish business delegations have visited Yemen. Do they think of investing in Yemen? Are there problems blocking the way of Polish investment here?

A: We have established our mission here in 1991. The Yemeni embassy in Warsaw was opened also about the same time. There is a lack of information on the opportunities provided. What we have so far done is that we have arranged several Polish missions to Yemen. A mission from the Polish Chamber of Commerce visited Yemen last May and they had talks with their counterparts in Sana'a, Aden and Taiz. What we in the Embassy tried to do is to make it possible for the business

people to get together and to talk about this matter. I think that we have done the first step. More and more Polish businessmen know about Yemen more than before. They come, look, calculate the risks and possible profits. It is right that the Embassy cannot interfere much, because this is a private sector, but our obligation has been to create good opportunities for the people who want know their partners. We have our own Consulate in Aden. Anyone who is interested in this matter can come to get the information needed. I want to once again emphasize that we have practically finished the first stage; to make contact and to get together the businessmen. We should wait for the results. The big work has been done and the results are bound to come.

Q: Any last comment?

A: Once again I would like to mention that I have been here for more than 4 years. I would like to say that it has been, though a busy, a good and important time for me. I would like also to express my thanks to my Yemeni friends, businessmen, journalists and others who have been helpful to me. I wish them and the Yemeni people prosperity, happiness, success in their life. What I want to say at the very end is: keep your wonderful traditions and customs, but at the same time be open for new ideas, new worlds and what is modern. Be open for the other world for everybody who come to you and try to make business, try to make friendship and good relationships.

Interviewed by M. bin Sallam

Excerpts

Q: When did you come to Yemen?

A: I came here in the middle of 1997. It wasn't my first mission to an Arab country. Before I came here, I had worked in Libya and also in Egypt where I lived for more than five years. I have visited many other countries like Jordan and Iraq. So I am quite acquainted with the Arab world, policies, traditions, customs and habits. I must say that I do like the Arab world.

Q: What are your comments on tourism in Yemen?

A: Yemen has huge opportunities to become a tourist country. Tourists can come here if they know how wonderful the country is. That is why the authorities of Yemen should first present Yemen abroad through their diplomatic missions abroad to present Yemen there. As far as the tourist potentials are concerned, Yemen has many good landscapes and beaches. Many people like

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Curriculum Vitae

Born in 1958, Mr. al-Awadi is a father of four boys. He obtained his bachelor degree in Politics and Economy Sciences from Sana'a University, where he also obtained high diploma in International Politics. He then specialized in journalism in the University of Maryland in the USA, where he became a member of the editorial board of the newspaper of the University of California - Davis. He also became an active member of the Washington, DC-based International Center for Journalists. Apart from his original field of study of journalism and politics, al-Awadi was also a sportsperson. He worked as the sport correspondent of the "Saqr" Arabic sport magazine from 1978 till 1983. He became a member of the board of the Arab League for Sport Journalism during 1978-1990. Having a strong background

in sport media coverage, he was elected chairman of the Yemeni Union for Sport Information, playing a great role in linking sports with journalism. Al-Awadi then proceeded in expanding his journalism capabilities by becoming the official daily newspaper al-Thawra's correspondent in Washington, DC from 1992 to 1994. Lately he was also appointed vice chairman of the Yemeni Journalist Syndicate. However, al-Awadi's most influential role started to emerge after he took over the prestigious position of the Editor-in-Chief and Chairman of the Yemeni Official News Agency SABA, where he started working on July 3rd 1999. Ever since then, the agency grew tremendously with great pace to become one of the most active agencies in the Arab world. Apart from his role as a leading journalist and politician, al-Awadi is also a

teacher. He is a lecturer in Sana'a University's College of Information. Hence, he could also be seen as a respected academic personality who has given a lot to his students. Mr. Hussein al-Awadi extended his scope into human rights and culture when he became a member of the Advisory Board of the National Committee of Human Rights, and the Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Committee to Spread Culture and Knowledge. Mr. Hussein al-Awadi was appointed Minister of Information on April 4, 2001 of the 2-year government.

Achievements

Since he started his post as Minister of Information, Mr. al-Awadi made remarkable progress internally in the ministry and in promoting journalism values outside the ministry. Among his achievements since April 2001 are:

- 1- Establishment of the Media Center, which is a center located in the heart of Sana'a City and open to all journalists all the time. Al-Awadi usually comes over to the club on a daily basis every night and welcomes all visitors with their comments, ideas, and complaints. "Through this center, we aim at bringing journalists together, and having them know one

- another. This is a pool for all media people to find a refuge and place to meet" he told the Yemen Times. The center also offers its sports facilities including billiard, tennis, volleyball, and possibly football in the future. It can also be used to hold seminars, meetings, and even wedding ceremonies for journalists absolutely free of charge.
- 2- The Minister started a new strategy in removing all bureaucracies facing any journalist or anybody dealing with the ministry. Through extensive meetings and encouragements, the minister was able to reduce bureaucracy to low levels.
- 3- He exerted much efforts in sending talented and promising young journalists from the government sector abroad for training. He indicated many times the importance of giving a chance to the new generation and giving way for new talents to take over important posts in the ministry and in government run media establishments.
- 4- He set plans to establish new media centers, such as the one in Sana'a, in other cities in the country to promote the same ideas and to bring together journalists of those cities.
- 5- His encouragement to the non-gov-

- ernmental press was significant as he pushed hard to allocate a larger budget in the form of financial assistance to encourage the free and independent press for better performance.
- 6- Through continued invitations to journalists, al-Awadi was able to bring them together and have them share visions for the future of the press in Yemen. He insists that newspapers should all be treated equally no matter how critical they are of the state.
- 7- He brought new equipment and machinery to the state-run TV and Radio establishment. At the same time has been supporting its working staff financially and morally to have them cope with the worldwide global revolutions.
- 8- He raised life insurance of journalists and employees working in press establishments to YR 1 million, which is given to the family of the deceased after his death.
- 9- He promoted sport activities for employees of the ministry by launching various sport events, which he himself also participates in. Being a sportsperson and not being a qat chewer made him encourage his employees to give up chewing qat and instead direct their

- energies to sports in their leisure time. He ordered the construction of small cafeterias and green gardens at the TV and Radio establishments and the Ministry, as he did before in the Saba News Agency.
- 10- He is known for popping.
- 11- Finally, he is the only minister who does not require appointments to meet journalists. He simply allocates a time every day for any journalist who wants to visit him at his office. He also receives telephone calls on his direct line unlike all other ministers. Those are just a few of what the Minister did in just 8 months. He still has many plans ahead. He is planning to develop a technologically advanced website for the Ministry of Information to contain all the information needed by global readers. He will be pushing for greater changes in the way TV and Radio programs are operated. On this occasion, we would like to send our utmost congratulations to Minister Hussein al-Awadi hoping that this honor will encourage him to continue in this path for the better of the journalistic community and to be an example for other ministers to follow.

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There were tens of other people who were nominated for the YT Person of the Year 2001 title. The five who received the highest ranks are as follows.

- Ahmed Jaber Afeef**
Ahmed Jaber Afeef is the chairman and founder of the Afeef Cultural Establishment. He is a hard-working individual who does a lot but does not expose himself. He is an unknown soldier fighting for promoting cultural and social activities and principles. His establishment started several pioneer noble missions including the fight against qat, including the publication of the periodical "Yemen without Qat". He has also started a policy to honor intellectuals and artists who have given a lot for their field but have not given enough appreciation.
- Dr. Abdulkareem Shaiban**
Dr. Abdulkareem Shaiban is the Deputy Minister of Public Health and Population for Medical Care. He was the key and main role player in the late successful immunization campaign. People know that he has worked so hard for this campaign because they see the results. The remarkable effort exerted by Shaiban may have caught the attention of many viewers of TV and listeners of Radio. There was a time when he worked day and night to achieve better results in

- exposing and publicizing the importance of vaccinations. Using his post, he also played a significant role in providing assistance in the form of medicine for patients suffering from kidney failure. With his tireless efforts, he must have saved hundreds or even thousands of lives of children who may have been victimized by diseases.
- Fatima Al-Huraibi**
Fatima Al-Huraibi is simply one of the most hard working and ambitious members of the newly formed local councils. Being the manager of local council for the Tahrir zone of the Capital Secretariat, there is a common view that she has been working harder than any other male local council member in the capital secretariat. Despite being among the few females in such a post, she has proven that gender difference is not an issue. She had launched cleaning and awareness campaigns, in which she personally participated in for the capital city. She has also been involved in projects of constructing public parks for children and families. Fatima is also an active broadcaster working for the national TV station. She deserves gratitude for her role in presenting Yemeni women in the best way.
- Ahmed Al-Kuhlani**
The first action done by the new Capital Secretary Ahmed Al-Kuhlani after he was appointed a few months ago was reviving all the dead projects in the capital city. He launched an intensive campaign to resume all the projects that have been stalled for any reason, including pavement of roads, removal of illegal market places, cleaning parks, etc. He was faced with tremen-

- dous pressure from powerful individuals in order not to carry out his reforms, but he faced them courageously and insisted on fulfilling his duties. Among those challenges is establishing a properly organized modern market to replace the old traditional one. His action plan also includes providing space for cars to park in the Tahrir area in the heart of the city. Besides his efforts in improving the overall look of the city, he has also been pushing for better coordination with ministries for better civil services. Al-Kuhlani is also known for his humble attitude and opening his house for the public. Among his good deeds was providing Iftar meals for the poor during the month of Ramadan.
- Abdulmalik al-Mualimi**
As the newly appointed Minister of Communications, Engineer Abdulmalik Sulaiman Al-Mualimi is known to be an expert in telecommunications. He was the first to impose strict measures to remove bureaucracy in installing telephone lines. He also presented the motto of "a telephone line for everyone". His administrative skills in the ministry allowed better efficiency in providing services to the public. Among his courageous steps were removing the crook and inefficient figures that had been in office for tens of years and who had been a source of bureaucracy in the telecommunication establishments. Some people describe Al-Mualimi as a "practical person" with whom you may disagree, but when he insists on doing something, he does achieve his goal. Of course, what is common between him and other nominees is his modest attitude and open mind.

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Amid Present Challenges

What Does the USA Want from Yemen?



Walid A. Al-Saqqaf

No doubt, Yemen has always been, and would continue to be one of the most strategic allies to the USA in the Arabian Peninsula. The strong relations between the two countries continued to strengthen despite the sad events of October 2000 (USS Cole bombing) and the September 2001 terrorist attack in NYC and Washington DC. The USA should realize the importance of keeping Yemen as an ally in the region and prevent all what may cause damage to this highly-important relationship. At the same time, Yemen also values this relationship and has been emphasizing this on several occasions. Just recently, Yemen honored former US Ambassador to Yemen, Ms. Barbara Bodine with Yemen's Unity Medal, which is the highest badge of honor to confer by the President of the Republic. The USA has assisted Yemen in many ways, either in financial assistance through the World Bank or through projects on the ground, particularly in demining. Yemen has gained a lot from the USA in the form of support of the democratic experience. We cannot forget that the National Democratic Institute was the American Institute that organized the Emerging Democracies Forum, which was among the largest international events held in Yemen. In brief, Yemen and the USA have always been closely cooperating and they have pledged to continue on this path despite the recent unfortunate developments.

The September 11 Attacks
The tragic terrorist attack against the USA in New York City and Washington DC that killed roughly 4,000 civilians has put the Yemen-US relations to the test. The USA is currently facing a different kind of enemy, as US President George W. Bush said. This enemy is embodied by 'international terrorism', that cannot be fought by the USA alone. According to the USA, the present challenges consist of combating terrorism and preventing future threats that could repeat this tragic event, or any future biological or chemical terrorist attack. The superpower of the world emphasized that fighting international terrorism requires the assistance of all US allies including Yemen. The USA has openly said that it wanted Yemen to cooperate in fighting terrorism. This request is of great importance because US sees that international terrorism is a global phenomenon that could only be fought with joint efforts of multiple nations. There is no doubt concerning the important role Yemen could play at this particular time and amidst the present challenges of combating worldwide terrorism. Even though Yemen did not participate in any military coalition with the USA and the UK in their war in Afghanistan, Yemen has still shown good responses in arresting and interrogating suspects of being involved in terrorism. Apart from being helpful to the USA, those arrests are also meant for the security of Yemen itself. But what are the US demands specifically? What could Yemen possibly do in supporting the USA's plans in combating terrorism? It has become well-known that the USA has requested the Yemeni government

to carry out a number of arrests of persons thought to be involved in terrorist activities or movements. The Yemeni government responded positively in chasing and arresting some of those suspects. This demand is justified as long as it is based on solid evidence that those arrested were indeed linked to terrorism directly or indirectly. Despite the confidentiality of this response, local newspapers and media have revealed that tens of Yemenis and Arabs were indeed captured based on this fact. It is obvious to conclude that the main wanted figures in Yemen would be those who are thought to belong to the al-Qaeda network led by Osama bin Laden, who himself still is on the run.

Link between USS Cole and September Attack
It is undeniable that the FBI is convinced that those behind the October 2000 attack against the USS Cole Destroyer, which resulted in the death of American 17 marines, was indeed an act of the al-Qaeda network. One year following the attack, the Yemeni government continued to insist that it believes that Osama bin Laden had nothing to do with the attack. But the USA stressed that the gathered evidence points to the direction of al-Qaeda. US officials believe that if the USS Cole bombing and the September attacks were planned and carried out by the same network, then they must be linked. Hence, it is only logical to believe that the present challenge includes figuring out the links between the two events. This causes yet another obstacle to Yemen's development due to the fact that Yemen has been calling for the closure of the USS Cole file, which

remains as a stumbling rock in front of progress in the Aden Free Zone plans. The USS Cole incident has cost Yemen heavy losses rising to the tune of millions of dollars last year. This will continue to be the case unless the file is closed. But how can it be closed if the so-far revealed evidence shows that there may indeed be many links between the two events, especially as some suspects are still at large? The loud voice of Yemen demanding that the USS Cole file should be closed seems to have lowered if not diminished following the September attacks. The USA's grief is great and Yemen's understanding in the need to postpone any demands to close the file was expected. But then comes the question: Until when would Yemen wait for the USS Cole file to close?

Yemeni Public and Present Challenges
One of the main present challenges that faced the USA-Yemen relations during the US-led war in Afghanistan was public opinion. Yemenis had openly started feeling the burdens caused both by the USS Cole and the war against Afghanistan. The increasing public opposition to the war and to the Yemeni stance towards the victims falling in Afghanistan put greater pressure on Yemen's cooperation with the USA. President Ali Abdullah Saleh had stated earlier that he was concerned about the killing of Afghan civilians during the US-led attacks. His position is not at all better

than the condition of any other Arab or Muslim leader in the world. Hence, it is clear that the longer time the campaign would take the harder it would be for Yemen to cooperate with the USA. This cooperation, which is quite limited was further confined because of public opinion. As media, we see that Yemenis are slowly beginning to oppose the government's silence towards the human casualties in Afghanistan and the Palestinian/Israeli conflict in which they feel that the USA is still adopting a stand favorable to Israel.

Media & Yemen's support of a US war
The Yemeni press did report on the arrest campaign that the government carried out and continues to carry out. It has also highlighted the delay in the closure of the USS Cole case. But the press in general didn't say that Yemen is supporting USA's war against terror. Is Yemen indeed supporting this war? Arresting a number of radical fundamentalists thought to be involved in terrorism may as well be a precautionary action regardless of the USA's demands. But it is easy to recall the honey shops that had their assets frozen. Yemen's reaction was swift in freezing bank accounts of the owners of those shops. This brings yet another indication that Yemen had indeed cooperated with the USA. If we think of this war as a war that includes the freezing of assets and arrest of individuals linked to terrorism, then one can safely claim that Yemen

does support the war against terror, which is not solely the strikes against Afghanistan, but a long campaign against whom may be seen as Islamic extremists. The opposition press openly criticized the government's actions and the suspension of the accounts of the honey shop owners, who denied any link to al-Qaeda or Osama bin Laden. On the contrary, they made a mockery of this claim with tens of cartoons asking "how could simple honey shops with small budgets support terrorism with huge assets?" Pressure on the Yemeni government is expected to increase after the USA indicated that the two Islamic movements Hamas and Islamic Jihad, who are seen as idols for Yemenis, are among terrorist groups. If Yemen attempts to crack down on their offices in Yemen, then there could be stiff resistance from the public and media.

The Future
Until now, Yemen has demonstrated its faithfulness by standing shoulder to shoulder with the USA and the American people right from the start. But the increasing criticism of the public, the rising voice of some politicians in opposing the so-called US double standards regarding the oppression against Palestinians, and the USA's endless support of Israel are all factors behind a possible change. Many of the current challenges are critical but one hopes that those challenges would not cause obstacles to the unique, strong, and growing ties between Yemen and United States of America.

Objectives of the U.S. War against Terror

(Part 3 of 10)



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As a consequence of the Vietnam's dilemma, the United States attempted to adopt a new political and military approach towards the Asian countries in compliance with Nexen Principle. The principle which was declared in 1966 stressed USA's commitments towards certain countries in the world through creating a nuclear shield to defend itself and its allies. But in case of non-nuclear aggressions the USA would restrict its support to providing its allied countries with military and economic aids. The contents of Nexen Principle focused on the utilization of human resources of its allied states; however the principle did not change the fundamental objectives of the U.S. foreign policy. President Nexen himself stressed this point in an article published in 1972, stating "We have retained the concept of USA's objectives, but had reconsidered the ways to achieve them. This will happen through customizing them in ways that suit the international variables." In reality, the US reconsideration of the means to achieve its goals focused on a set of policies, which will be elaborated in the rest of the article. The American military leadership adopted the so-called the "Blue Water" policy which greatly relayed on the U.S. marine forces. Hence, it tended to deploy its marine fleets all over the world, particularly near the territorial waters of the developing countries as

a way of pressurizing those nations. It also sought to get facilities in sea in other part of the world. The United States attempted to involve many regional alliances within its global political system. This was confirmed by the former U.S. Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, when he stated that if the United States was serious to apply a fruitful foreign policy, it should be attentive to forming global coalitions that would consequently assume defending their soils with the U.S. support. He added that the USA would focus on building general systems more than occupying itself with the domestic issues of those regions. Based on this approach the U.S. administration vigorously attempted to attract both Iran and Saudi Arabia to its side. It generously provided them with all sorts of arms in a drive to realize its objectives in the region. "Selling military equipment has become an integral part for safeguarding the U.S. interests in this region," a U.S. marine forces periodical reported. Although, this approach collapsed with the removal of the Shah of Iran in

1979, the USA started its direct military expansion in the region two years earlier, namely in August 1977 when Jimmy Carter announced order No. 18 concerning strategic military issues; the Gulf region, W. European countries, Southern Korea and Israel were all considered U.S. interests zones. Accordingly, it treated any attempts to have a presence in the region as working against the U.S. top interests which should be retaliated against by all the available means, including the use of military force. In 1979-1980, the United States went ahead with implementing its rapid intervention program which had 120,000 troopers, including motorized infantry forces, marines, tactical warplanes, and four marine fleets. The Pentagon declared in March 1980 the setting up of the command-staffs of the rapid deployment forces, which was later entrusted to the U.S. Central Command formed by the Pentagon. The scope of action of these forces covered 19 countries stretching from Kenya to Pakistan.

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Major Economic Events in Yemen during 2001



Mahyoub Al-Kamali

A good number of economic transitions in Yemen were recorded throughout 2001. Intensive specialized symposia on investment, trade, and finance were organized. The diesel price zoomed causing resentment among people. However, the government went on carrying out the Economic Reforms Program and got a grant of \$1,180,000,000 from the World Bank to support it. Below is a list of some of the major economic events that took place during 2001.

January

- The Yemeni famous dragon blood trees were given priority among all the national exports to the foreign markets.
- The Middle East Manager of the World Bank, Andrea Sud, expressed during a visit to Yemen, his appreciation of the administrative and economic reforms in Yemen.
- A memorandum of understanding between the Ministries of Oil and Mineral Wealth and Canadian Nexen Petroleum Yemen Company was signed to explore oil and gas in Hadhramaut governorate.
- The General Investment Authority (GIA) licensed projects estimated at more than YR 93 billion. The projects included the establishment of eight cement factories, oil refineries in Hadhramaut, Ras Isa in Hodeidah and other kind of projects.
- The General Corporation for Weaving and Spinning honored 466 of its retired workers in recognition of their efforts and their role in serving the good of the Corporation.
- The General Manager of GIA, Abdulkareem Motahar said in a meeting with the Belgian Business delegate visiting Yemen at the time that the Yemeni government paid special attention to the foreign

investors and that it would facilitate their jobs in Yemen.

February

- The General Authority of Electricity and Rural Water allocated YRs 1,500,000,000 to the implementation of 125 projects all over the country.
- The President of the Central Bank of Yemen (CBY), Ahmad Abdulrahman Al-Sammawi said the banks' reserves of foreign currency reached \$ 3, 000,000,000. He added that banks in Yemen achieved a great success as a result of the economic and financial reforms indicating that the overall banking sector's reserves starting from March 1995 to the end of 2000 totaled YR 2,800,000,000.
- Abduljabbar Hayel Saeed, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the al-Tadhamon Islamic Bank, stated that the bank's profits during 2000 mounted to YR 2 billion registering a 48-percent increase in comparison with 1999. He said the overall deposits of the bank increased from YR 9.5 billion to YR 21.6 billion during the last year. At the same time, money put for investment increased from YR 7.5 billion to YR 17.5 billion during 2000.
- Eight oil fields were explored in Marib. Oil experts said the production capacity of the fields was 65 thousand barrels per day.
- A joint production agreement was signed by the Ministry of Oil and Mineral Wealth, Canadian Nexen Petroleum Yemen Company, the American Occidental Company and one of the companies of the Yemeni Corporation for Oil and Gas to explore oil in Block 59 in Hadhramaut and al-Mahra which stretches over 4168 square km.
- Profits of the Amran Cement Factory during 2000 were announced to reach YR 4 billion. The production level of the same factory reached 700,000 tons while the overall revenues during the same year mounted to YR 8,500,000,000.
- The Tobacco and Matches National Company Ltd. said it last year achieved the highest level of production, marketing and profits since it

was founded in 1963. The production level reached 318 thousand cigarette cartoons registering an increase by 240, 242 cigarette cartoons in 1999. The company's profits were also announced to have increased to YR 1,903,518,000 in 2000, registering an increase by 1.8 percent in comparison with the company's profits in 1999.

Computer Section was inaugurated at the Industrial and Vocational Institute supported by the Embassy of the Republic of China at the cost of YR 2 million.

March

- The Chairman of the General Union of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Abdullah Ali Al-Sunaidar announced the agreement to set up a Yemeni-Saudi Holding Company entrusted with implementing joint investment projects.
- A delegation from an American exploratory company arrived in Yemen to hold talks about completing the second phase of oil exploration in Shabwa.
- Geological studies confirmed that the zeolite mineral exploration sites could attract a lot of investors owing to the fact that they were near to the paved roads which facilitated transportation of the raw material to the local markets and to export harbors.
- During the first half of 2001, the overall crude oil unloaded to the Aden Refinery totaled 1,485,000,57 tons. In the same context, the overall exportation of the refined oil and its derivatives totaled 845,646 tons.
- A memorandum of understanding was signed between the Oil Ministry and a Russian oil company according to which the Russian company was given the green light to explore oil and gas in Blocks No. 37 and 39 in al-Mahra.
- An agreement was reached in Sana'a between the Ministry of Oil and Mineral Wealth and the Arab Industrial and Mineral Development Organization with the view of activating cooperation between the two sides, particularly in the field of utilizing the mineral wealth. The meeting also concentrated on continuing cooperation and joint coordination between the Organization and the Ministry to discuss the arrangements for the Eighth Conference for Mineral Wealth to be held in Sana'a in 2003.

April

- The Islamic Bank delegation headed by the Deputy Manager of Projects and Operation Department, al-Mansoub Bin Fatta concluded a visit to Yemen during which they discussed projects financed by the bank.
- The Reconstruction and Development Bank of Yemen announced that its distributable profits, with tax being excluded, during 2001 reached YR 435,460,000.
- Yemen participated in the second cycle of the technical committee concerned with liberating the foreign trade and economic globalization in the ESCWA countries. The event was held in Doha on 7-8 April. Participants discussed the scope of progress in the field of foreign trade for the year 2000 and 2001.
- Economic statistics indicated that the trade balance achieved export surplus totaling YR 299,296,448,000 during 2000. The value of the total exports of national products reached YR 659,831,484,000 while imports' costs totaled YR 380,535,000,000 during the same year.
- In collaboration with the Social Fund for Development the College of Agriculture in Ibb organized a course on agro-industry and home economics for districts of the governorate of Ibb. A number of lectures were delivered by participants in the field of agro-industry and home economics.
- Yemen participated in the Cairo Arab Businesswomen Conference under the theme 'The Arab Joint Market in Reality'. The conference was organized by the Egyptian Businesswomen and Development Society.
- Participants at the training course organized by the Aden Chamber of Commerce and Industry in collaboration with GTZ stressed the importance of small enterprises in supporting Yemeni market and providing job opportunities for people.

- The Ministry of Technical Education and Vocational Training organized a number of short training courses for the unemployed people at the Technical and Commercial Institute in Aden. More than 34 people from Aden, Lahj, and Abyan attended the courses.
- After the political stability was achieved, the government started to search for International as well as regional experts to help it market its agricultural, mineral and marine products worldwide.

May

- A number of Yemeni and Emeritus businessmen called for a wide and highly developed trade network between Yemen and the Gulf Countries with the aim of activating the role of trade and investment and the flow of commodities and services.
- A delegation from the Sharja Chamber of Commerce and Industry toured the Old City of Sana'a.
- Economic statistics said 17 trading companies were established in the first half 2000.
- In the sideline of the UN Third Conference for LDC held in Brussels, the Minister of Commerce and Industry discussed with Brussels PM the Yemeni investment law, as well as the facilities and privileges granted by the law.
- Yemeni industrialists called for an extensive discussion of the sales tax law draft before submitting it with its final amendments to the parliament. In a press conference held in Sana'a, the industrialists demanded more consideration for some living and investment circumstances in addition to a number of products that require more encouragement by the government.

June

- The hydrographic surveys of the territorial waters and Yemeni islands were completed. The surveys which started in December 2000, were conducted by a British ship under the supervision of a technical team from the Yemeni Seaports Authority and the General Authority of Marine Affairs.
- The Customs Authority concluded a custom orientation symposium organized by the Authority in collaboration with the government bodies. More than 35 specialists from the authority, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and the General Union of Chambers of Commerce and Industry participated in the symposium.
- Participants in the symposium on a stock market in Yemen recommended more efforts for completing the necessary requirements to improve the organizational, economic, legal, and legislative environment as to pave the way for the establishment of a stock market in Yemen.
- The Ministry of Water and Electricity announced that \$300 million had been allocated to reforming the electrical system and overcoming the current deficiency in generating power in Yemen.
- The Yemeni and Italian chambers of commerce and industry held a meeting in Sana'a. The two sides discussed the progress made by Yemen in different aspects, specially in promoting investment on its land. The Italian delegation was briefed on the facilities granted by the Yemeni Investment Law. Means of enhancing bilateral cooperation between Yemen and Italy were also discussed.
- The Intellectual Property Symposium was organized in Sana'a by the National Committee for Preparation for and Negotiation with the WTO and in collaboration with the International Organization for the Intellectual Property. A good number of researchers and economists participated in Symposium.

July

- Torrential rains caused huge damage to the arable land in Hadhramaut. Several people and livestock were drifted away.
- The Yemeni Minister of Commerce and Industry, Abdurahman Mohammed Othman, met in the Dutch embassy in Sana'a with the Dutch commercial attache and the Chief Executive of Fast Company implementing the technical aid project at the Small Enterprises Development Unit and discussed

with them fields of bilateral cooperation between Yemen and the Netherlands. They also discussed the preparation to change the Unit into fund to support small enterprises.

Under the sponsorship of the PM, Abdulkader Bajammal, the Yemen International Exhibition for Industry and Agriculture 2001 was organized. More than 150 industrial and agricultural companies and institutions took part in the event.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry met with the World Bank representative Hogolia Deflin. In the meeting the two sides discussed the World Bank activities in Yemen and its role in the development of role of the private sector through its assistance to Yemen.

August

- The General Corporation for Cement Industry and Marketing was successfully able to meet its production and sales plan during the first half of 2001, registering an increase in the production by 117 percent. Production of the the Bajel Cement Plant exceeded the planned production level by 130 percent. Similarly, production of the Amran Cement Plant went beyond the expected production level by 112 percent and that of the al-Barh Cement plant by 114 percent. Statistics indicated that the overall cement production at the three plants reached 743 thousand tons during the first half of the current year.
- The Supreme Council for Exports Development in Sana'a held a meeting chaired by the PM in which decisions centered on the Five-Year Plan and other topics related to the development of national products as well as the possibilities of exporting the Yemeni products to the African markets.
- The Ministry of Commerce banned importation of commodities that do not bear the country of origin.
- The Commercial Court in Aden settled 543 disputes out of 777 different cases during 2001.
- The General Union of Arab Chambers of Commerce and Industry condemned the Israeli aggression against the Palestinians plus the embargo imposed upon the Palestinian trade movement.
- The Yemeni Chamber of Commerce and Industry estimated the different kinds of fish available in the territorial waters along the Yemeni coastlines at 300 different kinds.
- In assessment of the Economic Reforms Program implemented since 1995 by the government of Yemen, a report by the representatives of the Arab Chambers of Commerce and Industry meeting in Sana'a said the program had helped stabilize the exchange rate, stop deterioration of the national currency, etc. The report added that the budget deficit had also been lessened and that economic growth of 5.5 percent was achieved in 2000.
- Studies done by a team from the General Authority of Electricity and Rural Water showed that great sweet water reservoirs were found in Baghinish located in the north of Mdeh in Abyan.

September

- The Minister of Labor and Social Affairs and the chairman of board of directors of the Social Fund for Development, Abdulkareem al-Arhabi confirmed that the State had shown great interest in improving mechanisms of alleviating poverty among the lower classes.
- The Taxes Authority burned 161 smuggled cigarette cartoons which have illegally entered the country.
- In Sana'a, a training course was organized on Project planning by the Societies Development Program and the Ministry of the Planning and Development in collaboration with the United Nation Development Project (UNDP).

October

- The Board of Directors of the Free Zones Authority discussed the annual report on the Authority's activities in the Aden Free Zone as well as the developments in the Container Terminal. The report also concentrated on the accomplished phases in the industrial zone and the new investment projects.
- The participants in the workshop on Documenting and Exchanging Experiences in the Planting and

Production of Coffee called for the establishment of a national coffee center for promoting and developing coffee production in Yemen.

- An agreement was signed at the General Authority of Water and Sanitation in Sana'a to implement a sewage network in both al-Sabeen and al-Sawad areas at the cost of \$ 2,955,762.
- The Ministry of Fish Wealth conducted studies and researches on adornment fish in the Yemeni territorial waters in the Red Sea with the aim of protecting them from washouts and damage.
- In Dar Sa'id, the first experiment to implement small enterprises in the educational field supported by the Societies Development Program was succeeded. The program aimed at alleviating poverty and unemployment among university graduates in Aden governorate.
- The Minister of Commerce and Industry discussed with the World Bank representative means to develop relations between Yemen and the World Bank in the field of commerce and industry.
- A memorandum of understanding was signed in Sana'a between the Ministry of Fish Wealth and the Red Sea Studies Center for Islamic and Arab Studies Center in Exeter University. The memorandum called for exerting efforts to promote the Red Sea identity at all levels, a matter that can be achieved through exchanging curricula, organizing training courses, holding exhibitions, symposia, conferences and setting up joint work teams.
- A symposium on the import of second-hand vehicles warned against the increase in the volume of imports from non-countries of origin which was estimated at YR 97 billion.
- The participants in the training course on acetylating, multiplying and paring the olive tree in Yemen stressed the necessity of taking care of the olive tree in Yemen. The course was organized by the General Administration of the Botanic Production Department in the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation in collaboration with the Arab Center for Studying Dry Lands.
- An agreement on the expansion of the Cultural Cooperation Program between Yemen and China for the coming five years was signed between the two countries in Beijing. According to the agreement the government of China will grant more scholarships in the cultural fields for Yemenis in addition to exchanging experiences, information, documents, etc. in all different cultural aspects.
- The Supreme Council for Civil Service dropped out a number of phantom names within the framework of the administrative, financial and economic reforms implemented by the government since 1995.

November

- An agreement to properly utilize the working force was signed between Yemen and UAE at the UAE Foreign Ministry. The agreement included organizing the Yemeni Labor in the UAE in collaboration with the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs in Yemen.
- The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) granted loans to Yemen totaling to \$1,18 million in support of the second Five-Year Plan (2001-2005).
- The World Bank allocated \$1,180,000,000 to supporting development projects in Yemen during the coming period. The bank also allocated an amount of \$50 to a project meant for the protection of Taiz from floods.

December

- The Supreme Council of Motherhood & Childhood and the National Population Council are to continue preparations for holding the third national conference for population policies scheduled for October 2002.
- A training course on human resources administration and planning was concluded at the Ministry of Public Health. More than 40 participants from the Human Resources Administration and Planning in the health offices took part in the course.
- More than 600 handicapped were employed in a number of Yemeni cities.

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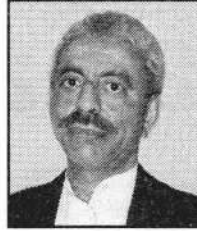
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COMMON SENSE

By: Hassan Al-Haifi



Who are the real terrorists in the Holy Land?

Let's Call a Spade a Spade!

By now, the world has gotten a fairly good glimpse of the intransigence and militancy of the Zionist regime, presently led by the hawkish Ariel Sharon. It would be foolish to think that there are really any doves among the leading members of the Israeli political establishment, because the whole conception of the State of Israel is based on a sustainable militant drive, upon which its existence hinges. It would be also ludicrous to presume that the Zionist bulldozer that Sharon has come to symbol vividly has any perceptions of any climate of peace or coexistence, not only with the Palestinians, but the Arab world as a whole. Any keen observer of the events that have transpired over the last couple of weeks in the Holy Land of Palestine will have to conclude that even the idea of a Palestinian entity living side by side with the Zionist citadel is just simply out of the question, as far as Ariel Sharon and his gung – ho supporters in Israel and within the international Zionists establishment are con-

cerned.

Thus, we saw the Israeli war machine unleash a cold blooded systematic campaign to underscore the real Zionist thinking about how relations should be maintained with their neighbors, and carry out a systematic effort to destroy any semblance of a Palestinian entity, which include the fragile make-shift institutional apparatus, which Palestinians have been able to set up over the span of fifteen years of negotiations – and then only after intensive pressure from the United States, during a period in which the United States showed more sincerity in its quest for peace and a genuine desire to give the Palestinians some hope for the future.

But now, a bloody and merciless campaign under a deliberate and well-planned assault, both militarily and media – wise, disguised as a campaign to thwart "terrorism", and with the green light of the White House, was unleashed by Sharon and his fellow demagogues releasing their hate machine against the internationally

recognized, but poorly prepared and equipped "Palestinian Authority" and the poor people of Palestine, who have been subjected to Zionist terrorism for close to a century. The objective of this ugly campaign is to eliminate or destroy as much of the fragile and mostly symbolic embryonic infrastructure of the now even more remote hope of a Palestinian state, which for all intents and purposes, as anyone familiar with Zionist dogma knows, is the most dreaded phenomenon in Zionist thought. At the same time, by this massive onslaught, the Zionist hate machine was ascertaining the obvious reality that the Zionist designs for the Holy Land are to proceed without any interruption (the building of Israeli settlements on Palestinian territory, the destruction of homes of Palestinians under fabricated allegations that they are used by terrorists and other excuses, etc.). As far as the "Palestinian State" is concerned, that should never be expected to go beyond an idea thrown around from one negotiation table to another and from one "peace plan" to another, with the final decision left for Israel to make at all time, notwithstanding all the talk of adherence to United Nations resolutions, the Mitchell Plan, the Ross Plan, the ... Plan, ad infinitum.

The ugliness of this aura was clearly manifested last week by the Israelis decision to bar Yasser Arafat from being allowed temporary parole from his detention by the Israelis in Ramallah, to be able to undertake his periodic omen gesture to his fellow Christian Palestinian brothers on the real tenets of peaceful coexistence and tolerance, which Arab Christians have come to always expect and respect from their Moslem Arab brothers for ages, since the dawn of Islam. This clearly underscores the scary reality that the Holy Land, for all intents and purposes, has become subject to Zionist whims. Even the worship of God has become under the mercy of Zionist demagoguery, which has never projected any illusions of tolerance of any other religious practice in the midst of what they insist, preposterously, to be "their Promised Land".

Nevertheless, it is disgusting to hear the "senior advisor" and "spokesman" for Ariel Sharon, who seems to shrug off any contact with the press – a trait common to all criminals – continue to insist that Arafat "must show evidence that he will cease all the "terror" that is unleashed against the "Israeli teenagers

happily enjoying their pizza" and other seemingly innocent images the Israelis like to paint themselves with. The advisor and spokesman know full well that the pizza parlors are on streets where Palestinian children used to play for generations that go back well into biblical times, before any pizza parlors were ever set up by alien "settlers", who hail from distant lands and who have no roots whatsoever to the indigenous people of Palestine, or links to the land, they have taken by force, and who deliberately and mercilessly usurped the original inhabitants of those streets and killed as many of them as they could along the way. Before calling anybody "terrorist", the spokesman and advisor of Ariel Sharon should just ask the millions of Palestinian refugees, who are living in squalid camps under the worst conditions and under a continuous Israeli siege, how did they get there in the first place? There are vivid realities of continuous suffering in the West Bank and Gaza that would break the heart of the coldest of human beings. There are millions of faces, all of which tell a thousand and one tragic tales of real terror, which the Palestinians and other Arabs have experienced and witnessed, which was unleashed by the Israeli Terror Machine, against helpless unarmed civilians over the span of eighty years, since Lord Balfour issued his infamous 'Promise' to assist in the establishment of a Jewish National Home in Palestine, albeit at the time (1917) Palestine was still under Ottoman Turkish domination and fully inhabited by the indigenous people of Palestine. For thousands of years, these indigenous people of Palestine have seen invaders and conquerors come and go, but none of these conquerors and invaders sought to eliminate their existence or questioned their inalienable right to live in their homeland, even including the ruthless Crusaders, who occupied Jerusalem for 90 years. They did not carry out a campaign to suddenly wipe out the indigenous people they have overtaken in war, or repulse them from their homes while erasing every trace of the links, which these refugees once had with the land.

The time has really come to call a spade a spade and not to slander others, before getting the facts in order, and not to wish-wash history with imaginary tales and make up artistry of innocence that disguises much evil and unholy foolishness.

The Coalition Against Terrorism: The First Hundred Days

Edmund J. Hull,
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Yemen



The terrorists who leveled the World Trade Center, smashed into the Pentagon, caused a passenger jet to be flown into the ground in Pennsylvania, and killed thousands of people in the morning of September 11, thought that they would change the world forever.

The terrorists did change the world, but in ways they never intended.

Where the terrorists sought to divide and destroy, the world has instead joined together to build a coalition against terrorism. Where the terrorists tried to sow doubt and fear, the world has responded with commitment, courage, and determination. Where the terrorists imagined they could hide, the coalition is turning them out of their lairs, and will bring them to justice.

It has now been 100 days since those terrorist attacks, 100 days since the world joined forces to eliminate terrorism. Acting together, the coalition has used its military power to pursue and eliminate the terrorists in Afghanistan. The coalition has worked together to cut off the flow of terrorist financing worldwide, and to make it more difficult for terrorists to cross borders, unnoticed, to carry out their murderous plans.

While the coalition's military objectives – the elimination of the Taliban and al-Qaeda terrorist threat – have not yet been fully achieved, a great deal has been accomplished in this first hundred days. Afghanistan is now back in the hands of Afghans eager to rebuild their country; humanitarian aid, interrupted by the Taliban, is once again flowing to the Afghan people; girls are returning to the classroom; women are free to venture outside their homes; widows can now provide food for their families; children can once again fly kites; music is once again heard in the streets; boys can play soccer again.

Perhaps most remarkable of all, in defiance of history and with the help of the United Nations and the international community, Afghans have put aside their differences to form an interim government, and to work together to rebuild their country. Afghan women will take their rightful place in this new government, and the Afghan people will once again govern themselves.

The terrorist network in Afghanistan has been disrupted and dismantled, but there is still much to do to make sure they can never again launch their destruction on the world community. The elimination of al-Qaeda and other terrorist groups will not be quick or easy, but whether it takes a week or a year or a decade, the terrorists will be brought to justice.

The war on terrorist financing is one of

the outstanding successes in the war on terrorism. Law enforcement agencies in countries worldwide are contributing to the success of the war on terror by sharing information in order to apprehend terrorists before they strike. Yet much needs yet to be done. United Nations Security Council Resolution 1373, passed on September 28, requires all nations to adopt and implement wide-ranging anti-terrorism measures, especially those suppressing financing to terrorist groups and improving international cooperation hindering the free movement of terrorist operatives. The US stands ready to work with partner nations in accomplishing these objectives.

In addition, the twelve United Nations conventions against terrorism constitute the bedrock of the international community's response to the terrorist threat. All states should ratify and implement these conventions.

Thanks to coalition action in Afghanistan, humanitarian aid is now moving overland to those Afghans most in need. Bridges and roads from Afghanistan's neighbors have reopened, and with the collapse of the Taliban, international humanitarian aid workers have returned to Afghanistan. Millions of Afghans, facing hunger due to the long years of civil war, drought, and Taliban misrule, must be fed through the winter if they are to survive. While the US is the largest single donor of humanitarian assistance to Afghans, many other countries are also helping to provide the food that will save Afghan lives in the coming months.

President Bush called on the people and children of America to open their hearts and reach out to the people and children of Afghanistan. Shipment of medical aid and assistance, including school supplies, clothing and gifts are now on their way to Afghanistan. Among this outpouring of human caring are winter tents, winter jackets, and 10,000 gift parcels from the children of America to the children of Afghanistan, containing hats, socks, toothbrushes and hair brushes, candy and toys, which may bring joy to those children who have suffered such incredible hardship.

The terrorists imagined they would change the world. But they could never have imagined the way in which the world would come together after September 11. Those who committed the terrorist crimes of September 11 galvanized the international community and brought the countries of the world together, united by a resolve to eliminate the threat of terrorism.

During the first hundred days since September 11, the coalition against terrorism has already achieved what many thought would be impossible. Yet there is still much to do, and there is no going back. And in the end, the world will be victorious over terrorism.

Abeeda Tribes Upset by Government Attacks



Hussein Ali Bin
Saad
Mareb

The Tuesday of December 18, 2001 saw the brutal offensive by government forces on Abeeda tribes in Al-Hasoon village in Mareb under the justification of the presence of terrorists connected with al-Qaeda network. This action sparked by irresponsible government officials and which resulted in the killing of innocent families forced the Abeeda tribesmen to return fire in self-defense resulting in a number of deaths among the government troops. Following this unpleasant incident the Abeeda tribes condemned this act of violence and confirmed that Mareb did not harbor terrorists of any organization because if they were here, we would be the first victims. We were surprised to see that the government which is responsible for protecting the citizens turns around to kill them just to create a scenario aimed at pleasing foreign pressures. I hereby advise the government to be more logical and careful in succumbing to such international pressures whereby the outcome may end up

very costly. Instead of making hasty decisions to use force, the government should exercise extreme patience and solve internal problems diplomatically. I am confident that the government knows very well how to deal with its own people. This kind of negative and senseless approach in solving issues of national importance came unexpectedly.

The Mareb tribes have for many years been suffering from poverty due to lack of government support for improving people's standard of living by providing them with the basic needs despite the relentless follow-ups by the Mareb Abeeda tribes.

We love our president and we would like the president to love his own people, too. I repeat again that Mareb Abeeda tribes do not harbor any terrorist organization. At the same time the greedy politicians should refrain from using Mareb tribes as scapegoat for their own interests. Such politicians should instead unravel the mystery of the budget and aid for Mareb for all these years. What happened to it and where did it go? Is this attack aimed at diverting the Abeeda tribes' attentions? The government should explain to the people and the media the disappearance of all financial support for this province, especially that was promised to Abeeda tribes.

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Views of Japan

Since 1976, Japan has been one of the major donor countries to extend financial and technical aid to the former Yemen Arab Republic (YAR), People's Democratic Republic of Yemen (PDRY) and the present unified Yemen. Such donations include financial support of vital projects in the health, education, food, etc. spheres, as well as debt relief. A look at the tables of Japanese aids below shows how generous has the government of Japan been to Yemen. The significant help of the government of Japan to Yemen has been accompanied by extensive efforts to enhance the bilateral relations between the two countries through exchanging official visits, as well as joint work in a number of cooperation programs.

As enhanced relations and ties among countries require more openness to and understanding of one another's culture, the government of Japan created an invitation program which includes youth invitation program through which young people from Mideast countries are invited to Japan not only to learn more about the Japanese politics, economy, culture and society, but to feel and to exchange opinions with Japanese youths. I was lucky to be chosen this year from Yemen to tour Japan, a country that I have never expected to be able to see.

Away from the Japanese sophisticated technology known worldwide, I was astounded to see how cultural Japan



Tsuji family's house in Kyoto combines both modernity and tradition

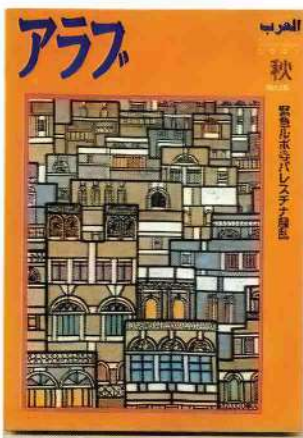
was. More surprising was the good number of cultural aspects similar to ours, Yemenis. For example, I had to take off my shoes when I entered the Japanese house of the generous Tsuji family which hosted us for two days in Kyoto and I sat on the ground to have lunch and dinner. Out of the many colorful cultural pictures of Japan, the following selected images, though a few, are enough to open a window on the richness of the Japanese culture

● **Architecture**

The Japanese architecture has been greatly influenced by the Chinese style. However, many differences are to be noticed. Modernization has also changed a lot of the traditional aspects in the Japanese life. For example, until 1912 most Japanese families would sit on the ground. Chairs and tables appeared after this time.

The Japanese architecture has also been influenced by the climate. Summers in most of Japan are long, hot, and humid, a fact that is reflected in the way homes are built. The traditional houses are a bit raised so that the air can move around and beneath them.

The interior of Japanese houses in the past was virtually open, without even screens to partition off individual spaces. Gradually, as more thought was given to particular areas and their functions, such as eating, sleeping, or dressing, self-standing screens came into use. Paper-covered sliding doors, which are still seen, came afterward. Such doors can be easily removed to



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A new mosque in Tokyo

open up the entire space.

From an aesthetic standpoint, the traditional house is designed for people who are seated, not standing. Doors, windows, and alcoves are placed so that both artwork in the house and the garden outside can be viewed appropriately from a sitting position.

Despite the changes that modernization



Tokyo Islamic Center

has brought to the style of houses, the traditional Japanese style has not vanished. Even in the westernized houses, it is still usual to find a room whose floor is covered over with a Japanese mat, and it is still the custom of people to take off their shoes before entering the house.

● **Kinkakuji Temple (The Golden Pavilion), Kyoto**

Kyoto, the old capital city of Japan, is very cultural. It is featured by many ancient temples. It is perhaps invidious to single out any particular ones among them, but there are some which have achieved, for various reasons, particu-

lar fame. Kinkakuji, or the Golden Pavilion, is chief among them.

The Gold-plated temple is situated in the northwest of the city. Interestingly, three different architectural styles were combined together to produce this tourist-attraction piece of art. The first floor is constructed in a palatial style; the second is a samurai house, like a temple hall and the third is austere, bare 'Zen Temple' with a statues of the Buddha of the Pure Land. Only the second and the third floors are covered with gold-leaf. The roof, upon which the Chinese phoenix settles, is thatched with shingles.

Recently, the coating of Japanese lacquer was found a little decayed and a new coating, as well as gilding with gold-leaf, much thicker than the original ones, was given to the building and was completed in 1987.

The Golden Pavilion, inscribed as World Cultural Heritage in 1994, sits on the edge of a lake dotted with islets and surrounded by woodland.

● **Religion**

Many Japanese are Buddhists. It was in 538 or 552 that when Buddhism was brought to Japan via Korea. In 741 provincial temples began to be constructed. However, today there is a verity of other religions which have the freedom to be practiced.

As far as Islam is concerned, there is no satisfactory information about the exact number of

Muslims and the date of the emergence of Islam in Japan. However, available information say the first Japanese Muslim converted into Islam in 1890 on the hands of a British Muslim in Istanbul.

It is a fact that Japan is a hard land for Islamic penetration through conventional process of preaching. Apart from the deep-rooted local Shinto religion, there are strong imported religions such as Buddhism and Christianity, and also some new local religions. Added to them are imitation of western material civilization, atheism, non-religionism, or even anti-religionism- all of which make it difficult for the penetration of Islam.

Among the host of religions available in Japan, it is very interesting to feel how much religious tolerance is here. "We have parties and festivals together with the Buddhists and Christians. We even call for Muslim prayers at their presence," said Fadhllullah A. Nakamichi, Acting Chairman and Director of Publication of Islamic Center.

The Islamic Center was established in Tokyo in 1975 by the efforts of Muslim students who came to study in Japan. It

introduces Islam, translates Islamic books from Arabic into Japanese, etc. More than 40 books have been translated into Japanese. These are distributed free of charge to those interested in Islam. Dr. Fadhllullah said that these books were much more demanded by Japanese living abroad.

The first book to be translated was 'The Principles of Islam' by Abu Al-Alaa Al-Mawdudi. Presently, the center is translating 'Riadh Al-Salehin' one of the major and most trusted Islamic references. Its translator, Ashraf Yasui, a Japanese Muslim has translated many Islamic books into Japanese and has set Arabic language courses for Japanese. According to Dr. Fadhllullah, 3-10 Japanese become Muslims every month.

● **The Way of Tea (Chado)**

The tea ceremony is the ritualized preparation and serving of powdered green tea in the presence of guests. It is a discipline nurtured and refined by the Japanese since the fifteen century.

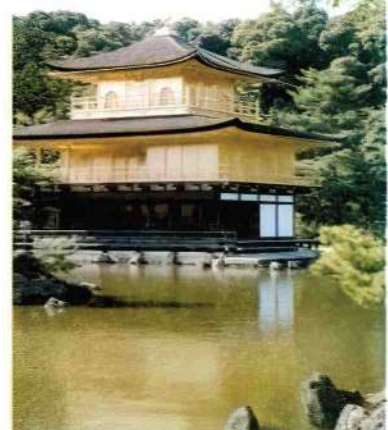
When tea was first brought to Japan it was used as medicine. Then it came to be drunk for the enjoyment of its flavor.

Tea houses are built in a special way. Doors are a bit low so that everyone bows when entering as a sign of equality of people. Each room is very simply designed. No decoration is there. In one corner of each room there is a scroll and a flower in a vase. Although any tea school is surrounded by a well-attended garden no flowers are grown there. The reason is not

to distract the visitor's attention from the single charming flower placed in each room.

Owing to the lack of decoration, participants become more aware of details and are awakened to the simple beauty around them and to themselves. The low entrance is designed to remain them that all are equal. The guests, before

entering the tea house, pass along a garden path and which is usually made wet as a means to express heartfelt welcoming. They pass along a garden path and rinse their hands and wash out their mouths at a low stone water-basin, thereby symbolically purifying them-



The Golden Pavilion in Kyoto, an exquisite example of classical Japanese architecture



A student smiling at the camera. The same smile is drawn on the faces of Japanese you meet

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A tea master demonstrating the way of Chado

selves of the "dust" of the everyday world outside the tearoom. The room is always bare, maybe to help keep it clean and tidy.

Religions mainly the Shinto, seem to have greatly influenced the Way of Tea philosophy, specially in the way nature is treated. The emphasis on purity and cleanliness also probably derives from a religious belief that true and natural beauty is not revealed if covered with impurity.

The underlying philosophy of the Way of Tea is a rich and unique synthesis of Oriental cultural and religious traditions. Its four principles are summarized as Harmony, Respect, Purity, and Tranquility. Constantly practicing these principles is believed to increase one's spiritual awareness and help one find inner peace.

Today, chado continues to be a vital part of Japanese society and culture. Its presence can be discerned in the Japanese language, contemporary architecture, and the continuing traditions of the fine and applied arts, as well as much of the etiquette that surrounds social interaction. Many tea masters believe that the Way of Tea can be a foundation of the way of life; that the peacefulness of a bowl of tea can be shared with anyone, and through this sharing all people can one day live in a world of peace.

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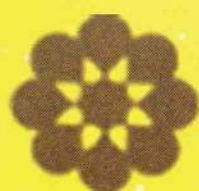
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Al-Hadi Mosque: Distinguished Islamic Architecture

The al-Hadi mosque is a unique architectural attraction in Sa'ada City to the north of Yemen. The city was founded by Yahya bin al-Hussain bin al-Kasem who is also the founder of the Ziyadid Dynasty in Yemen. The mosque was established late at the end of the third century of Hejira, when al-Imam al-Hadi saw, according to some historians, at one night a light twinkling at that place, in the center of Sa'ada. Al-Hadi lived in the old city of Sa'ada located below Telmass mountain.

However, he passed away before finalizing the mosque. The size of the mosque at the time was stretching from al-Hadi's doom in the south and to Ahmed bin Kasem's doom in the east. The mosque extracted different styles from all the Islamic architecture for its walls which have never undergone renovation that deforms its traditional peculiarities. Near to the mosque, door-to-door rooms were built, called *marsh-had*, in which the Imam Hadi bin al-Kasem was laid to rest. The other *marsh-hads* contain the bodies of other Ziyadid clerics like Mahdi Ali bin Mohammed and Ali bin Ahmed al-

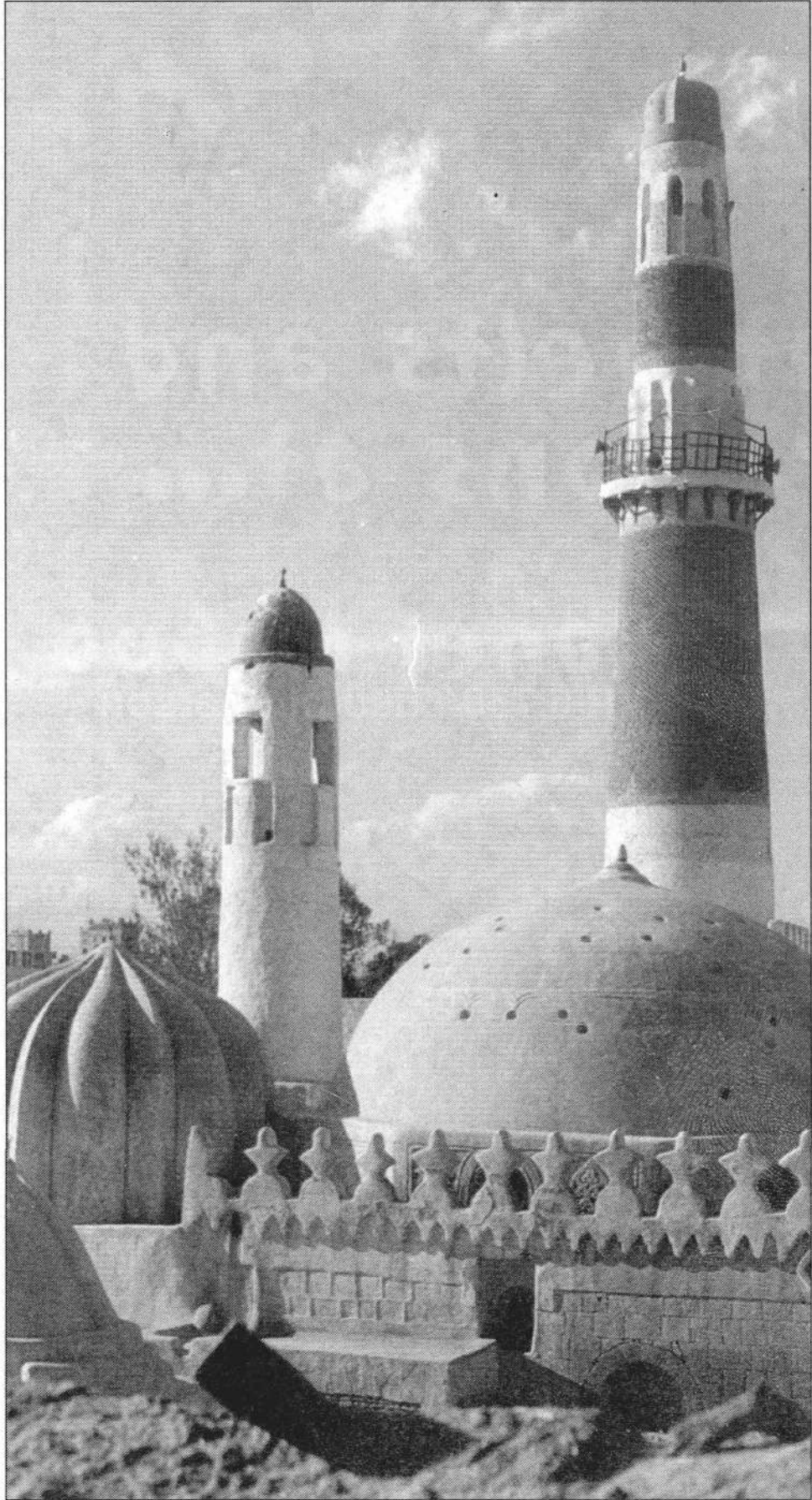
Kasem. Some parts of the mosque were renovated by Imam al-Mahdi who expanded the mosque when he settled in Sa'ada between 751 to 753. The mosque contains beautiful decorations and engravings. Corners of the mosque were often used for settling people's disputes and as courts during the reign of Kasimid dynasty. Imam al-Mahdi is considered to be one of the most important Ziyadid Imams in Yemen. He started preaching his religious *madhab* (doctrine) in the city of Thula. After that he conquered Sana'a and captured Sa'ada and Dhamar.

As for the ancient water basins, they were established by Judge Abdullah Hassan al-Durari according to instructions by al-Mahdi Ali bin Mohammed. New water closets were built in these places. A library was set up in the second floor. A big water tank for drinking still exist up to our very day. Similarly, a well was dug up in the eastern side of the mosque to provide it and the nearby areas with water. However, it frequently breaks down because the government pays no attention to it.

The Imam al-Hadi mosque is an Islamic university based on clear strong bases of clear thought and jurisprudence. Many scholars and intellectuals have graduated from this university. Graduates of the mosque have good knowledge of the Holy Quran, its sciences, *Hadiths* (Prophet Mohammed's traditions) and faith and its fundamentals, jurisprudence and Arabic language and its arts, etc.

The university was established in 1354 Hejira according to instructions by Imam Ahmed Hamid al-Din and Judge Ahmed Abdulwasa'a al Wase'ee was appointed as director.

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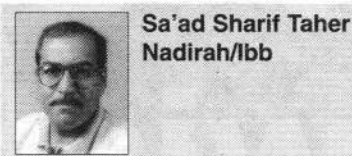
Ahmad Ubad al-Huseini: The Poet & The Fedayee

Since the 1940s, a cluster of poets and singers has enriched the Yemeni songs driving them to the stage of popularity. Ahmad Ubad al-Huseini was one of those who contributed a lot to the development and enrichment of Yemeni songs, particularly in the southern governorates of the country. Al-Huseini was born in 1944 in al-Hawttah village of Lahj. He was educated by his father, a learned sheikh, before he joined the school in al-Hawttah. Since he was a child, it was noticed that al-Huseini did not mix a lot with children at his age to play or to spend his free time. His tendency to sit with people older than him and his love for reading and poetry made people describe his mind as bigger than his

age. As he grew up, he amazed people more by his ability to compose high quality poems. He studied standard Arabic and history and became a reference in these fields for his colleagues. It can be said that the rich library of his father, was the source that he got the first streams of knowledge from. It was said that his father was keen on making his son following his father's footsteps. He ensured that his son got knowledge from many sources before he gave him the freedom to choose what suited him for his future career. Al-Huseini joined the preparatory school which was the highest level of school study at the time. After that he worked as a teacher, a job that was highly respected. The first singers to sing al-Huseini poems were Salah Nasser Kurd and Faisal Alawi. The three formed a team working in sweet harmony. Then many

others, especially in Lahj, started to sing his songs. When the organized resistance against the British colonization started to emerge, al-Huseini stopped writing and advocated his time to fighting the occupiers. Like many other intellectuals, he fought with a gun and a pen. Besides being a founder of the National Front in Lahj, he published the Laborer's Voice newspaper which he was running by his own. Al-Huseini also wrote a number of dramas. One of his well-known works for the stage was 'Fedayee No. 13' which depicted the Yemenis struggle to get rid of the British colonization. After the South of Yemen got its independence in 1967, al-Huseini held a number of government posts until he passed away on April 23, 1969.

Tales of Ali bin Zaid's Proverbs



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No one can ignore the name of Ali bin Zaid, the most famous wise man in Yemen, the epic hero of philosophy and proverbs whose wisdom and proverbs dance over tongues of millions of Yemenis all over Yemen through the last generations. But most of them ignore the tales behind his proverbs. Let's throw light on five tales that exploded his talent.

The tale of poverty and his wives:

In a year of famine in which the whole region suffered from poverty, Ali bin Zaid wanted to examine his three wives' patience. He pretended to leave the house. But he took cover in a hiding place under the stairs so that he could hear their speech during his supposed absence. They interpreted his delay with disgraceful reasons. Hababah, the first one said: "He went to steal sheep or flour and that would take time till people sleep." Fendeh, the second one, added "A theft took place in the village by an unknown man led to death. People gathered to swear to prove their innocence. Sara'h the third one declared that she saw him in the morning talking to a woman near a well and that he must have promised to meet her at night. Having listened to his three wives, he slipped away pretending to have come from outside. He entered without food or sheep. On the day after he went to the farm and later, one of his wives brought him food. As she came nearer she heard him reciting a couplet.

يقول علي ولد زايد
من عادة الفقر الاخلاف
امسيت من فقر ليلة
زاني وسارق وحلاف

Which means: Ali bin Zaid says, poverty brings family problems and because of it I was considered adulterer, thief and swearer.

Tales of two swallows:

Mua'jaba and Jubran were swallows.

Mua'jaba was always lazy that she picked some seeds during harvesting. A few days later she found nothing to eat, so she went to Jubran and begged for some but he refused asking her, "Where have you been when their was much seeds in threshing-floor. Go and learn how to save seeds for hard days?" Here Ali bin Zaid blames laziness showing its bad results. He composed his wisdom in a form of couplet dialogue between them:

قالت (عجبية) ربي يا (جبران)
قال كانش حضرتي حل زيت الازهان
قالت: زوجي مطحل والعيال رمدان
قال اصبري حتى يجيش علان

Though this is a story of birds it metaphorically refers to a woman whose husband was sick with spleen and children with ophthalmia. Such disease were common in summer; the season of flies that cause ophthalmia and drinking unclean water causes swelling. This couplet is still sung while ploughing and sowing.

The tales of the sad tone of Muihad:

Once Ali bin Zaid sold his ox to two calves so that they later be oxen. But the calves died, and he borrowed money to buy an ox. On his way he was attacked by a gang which robbed him of his money. When he came back home he found that his wife had left the house angrily because of a silly quarrel with the other wife. Being depressed, he climbed a mountain and recited this couplet with his beautiful sad voice:

يقول ابو (سعد) ياغبته ثلاثة غيون
الغبين الاول لمن جارت عليه الديون
وغين ثاني لمن قتل رجاله يهون
وغين ثالث لمن فارق كحيل العيون

Which means: what a pity! Abu Sa'ad is suffering from debts, weakness because of no supporters and a deserting wife.

After hearing that Muihad, villagers gathered and sent two oxen to his house. Next they sent three wise men to his wife's father to get her back to his house without his (Ali's) notice. Later, his wife went to the mountain to collect firewood and told him she was not saying the truth. She told him she visited her father after he had told her that Ali's calves became oxen and the

dead ones were his neighbors' and that her brother had found the calves without knowing the owner; therefore he had kept them for eight months. Her mother recognized them as Ali's by signs on their foreheads. Finally he got back every thing because of his beautiful voice and wisdom.

The tale of the buried treasure:

One night Ali was sleeping when an imaginary voice called him, "Your fortune is under a rock in Rickbet Hadher (a place). Guessing that he was leaving, his wife exclaimed "Where are you going in such time?" "To a fortune," he answered, "Give me my cane, wolves are on my way."

When he got to the exact place he dug a little and found a heap of burnt charcoal. When he told his wives his mother shouted "You've divulged your secret so your find turned black." He came out with a fact that one should keep his secrets otherwise he would be disappointed then said the following proverb:

يقول علي بن زايد
من قال: حلم العشيبة
يصبر على بخته النشوم
والسود يصبح لقيفة

which means: he who divulges his night dream should bear his misfortune and his find will be black.

The tales of his daughter, Bedra

Bedra fell in love with a young man and eloped with him from Menketh village. The news spread and that brought shame to the father. Ali asked women of Menketh to stop gossiping promising them to cut off her head as he knew her hideout saying:

بالله يابيض (منكث)
كثر الكلام بطليبه
حلفت ياراس (بدره)
لايد ماتصبرينه
قالوا تغدت برميتم
وعلست في (عدينه)

which means: "O white women of Menketh, stop gossiping, I swear you will see Bedra's head cut off. I heard people saying she lunched in Meitem and spent the night in Oudeina (another name of Taiz)."

Charitable Societies' Arduous Task

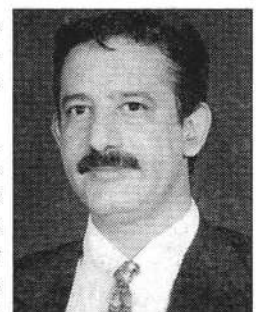
Associations and civil society organizations substantially increased in the last decade. The different missions carried out by these organizations and societies concrete solidarity amongst members of the society and strengthen the democratic process, as well. Although so many people have taken advantage of such associations for achieving personal or partisan gains, a few associations could efficiently serve the society far away from being an instrument in the hand of some opportunists in the society.

Al-Falah Charitable Society in Dar Sa'd in Aden is one of the few societies which has helped the local community in Aden through alleviating poverty and providing food and medical assistance to the residents of the district. Fighting poverty as the main problem in this district has topped the priorities of action of the society, particularly since this problem is the source of other afflictions like very high illiteracy, as well as unemployment rates. Dar Sa'd district is a remote area that houses different segments of the society owing to its geographical location in the City of Aden. Chairman of the society, Sheikh Mukhtar Saleh al-Wosabi, said, "Our society has constructed a number of classrooms with the view of providing students with extracurricular courses both in the mornings and at nights. Special classes for teaching the Holy Quran have been also given particular attention within these courses. A great deal of school-bags were also distributed for the needy students." He added that some of the major activities of the society had been sponsoring 150 orphans and providing poor families

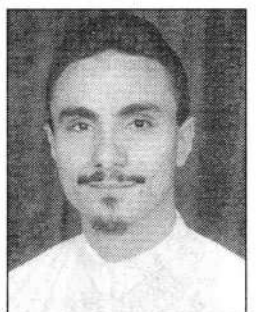
with Eid's necessities. The society also set up 6 classrooms for teaching illiterate people in the community.

Dr. Abdulbari Dughaihs, Secretary-General of the Society pointed out that the society would set up classes on sewing principally for unemployed women. He added that the society aimed at providing the local community there with educational and healthcare services through covering the charges of some medical surgeries and free medicaments especially for patient with dangerous diseases like cancers, heart diseases and diabetes. "A clinic which will provide around the clock and free of charge treatment for all patients of the community will be opened soon, as well," Dr. Abdulbari Dughaihs announced. The society has reached an agreement with the Electricity Corporation to provide the eastern part of Dar Sa'ad district with electricity supply, particularly as this area is till this very day

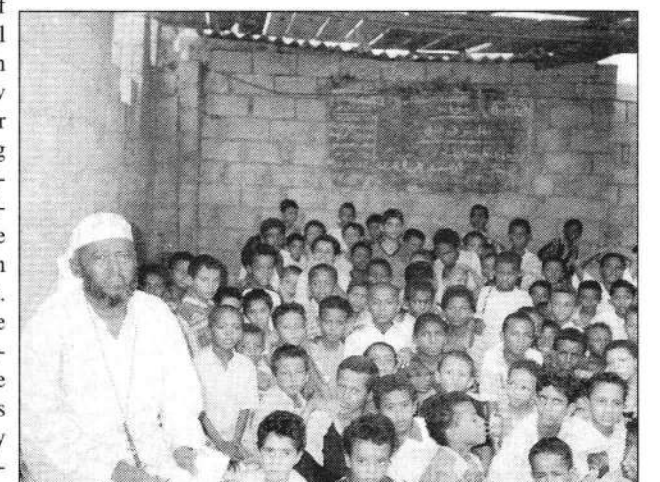
deprived of this essential service. In addition, new classrooms for eradicating female illiteracy are scheduled to be inaugurated in the near future. As far as the society is concerned, the headquarters of the society will be final-



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I. What to Say

Safety
Hameed: Adel. Where is the maktaba? I want to buy a few articles and have a book photocopied.
Adel: There's a stationery shop in the corner on the other side of the road. Hold on. Let there be a traffic signal for crossing the road. You know it's the peak hour and there's a beeline of vehicles.
Hameed: I have no patience. Let's cross over. The drivers are supposed to be careful as well about pedestrians and about those who want to cross the road.
Adel: Please don't think like that. When the traffic light shows green, they are perfectly justified to speed up and cross the traffic point before it shows red. Moreover, there's a slot every now and then to allow the pedestrian to cross. You should have patience.
Hameed: It's for old people who can't walk fast and cross. People like us shouldn't be so timid. Come on. Let's go across here. (A car comes to a grinding halt)
Adel: Look out! You nearly got hit by that car. Now do you see why you should wait for the traffic signal and cross at the corner?
Hameed: My God! I can't imagine what would have happened if I was a bit unmindful or the driver careless. Perhaps you'd have to write another 'In Memoriam' for me.
Adel: Now at least be serious. To be carefree in any other sphere may be welcome. But on a busy road you may have to pay a heavy price for your carelessness. It may cost you your precious life. It's an irony that on the road you are penalized not only for your fault, for others' fault as well.
Hameed: I guess you're right.
Adel: Learn a lesson. From now onwards while walking or driving on the road you can't afford to be inattentive. Mind your safety on the road. Safety first, everything else next.
Hameed: Very true, indeed. Yet most of us tend to ignore safety instructions not only on the road, but in a number of other spheres as well.
Adel: I hope you'd heed the importance of safety more than any one else.
Hameed: I swear I'll be more careful after this. Now the traffic signal for crossing the road is on. Let's hurry up.

II. How to Say it Correctly

Correct errors, if any, in the following sentences.
1. A number of workers abstained from duty in protest.
2. The motorist committed the accident, not the taxi driver.
3. I always find your workers to be very affable.
4. During Ramadhan, Sana'a is agog with religious activities.
5. The university should bestow attention on the provision of a good library.

Answers to last week's questions:

1. My **elder** brother is studying medicine.
Elder is used for members of family, especially closely related members.

Older refers to any other person of greater age.
2. I **like / enjoy / love** meeting new people
Adore usually expresses a very strong feeling. If you use 'adore' to mean 'like / enjoy / love' you may sound insincere
3. Although the book has its **merits/ good points**, it also has a serious problem.
Advantage: something that puts you in a better position than other people.
Merit: a good quality, a strength.
4. I have just seen your advertisement **for** a secretary.
5. She gave me **some / a piece of** good advice.
Advice is an uncountable noun.

III. How to express it in one word

1. Find someone with perplexity or confusion.
2. Method of arrangement of something.
3. Something meant to be kept a secret.
4. Things which are in agreement with one's taste or temperament.
5. Made up of a number of things or parts stuck together.

Answers to last week's questions

1. A person who is guided by his sense of duty: **Conscientious** (n)
2. To set apart something as sacred for a special purpose: **consecrate** (v.t)
3. Coming one after another in regular order: **Consecutive** (adj)
4. Common agreement or opinion about something: **consensus** (n)
5. Something that follows or is brought about as a result of an action: **Consequence** (n)

IV. Rewrite according to instruction given in brackets

a) **Socrates was a ---**.
(Fill in the blank with a single word which means friend of wisdom)
b) **He illegally gave money and gifts to the jailor to let him escape.**
(Replace the words in italics with a single word)
c) **I have a clear --- of my childhood days.**
(Fill in the blank with word related to *recollect*)
d) **The secret was made known.**
(Replace the words in italics with a single word)
e) **The little boy was ordered to do the --- work of washing the cooking pots.**
(Fill in the blank with a word opposite in meaning to *pleasant*)

Answers to last week's questions.

a) **Bassam:** What is the tallest animal?
Rashid: The giraffe is the tallest animal.
Bassam: Do they live in India?
Rashid: No, they don't (live in India).
Bassam: have you seen a giraffe?
Rashid: Yes, I have. (or Yes, I have seen a giraffe.)
b) Bassam asked Rashid if (whether) he had seen a giraffe

V. Words of Wisdom

"A good face is the best letter of recommendation."
— Queen Elizabeth I (UK)

LEARNING STYLES AND STRATEGIES (3)

How Long Should you Study?



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There are usually two types of students: one, the diligent or perseverant type. Second, those who are characterized by a more or less casual attitude to studies. The first category of students are very serious about their academic achievement and work very hard to attain their goals, while for the second category of students studies takes the backseat. They tend to give priority to other things like socializing or TV viewings. It may seem that those who spend long hours at the study table are naturally and inevitably high achievers and the ones who devote less time to their lessons are necessarily low achievers. This, indeed, is a misconception or a myth. As it is said "Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage", spending a lot of time is not a guarantee to produce the desired results and vice versa. The question is how intelligently or in how systematic and planned a manner one is going about it. One hour's concentrated study is likely to be more productive and effective than hours of inattentive, unsystematic effort. How long should one study is therefore a question the answer to which varies from one individual student to another. It depends on one's attitude, motivation and level of commitment. Remember that you don't have to study for hours at a time to be effective. The magic potion is consistency or regularity. 'Slow and steady wins the race'. Fix up a regular study hour and stick to it. You should decide your schedule for other activities in relation to your study hour and try and not violate this time slot frequently. Focussed or intensive study is necessary to get to grips with your lessons. But if you sit down to make intensive study for long duration, it is likely to affect efficiency. On the other hand regular breaks between intensive study sessions would help you to relax yourself

and stay on the task in a focussed manner. So don't forget to take breaks from intensive study sessions. In general, you should try to schedule study times of one to two hours. When you notice that you are beginning to feel bored, distracted, or tired, don't hesitate to take a break. Allow yourself 10-15 minutes to stretch, walk around, take a deep breath, talk to your friends or family members, or watch TV.

Those of you who find it difficult to concentrate on studies, don't feel disappointed. Try slowly to put your mind to the lessons for a short time and gradually increase the time.

For example, in the beginning set a time limit of 30 minutes study for that length of time, take a 10-minute break, and then go back to your studies. You'll be surprised how refreshed you feel after just a quick break to increase your concentration.

Each student is a unique individual with a set of skills and strategies different from others. Obviously, each student is different in terms of how long he or she can follow information in a text and internalize that information. As such, you are the best judge to decide for yourself the best time suitable and the amount of time that is appropriate for you to devote to study.

Any lesson is a part of your continuing effort to gather useful information. So there is an essential link between lessons. Therefore, it is useful at the end of each study time to take a few minutes to plan your next session. If you do this, you will know when you begin to study, where you ended and what you have to do next. Suppose you studied today and for the next two days couldn't manage time to study. In such situations, making a list of things to do in your next study session would remind you of your previous lesson and help you to be in control of the next stage of the lesson. In this way you can save a lot of time.

Learn to make use of a daily planner or appointment book available in most bookstores to make a list of things to be done everyday including the lessons to prepare. That would be a valuable help to plan your time in the best possible way.

Happy Studying!

His April Touch



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Grateful grass through the window
Greeted him when he stirred
With the early breeze to earn
Energy for the unlike leaves of
the tree
He was a bough growing, getting
used to
The Shake of winter's hand,
Constantly shaken yet seeking to
go into
A green world of wonder and glow,
Leaving lucky gathered in groups
By the bare tree tell the twilight
their tales of tinted fall,
And their journey from the
downtown to
the country of red, blue, purple,
orange and
Green spring following him
forever
Never gave up his search.
One evening an arctic of ice spread
In his garden giving an icy glare to
all around
But his April touch! Oh! His April
touch made
The ice melt and pour balmy red
Into the veins of ready roots.
Winter loved his April touch; he
wishes
To be touched, he is waiting
to be touched, to wake up, to get
going,
To grow, to shoot in the sun, to
walk in the rain,
To come home in the evening
With the summer breeze
To play with the moon up in the
blue
In the company of stars falling
In the autumn,
Wait
For
His April touch.

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Questions

1. **When bread is baked its spongy nature is due to**
a) yeast b) yeast and bacteria
c) bacteria d) heat
2. **The branch of biology that deals with the study of internal organization of plants is called**
a) Cytology b) Anatomy c) Ecology d) Physiology
3. **Cricket bats are made out of this tree:**
a) teak b) rosewood c) sal d) willow
4. **The major characteristic feature that distinguishes animals from plants is their**
a) mode of respiration b) mode of locomotion
c) mode of nutrition d) mode of reproduction
5. **Of the following animals, which one is known as 'babylifter'?**
a) panther b) jackal c) hyena d) lynx

Answers to Time Quiz (11)

1. When the blood supply of a part of the brain is suddenly cut off, the individual suffers from **stroke**
2. The sense of taste arises from certain microscopic structures called **buds**
3. All living organisms of the earth constitute **biome**
4. The substance that is used to make ice cream is called **Algin**
5. The structural similarity between the arm of a man and wing of bird is an example of **homology**.

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An Impulse of Faith

Life, is a lovely rose
The soul of nature
That's born with love
Life is worth living with love
And radiating love
To all that live around
And realizing the throbbing
Heart of the cosmos,
Like us, the warm blood
That runs through
My arteries and veins,
The blood that carries
Both the corpuscles
Together with each other
When there is no hatred
To be tolerated
Nor an excess of love
To be shown
And they are all
Functioning well.
That's life, and
That's my lovely
Ideal 'rose'
But to sip it
As luck would have it,
Is awkward,
Indeed

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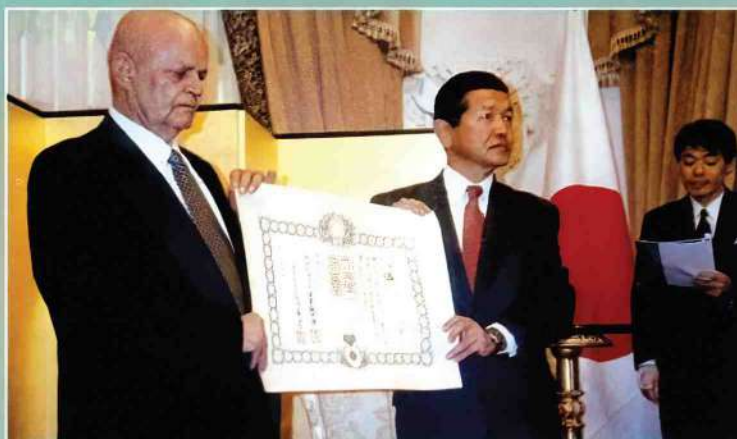
Adhban Awarded Japanese Emperor's Medal of Honour



In an honorary celebration on Sunday, December 23, 2001 at his residence, Mr. Mitsamitsu Oky, Japan's Ambassador to Sana'a awarded the Japanese Emperor's Medal of Honour to Haj Mohammed Mubarak Adhban, Founder of Adhban Establishments and Companies, in recognition of his valuable efforts to enhance the bilateral relations between Yemen and Japan through decades. Expressing his appreciation of the Japanese government, Adhban said the award was an honour to people working to strengthen the relations between the two countries. He spoke highly of the official efforts aimed at improved and exemplary ties between the two countries at all levels, as well as that of the media which has been introducing the two nations to each other. "These efforts," he said "were crowned by President Ali Abdullah Saleh's visit to Japan in



Haj Adhban receiving the Medal of Honor



Haj Adhban receiving the citation from H. E. Mr. Ouki on behalf of the Japanese Emperor



The Ambassador of Japan, Mr. Ouki receiving H. E. Dr. Al-Qirby, Foreign Minister at his residence

1999, a visit that opened new horizons for more spheres of cooperation between the two countries."

Following the presentation of the Medal, Mr. Oky congratulated Haj Adhban praising his contributions to better understanding, friendship and cooperation between Yemen and Japan.

Haj Adhban is also the Chairman of the Yemeni-Japanese Friendship Society. Besides his trade activities and representing a good number of Japanese companies, he has been active in the cultural domain through organizing classes to teach Japanese and pub-

lishing magazines and periodicals focusing on the colorful advancements of Japan.

The celebration was attended by the ministers of Foreign Affairs and Culture, Chairman of the International Relations at the Parliament Mr. Nabil Basha and a host of high ranking officials and dignitaries.

Mohammed Al-Masani
Yemen Times



Haj Adhban delivering a gratitude speech to the Emperor of Japan, Mr. Ouki and senior staff of the Japanese Embassy



Mr. Ouki delivers a speech on the occasion of honoring Mr. Adhban



Mr. Nadeesh, the Commercial Manager of the Group with H.E. Mr. Al-Rawhani, Minister of Culture



Haj Abdurabbuh, the General Manager of the Group shaking hands with Japanese Charge d'Affair



A memorial photograph for the hi-ranking guests who attended the ceremony



Hajj Adhban with Mr. Ouki exchanging friendly chat

Adhban Trading Company - An Overview

The Adhban Trading Corporation was established by Hajj Mohammed Mubarak Adhban who has admirably been able to make the grade in business. Today, the Group is one of the biggest private trading institutions in the country. Mohammed al-Dasouqi, Marketing Manger said the Corporation was an active contributor to the general development of the Yemeni society. "It is an agent of a good number of international products and has many offices inside and outside Yemen," he said. The Corporation deals with mineral water industry, insecticides industry, perfume, insurance activities, shipping, traveling, transportation, irrigation requirements,



Abdullah Nadeesh
The Commercial Manager of the Adhban Group

contraction, medical instruments, construction, oil services, etc. It also includes a number of international heavy and light products such as cars, water pumps, tractors, etc. Below are brief accounts of some of the Adhban companies:

Yemen Insurance Company (YIC):
(YIC) was established in 1990 with the capital of YR 100,000,000. It employs professional staff and has international links with foreign insurance companies.
al-Halal Shipping Company

This company was established in 1976 in Hodeidah. It has offices in all parts and governorates of the republic.

Saba Industrial and Agricultural Company
It was established in 1989 in Sana'a. It deals with importation of agricultural products and machinery.

The Medical Department
This department was inaugurated in 1994 in Sana'a. It supplies all kinds of medial needs to hospitals and pharmacies.



Mohammed H. Dasoqi All
The Head of Marketing Development Administration and Commercial Ads.

Adhban Establishments are sole agents for many international companies. Some of which are as follows:

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- Tadano Ltd, Japan
- Fiat Auto SPA, Italy
- Morita Fire Pump MFG Co., Japan
- Tata Exports Limited, India
- Komatsu Forklift Co. Ltd., Japan
- Astra Vehicules Industries SPA, Italy
- ABC Hansen A. S.
- Komatsu Ltd.
- Mitsubishi Motors Corporation
- Recie National Des Usines Renault, France
- Renault Vehicules Industrial, France
- Fuji Heavy Industrial Ltd., Japan

Food Stuff and Home requirements

- Amalgamated Co. Operative Marketers Australia Ltd., Australia
- France Lait, France
- Johnson Wax, USA

Medical Requirements

- Muller Medizin Technik, Germany
- Siema Medizin Technik Siegfried Martin GMSH, Germany
- Technische Gleswerke Limenau GMBH, Germany
- Cufic Ltd., Japan
- Gend Pharmaceutical Ltd., India
- Dr. Reddys Group of Companies, India
- ASEC SIL, Italy

Airlines

- Philippines Air Ways
- Tunisia Air Ways
- Singapore Air Ways
- Yemenia Air Ways
- Saudia Air Ways

Lubricants, tires, and batteries

- Fireston Tire and Rudder Company, USA
- Elf Aquitaine, France
- Interscope BV, Holland
- Qubrex, KSA
- OHTSU, Japan
- Reem & Antara, Oman

Electronic and Home Appliances

- Pioneer Electronic, Japan
- NEC Corporation, Japan
- Telefunken Consumer Electronics, Germany
- Tomson International GMBH, Germany
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- Norfostr Ltd, UK
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- Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd, Japan
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Press Scanner

Prepared by Mohammed Khidhr



As-Sahwa weekly
27 Dec. 2001

The newspaper's editorial for this week says any observer can realize that the Yemeni people and all their forces are united in rejecting violence and at the same time keen on social peace and security. They consider that as among the national constants that preserve for the individual and the society their stability and help them confront the challenges with a constructive responsibility.

Out of this concept we realize that the genuine approach for a Yemen free from violence and without terror is that pertaining to keenness on domination of the law and the constitution, the two elements that have regulated the rights and obligations among officials at various levels and positions. This situation alone guarantees the spread of security and stability and by which we can confront anyone breaking the law. It also prevents confiscation of any right of any citizen even if he is an object of accusation.

The editorial goes on to mention that since the events of 11 September that shocked the whole world the Yemenis, both leadership and people, have demonstrated a level of interaction showing the Yemen as a country rejecting violence of whatever source, and confirming others rights as stipulated in international laws and conventions.

The editorial has further said we yearn for a homeland void of injustice, corruption and suppression, resorting to law as real approaches to development and construction. All that would not be attained unless all would understand their responsibilities for protecting the constitution and the law as ways leading to security and development and spread of the spirit of confidence through commitment to transparency and dialogue, the newspaper's editorial concluded.

At-Thawra daily,
29 Dec. 2001

The newspaper has devoted its editorial to discuss Muscat GCC summit saying the meeting of GCC leaders beginning in Muscat on Sunday 30 Dec. acquires its importance as it is the first meeting of these leaders following the international and regional variables dictated by results of 11 September. Proceeding from this fact observers expect that Muscat summit would be distinguished by vitality of the issues to be discussed in the light of the international developments and their sensitivity and significance.

Stemming from the distinguished relationship between Yemen and these countries, bilaterally and collectively, and the ties of kinship and neighborhood the Yemenis express towards them great feelings regarding any success realized within this grouping. Yemen is quite confident of the possibility that GCC Muscat summit would come out with fruitful outcomes on the road of activating factors of integration paving the way for a broader Arab market realizing the Arab dream they have been looking forward to see for more than 35 years.

Al-Ra'ie Al-A' am
weekly, 25 Dec. 2001

The newspaper's editorial says it goes without saying that the establishment of the institutional state has become a national necessity and an urgent popular demand. To attain this goal is the responsibility of all, whether in power or the opposition parties, political organizations, mass organizations, trade unions, tribe chieftains and personalities.

Imposing the state prestige is a joint collective responsibility. When the authority chases people wanted for justice in a certain area, inhabitants of that area must offer cooperation with the state to arrest those wanted persons so that to bring them to justice according to the law. To harbor those wanted people and hide them by a tribe sheikh or any group of people a great calamity

contradicting the law and norm.

The editorial continues to confirm in this respect that there must be a support for imposing the state prestige in order that the law is applied to all and against the act of scoring and settling personal accounts. Such a stand is rejected altogether.

We further affirm, the editorial maintains, that stabilization of the state of law and order would not be achieved but by joint forces of the state and its apparatuses on the one hand and the people as a whole on the other hand, the responsibility is for all.



RAY weekly, organ of
Sons of Yemen
League party,
25 Dec. 2001

In its editorial for this week the RAY newspaper says what is happening in the county nowadays and the state it is experiencing is rather a heartbreaking situation, destroying the buds of hope in future. People are killed, shrapnels scatter and blood paints our days.

There is no difference in detecting who are the killers and whom are the victims, for both are sons of this country. We do not have enough time to lose in a byzantine discussion on complications of each event individually because in doing so there might be other victims to fall and more complicated problems to come out.

Vision has now become clearer. The situation is no longer standing prevarication and obstinacy and mere military or security treatment. It is no longer possible to study each event in a manner separated from the general context of the bulk of disasters especially depicting the situation in areas of Khawlan Dhalie, Abyan and Mareb. Tension has become the characteristic of these areas, and loss of confidence among the various groups has become the overwhelming adjective.

What is inevitable is to have a sincere patriotic and scientific stand reading accurately the situation and dealing with sons of these areas in a language distant from incrimination and accusation. It must be a review rectifying the treatments that corrupted state of affairs. There must be a stand where the law is the sole sovereign and the refuge. After that let the state deal is blows with an iron fist to whoever breaks the law.

Al-Ihya'a al-Arabi
weekly,
25 Dec. 2001

In its editorial the weekly likens madness of the U.S. White House to the British Mad Cow disease if not being a copy of it. The editorial maintains that the American administration is no longer able to comprehend the changeables around it because it has become hostage of the Zionist whim that is thirsty for peoples' blood and imposition of its hegemony through its facade "the White House and Bush administration."

There are many of those working for news media satellite of the American-Zionist information who have raised too many questions on what is going to happen after the mass massacres and destruction carried out during the American aggression on Afghanistan, the editorial added.

Those people have elaborated in their queries and analyzes with regard to the American-Zionist program aimed at taming peoples of the world and domesticating the Arab and Islamic regimes in order to pass the American-Zionist scheme in Palestine and Iraq and to contain the Arab mentality and clamp a siege on masses of the Arab nation via the domesticated regimes, mercenary writers and other agents that have given up themselves and surrendered to Bush and war criminal Sharon. The weekly editorial further says that time has come when the Arab masses should ask what is next after the disclosure of the conspiracy aimed at uprooting the Palestinian people and expansion of the aggression to extend to Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Sudan and Somalia. The Arab masses are directing their queries to the Arab regimes and the Arab League at this crucial circum-

stance and await their response, the editorial concluded.



Ath-Thawri weekly,
organ of the YSP,
27 Dec. 2001

Ali Naji Saeed has said in an article that there is much talk and fuss published by official media on accomplishments under the government of the People's General Congress party. These media also mention about the prosperity the people are enjoying in various fields and levels. When the Yemeni citizen listens to the information and political address thinks those are talking about gains realized in another homeland because reality shows something quite different than what is said in the media. The Yemeni citizen suffers more misery and more poverty. High cost of living and corruption are factors gnawing at his body.

The Yemeni citizen has not now experienced the dignified life. He has not entertained security and stability and has neither exercised democracy in its proper way nor enjoyed an equal citizenship under the regime of the ruling party. He has not been able to preserve the gains achieved during the totalitarian period either. Among the gains we have lost at present is the discarding of human conscience which seems to be in a long vacation.

The author concludes that we should understand that when the government speaks about prosperity and accomplishments they mean to talk about themselves and their conditions.



26 September weekly,
organ of Yemen
Armed Forces,
27 Dec. 2001

The editorial of the newspaper has this week been devoted to discuss the theme of security as supportive and completing stability without which there would be no development. The editorial says in every country there are enemies of security endeavoring to sabotage stability and general peace and of course having their own special reasons.

Yemen is one of those countries threatened by such elements. Such elements see that they are out of the reach of law and resorting to crime or violence or terror is to their thinking as the short-cut way to achieve benefits or fame.

For many years Yemen has been facing multi-forms of crimes. Such crimes have taken forms of kidnapping foreigners, or blasting oil pipelines or what happened in Aden in 1993 in the attempt to blast two hotels there or what happened to British tourists in Abyan governorate at the hands of some extremists affiliate to what then was called the Aden-Abyan army. Added to those was the attack on the USS Cole destroyer at Aden port in October 2000 and many other acts against security and stability. All those acts have damaged the national economy and offended Yemen's reputation, interests and relation with others.

The continuous confrontation with perpetrators of such acts was therefore an urgent task the security and military apparatuses have always been undertaking as out of the high sense of national responsibility and in implementation of the duty the armed forces are entrusted with, i.e. consolidation of security and stability in the society in general.

It seems surprising and bewildering when some people inside and from outside deal with the security and military campaign carried out by the government to track down some of the wanted elements accused of committing anti-security acts and against the law. Some of them have gone too far by interpreting what the government has done to protect its security and citizens as an act for appeasing this international party or that, or in response to pressures and such other interpretations.

Those voices should have acknowledged the Yemeni efforts for serving security and peace both regionally and internationally because it is a Yemeni conviction stemming from the feeling of humanity need for stability and peace and repulsion of violence and hatred.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

This is the first time I am writing to you. I congratulate you for your successful newspaper.

I have read your article titled "We Have a Public Relations Problem." It is true that Arabs have a public relations problem but you were not right when you said Arabs had been unable to convey their message to the USA and the West due to lack of skills in public relations. Even if Arabs haven't a public relations problem, they would not be able to convey their message properly to the USA or to the West.

In fact, the USA media conveys only what they want and that agrees with country's interest, simply because Israel is controlling the media of the USA and of course they do what they like. Finally, this is my opinion and everyone has her/his own opinion.

Ann W.
Ann@yahoo.com

Dear Editor,

I am a Canadian citizen who was born in Indiana in 1925. I have been married for over 50 years and left for Canada to keep son out of Vietnam and other such murderous incursions onto other lands and peoples. Life time rebel meaning that I do my own thinking and make my own decisions without regard for what others might say. (Note I do not say what others might "think".) I do not have any religion or other superstitions. Actually, I do not have any virtues. Without such imagined virtues this simply means that I do not possess any justification or excuse for killing you or anybody else. This does not mean that I would hesitate to defend my life and property by whatever means possible and I expect others to do the same. My father told me I could do anything I wanted except harming others or their property. This commandment I remember. And too, he said, "there is no such thing as a fair fight." Here are a few thoughts I want to share with you.

Dear Editor,

I, for one American, has seen the total destruction of Afghanistan as a country and people and is not only committed to my own country, but also to insisting on continuing the aid to Afghanistan, it's people, and it's cul-

ture. I have a strong feeling that the majority of Afghans, regardless of their historical tribal connections, loyalties, or ancestry realizes there is only one way from here.

We have the commitment to a common goal that of peace, reconciliation, stabilization, freedom of religion as a people, and unity and prosperity as a country.

I am extremely proud, as an American to support a commitment of the Afghan people in this effort and I will. Along with Afghanistan peoples' courage to rid itself of the terrorist and oppressive nature that consumed the country in the last years, I welcome the realization and courage of others that either side with the terrorists, or side with the rest of the civilized world. Should you decide to 'side' with the rest of the civilized world, well, we shall be with you also.

Martin Creamer
martin.creamer@home.com

Dear Editor,

I would like to wish you all a happy Eid and happy new year. I always read your newspaper and I follow up the news through Yemen Times.

You are of great help to me through your vacancy and job opportunities announcements. I am looking for a job in the field of Geology, Petroleum Geology, hydrology, or in any related field.

Abdullah Taha Ali Farea
afarea@yahoo.com

Dear Abdullah,

Keep on following the newspaper, and I hope that someday you will find the job that suites you, especially that trust in our newspaper's vacancy announcements is remarkable.

—Editor

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Leslie Anne Conville
Chicago, IL - USA
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Dear Editor,

My name is Paul Hoonaihi and I am of mixed race (Yemeni and British). I have lived in Yemen for 12 years. My father is from Toor al-Baha in the South and my mother is from the UK. I am working as the Yemeni Community Development officer, helping Yemeni families understand the British legal system and so on.

I would like to become a member of your newspaper which connects me with a lot of Yemenis.

Paul Hoonaihi
ehfsu@bigfoot.com

Dear Paul,

You are eventually a Yemeni, so it gives us great pleasure if you join us. There is no membership fees. All you need to do is to stay in touch through yementimes.com and receive our emails. We will be more than glad to help you in any way we can.

—Editor

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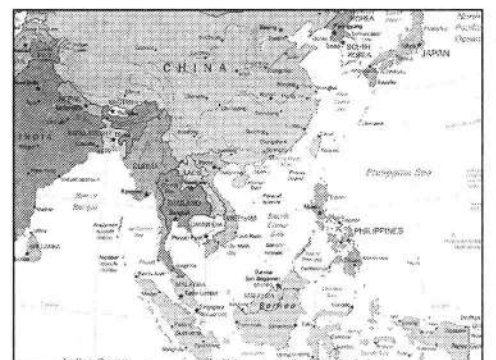
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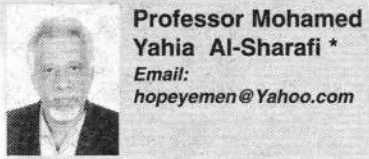
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Functional Structure of the Human Entity



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Introduction

It is a matter of utmost importance to all Muslims in general and the enlightened scholars in Yemen and all the Islamic world in particular to ratify the necessity of basically reviving Islamic thinking and modernizing the Arab Islamic mind and its conceptual abilities. The dominant and prevailing understanding and perceptions need to be drastically revised and renewed. The necessity for Islamic revival was sorted out and called for in the last decades of the last century by many Muslim scholars on top of whom was the revolutionary Arab Islamic thinker and philosopher Ustad Mahmoud Mohammed Taha who formulated a complete new Islamic school of thoughts. He warned that the prevailing traditional Islamic concepts carry the seeds of aggression and violence and can only produce suffering and misery to Muslims and all the world. Unfortunately, he was one of victims of its grapes of wrath as he was assassinated by the traditional reactionary Islamists for his opinions and was brutally hanged in Sudan on January 18, 1986. The necessity increased to its utmost heights after the sad events of 11 September 2001. Its demands are expanding to concern all mankind since it has revealed that the one human family regardless of all differences and variations is on the same shipcraft of the Earth. The Holy Quranic scriptures remain stable and eternal, they are the true words of God. They are unchangeable. But their meanings are infinite. What is fluctuating is the finite understanding of human beings that is changeable according to time and place. I have developed a methodology called Cybernetics as per the three dimensional readings in time and place. The three dimensions meant are the Holy Quranic Scripture, the cosmos (as revealed by the discoveries of science) and the Human psyche. All prophets of God, Abraham, Jesus, Moses,

Mohammed, peace upon them, refer to this methodology in different terminology but in the same meaning. Prophet Mohammed, peace upon him, and the Holy Quran call for that: "And on Earth there are signs [of God's existence and wisdom visible] to all who are endowed with inner certainty (20) just as [There are signs thereof] within your own selves. Can you not then see (21)" verses 20-21 Surrah ADH-DHARIYAT no. 51.

"وفي الأرض آيات للموقنين، وفي أنفسكم أفلا تبصرون" - سورة الداريات الآيات ٢١، ٢٠

Based upon this methodology I have formulated my new personality theory called the Human Optimum Psyche (HOPE) in an attempt to define the normal human state and personality, which I shall reveal and discuss in a series of articles already written in my book "The Human Phenomena" under print. Since the methodology and the HOPE theory represent an endeavor for Islamic revival rather than a specialized academic doctrine, it actually presents a contemporaneous understanding of the Holy Quranic scripture. For that I hope to help the modern Muslims and all humans understand the nature of existence, the cosmos, the human psyche, the religion and their role in life. It presents the reality of the noble constructive peaceful Islamic religion to the whole world. I call on all humans to respect one another and operate under the umbrella of the modern common values that all wise men and women have decided to adopt, on top of that are the vital values of:

- a) Human rights
- b) Freedom
- c) Justice
- d) Democracy
- e) Peaceful coexistence

I believe that Islam message is to implement these peaceful values in the international community. I have presented this cybernetics epistemological methodology and the HOPE theory for panel discussions in the early 1990s making use of the local habitual daily Qat sessions which include all types of opinions and trends, all the rainbow of Yemeni elites: nationalists, Islamists socialists and internationals. I have to acknowledge and gratefully

thank all good friends who have spared some of their precious time to discuss the essentials of the idea. No doubt, they have helped in the maturation of both the cybernetics epistemological methodology and the HOPE doctrine. On top of those are three Yemeni elites and Arab Islamic scholars: Dr. Farag bin Ghanim, the former popular prime minister, Dr. Gasim Salam, member of the al-Shura Council together with the Sana'a Arab Islamic forum he patronages and brother Ustad Abdul-Hameed Al-Hadi, member of the al-Shura Council along with his Wednesday Yemeni Cultural Forum and all the patient participants of these fora.

Definition of HOPE:

HOPE, the human optimum psyche is defined as: "the highest level of integrity of optimum (normal) psychobiochemical functions characterized by serenity and positive feelings of satisfaction, security, harmony and peace, together with the absence of the main four negative psychological feelings: fear (anxiety), sadness (depression), aggression (enmity), and paranoia (irrational, pathological, delusion of doubts.)"

So HOPE is the healthiest psychological and physical state ideal to the human entity. It qualifies the human being and renders him capable of achieving the best and integrated functions, both lower physical vegetative and reproductive functions and the higher known seven psycho social functions (mentioned hereafter).

This state targets at providing a balanced optimum intrapsychic environment guarded by harmony, serenity and self confidence. This is important and necessary to transmit stabilized peace and to initiate constructive expressions towards all the components of the external environment. This, in turn, is expressed as good feelings (of acceptance and love,) and generous behavior addressed towards all human brethren regardless of their religions, races, cultures, etc.

The seven higher human psychological functions:

The human entity has a wide range of properties and functions. It has the properties and functions of all crea-

tures on earth ranging from the atoms and non living elements to the plants and animals both vegetative and reproductive. It has its own characteristics, as well. These are called the higher psychological human functions. These higher functions are seven, which we will abbreviate here hoping to discuss them in detail in the future. They are summarized as follows:

- 1- Perception- both sensory and extrasensory perceptions.
- 2- Apprehension-both mental and emotional apprehensions.
- 3- Thinking- with all its sub-categories such as memory, problem solving thinking and intuitive or creative thinking etc.
- 4- Emotions- including the different mood aspects.
- 5-Volition (will power.)
- 6- Behavior- including all its components such as motives and goal directions.
- 7- Consciousness- this is the summation of all physical and psychological activities, properties and functions. It is divided into three main categorical levels:

- a) Self Consciousness,
- b) Cosmic Consciousness, and
- c) Gods Consciousness.

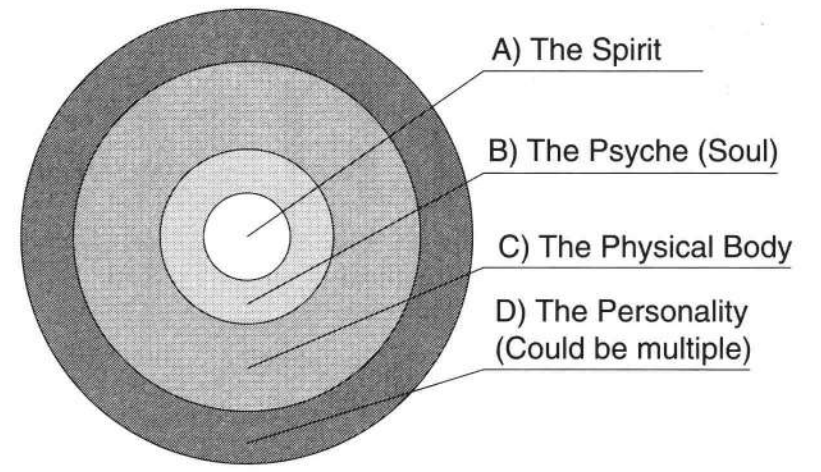
The point of maturity and convergence of these three levels of consciousness is the proper reality of ideal human life or Hayat (life) as described by the Holy Qur'an. This is attained by a tone of continued awareness of God that is achieved through worshipping Him and responding to His call and the Apostle's instructions:

" O' you have attained to faith, respond to the call of Allah, and the Apostle whenever he calls you unto that which will give you life; and know that Allah intervenes between man and his heart and that unto Him you shall be gathered" Verse No. 24 Surrah No 8 ALANFAL.

يا أيها الذين آمنوا استجبوا لله وللرسول إذا دعاكم لما يحييكم واعلموا أن الله يحول بين المرء وقلبه وأنه إليه ترجعون - سورة الأنفال الآية رقم ٢٤

The functional structure of the human entity:

The human entity is composed of quadruple features, possessing a three-



essence dimensional structure: the Spirit, the Psyche, and the Physical body together with the personality, the fourth feature. That component feature is its vast ability of expression, i.e. the personality- the one human entity has the ability of producing (both normally and pathologically) multiple personalities.

So the human entity has a dualistic nature, functionally and structurally. It is composed structurally of the aforementioned three essences. Originally they were two: a clay that constitutes the physical body and the spirit of God. The third component which is the soul or the psyche is formed by the mating of the two original essences, the spirit and the clay. The psyche or the soul is the third essence of formation. It lies as a gasket between the two original essences in configuration that seems to look more or less like an old hand-telescope or a radio antenna. See the diagram

The Holy Qur'an teaches us that God, the Creator and Sustainer, has created man in two stages. In the first stage Allah has formed man out of the essence of clay. He indicates in the Holy Qur'an: "Indeed We have created man out of the essence of clay..." verse No. 12 Surrah No 23 ALMUMINOON.

ولقد خلقنا الإنسان من سلالة من طين. سورة المؤمنون الآية رقم ١٢

In the second stage Allah, the Lord and Creator, has breathed into him of His spirit, then in great eternal ceremony, the Lord ordered all His angels to fall down kneeling before man in prostration: "And when I have formed him fully and balancedly and breathed into him of My Spirit, fall down kneeling before him in prostration." Verse No 29 Surrah No 15 Al-Hejr.

فاذا سويته ونفخت فيه من روحي فقعوا له ساجدين، سورة الحجر الآية ٢٩

In this series of articles I intend to explain my opinion briefly about the

What is HOPE

* HOPE, the Human Optimum Psyche' or al-Sharafi's Theory is a modern personality theory.

* HOPE is based on al-Sharafi's new epistemological methodology called: "Cybernetics as per the three dimensional readings in time and place."- The three dimensions being the Holy Quran, the Cosmos and the Human Psyche'.

* HOPE is defined as: "The state of highest integrity of psychobiochemical functions stable enough to transmit peaceful feelings and constructive behavior to the external environment- both physically and socially."

* HOPE is the common target of all human philosophies, sciences, cultures, civilizations and religions.

* HOPE materializes an ideology for Islamic revival based upon contemporaneous modern interpretations of the eternal Holy Quranic verses and the Prophet noble Sunnah.

* HOPE is the convergence point of the three great Abraham religions; Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

* HOPE is a vital preparatory phase for the ideal cosmopolitan human being that emits peace and love and respects the international values of human rights, democracy, freedom, justice and cooperative peaceful co-existence

nature of the four components; the Spirit, the Psyche, the Physical body and the Personalities constituting the human entity. That is according to the specific terminology adopted by my HOPE doctrine.

To be continued

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Views of Japan

Flowers in the Japanese' life

A single flower artistically planted in a paintless vase in a room at a tea school was enough to divert my attention from the tea master who was teaching how to make the Japanese tea. I did not know that arranging flowers in art by itself here in Japan.



Ashraf Yasui

The Japanese art of flower arrangement is called ikebana in the Japanese language, but the materials of ikebana can include freshly cut branches, vines, leaves, grasses, berries, fruit, seeds, as well as wilted and dried plants.

As one of the traditional arts of Japan ikebana has developed a symbolic language, as well as decorative concepts, and the use of natural, ephemeral flowers and branches makes the dimension of time an integral part of the creation. The relationship between the materials; the style of the arrangement; the size, shape, texture, volume and color of the container; and the place and occasion for

its display are vitally important factors.

The diversity of Japan's natural landscape and ancient, agricultural way of life set the scene for the development of ikebana. A decisive influence was the introduction of Buddhism from China in the 6th century, and with it, the custom of floral offerings to the Buddha and the souls of the dead. Since then it has gone through different stages of development until the modern time where westernized methods began to be used.

In the beginning of the 20th century up to the 1970s, ikebana was developed into an art that encouraged free, creative expression. Whereas in all traditional styles, the materials were gathered



Okunoshima Gas Museum

to emerge from the container as a single point, now various kinds of supports to arrange cut plants over an extended surface in wide, shallow containers are used.

A number of techniques are used to preserve the freshness of plants. These include crushing, boiling or burning the base of the stems, and the application of various chemicals.

Okunoshima Poison Gas Museum

Upto the World War II, none could trace this tiny but important island on any map. This island was a secret base for producing poison gas. Only a few people worked in this island. These were very carefully chosen. None of the staff knew what was his workmate's job.

This poison gas facilities, belonging to the Second Tokyo Military Arsenal, was established on Okunoshima in 1929. It was then destroyed in 1945 at the end of the War by the US forces.

Before 1984 it was a little known fact that Japan itself used poison gases. The fact that chemical weapons had been used in warfare was kept secret and the Japanese people, having not concerned themselves with the former Japanese army and Navy, have scarcely realized the truth.

In 1984, it was first reported that Japan had carried out chemical warfare. Since then, the structure of the Japanese chemical armaments industry has come to light through the research of the history of Narashino Military Academy. Great amounts were produced on this island.

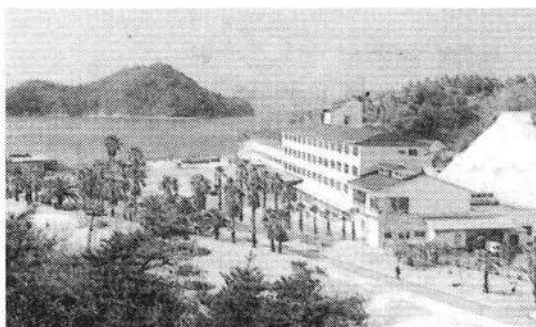
Today, Okunoshima Island has been developed as a National Vacation Village and has become a public health resort. There are very few reminders of the past except a gun platform, electricity generating station and a poison

Japan's Grants to Yemen since (Except Japan's Grant Aid for Grassroot)		
Amount in Japanese yen	NAME OF PROJECT	AMOUNT
FY 1990	Expansion of Rural Telecommunication Network	683,000,000
	Increase of Food Production	500,000,000
	Debt Relief Grants (2 times)	969,000,000
	TOTAL	2,152,000,000
FY 1991	Expansion of National Tuberculosis Control Programme	508,000,000
	Rural Water Supply Project	587,000,000
	Increase of Food Production	500,000,000
	Debt Relief Grants (2 times)	1,393,000,000
	Cultural Grant Aid for Sana'a University	41,000,000
	TOTAL	3,029,000,000
FY 1992	Rural Water Supply Project	531,000,000
	Construction of Workshop for Construction Machinery	1,035,000,000
	Increase of Food Production	500,000,000
	Debt Relief Grants (2 times)	642,000,000
	Cultural Grant Aid for Preservation of Historical Cities	43,000,000
	Grant Aid for Disaster by Flood	19,000,000
	TOTAL	2,770,000,000
FY 1993	Rural Water Supply Project	233,000,000
	Improvement of Solid Waste Management in Sana'a	512,000,000
	Improvement of Broadcasting Equipme in Sana'a TV Station	799,000,000
	Grant Aid for Coastal Fisheries Development in the Southern Region	373,000,000
	Improvement of Solid Waste Management in Aden City	536,000,000
	Increase of Food Production	500,000,000
	Debt Relief Grants (2 times)	325,000,000
	TOTAL	3,278,000,000
FY 1994	Rural Water Supply Project	309,000,000
	Debt Relief Grant	1,010,000,000
	Grant Aid for Disaster by War	63,800,000
	TOTAL	1,372,800,000

Part of the Japanese generous grant aid to Yemen

gas storehouse. The museum was built with the cooperation and understanding of groups representing the affected people and related towns and cities and Hiroshima Prefecture. It represents a sign of Japan's commitment to peace and rejection of all signs of wars.

Hisham al-Qubati



Okunoshima island

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GUINNESS: WHERE ARE YOU?

Husseina's parents died while she was a child. She depended on her small farm and on pasturing goats to earn her living. Despite her long age, one feels amazed at her golden memory and her sound mental health.

Interestingly, Hassina remains a confirmed bachelor. She has never tried to look for a man to protect her. She has never left her village. She used to go on foot or on donkey to go to different places in the village. Her great home is Raida in which she lives in great harmony among the Muslims and Jews alike.

As far as food is concerned, Hassina is vegetarian. She eats tomatoes, bread and other vegetables. She said she had never had ghee or any kind of manufactured oil or cheese. She never smokes or chews Qat. She has never visited a doctor or had medicine.

The main reason for her long-lived age according to what she said is the fact that her mind had never been engrossed with matrimonial life. Recalling the old days, she enthusiastically loves to tell how much she admired the Turkish soldiers touring the village on horsebacks. "The were kind and generous to me," she said.

Hassina has never listened to the radio or watched TV. She has no interest in



politics. Her only concern is Raida and its people. As a true Muslim, she donated all what she has to renew the Great Mosque in Raida area which is about to collapse, a move that has been highly appreciated by the people of village.

One thousand rials has been allocated to help improve her health condition. Despite her sickness with anemia owing to malnutrition, she repeatedly refuses to take medicine.

Recently, Hassina starts to feel bored of life. Maybe, she begins to feel the bitterness of loneliness.

Mohammed Bin Sallam
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Hassina: Eldest Woman on Earth GUINNESS: WHERE ARE YOU?

Hassina Nasser Mohammed from Raida, Amran governorate, is likely to be the eldest woman in the

world. She has lived all the changes that have occurred throughout the history of Yemen since the second half of the 19th century and is still in fine fettle. According to the residents of Raida, Hassina has lived a long life reaching 140 years according to Muslims' Calendar, i.e. 137 years according to the Gregorian Calendar.



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Bracing for the worst AN INDIAN-PAKISTANI WAR

NEW DELHI The Indian Army is preparing to conduct its "biggest" exercise in 15 years in the Rajasthan desert and the plains of Punjab in the northwestern part of the country, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported on Saturday.

The exercise, due to begin in early next year, will help evaluate India's defense capability in the event of a nuclear attack by Pakistan, the PTI quoted defense sources as saying.

Troops and defense equipment are being brought near the western borders by special trains and private trucks, while anti-nuke attack units equipped with radiation-proof uniforms and special weapons are also being deployed in desert areas, the sources added.

It would be the first time that these newly-created units which they said can repulse a nuclear attack would be exhibiting their might in the exercises, the

sources noted.

Troops from all the corps of the Army would participate in the exercise, and senior army officials would also be assessing their strategies in mock battles, the PTI said.

The announcement of the exercise plan assumes significance in view of the recent escalation of tension along the India-Pakistan border. In the past couple of weeks following the December 13 terrorist



attack on the Indian Parliament, both sides have reportedly made their largest military build-up in 30 years in the border areas. Meanwhile Pakistan foreign minister Abdul Sattar said in a press conference in Islamabad Saturday that Pakistan does not seek any war-local or general, conventional or nuclear- it is for peace and for adherence to the norms of peaceful co-existence

and the principles incorporated in the charter of the United Nations. On his part Indian prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee on Saturday said that his country would do its utmost to avoid a war with Pakistan, but asked the people to be "prepared to face any eventuality."
 Xinhua

Arafat, Powell Hold Phone Talks on Violence

GAZA Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and U.S. Secretary of state Colin Powell discussed on telephone late Friday the decrease of violence and the resumption of peace negotiations with Israel, a senior Palestinian official said on Saturday. Nabil Abu Rudeineh, a top aide to Arafat, said that Powell spoke first with Arafat and told him that the decrease of violence between the Palestinians and Israelis would be a good gesture to resume the peace talks.

Abu Rudeineh told Palestinian radio "Voice of Palestine" that Powell promised to continue urging the Israeli government to ease security and military restrictions imposed on the Palestinian territories for about 15 months. Meanwhile, Israeli radio reported that Powell had also spoke with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, without giving details of the phone talks.

The Palestinian National Authority (PNA) cabinet Friday appealed to the U.S. to send U.S. Mideast peace envoy General Anthony Zinni back to the region to start the immediate implementation of (George) Tenet's plan and Mitchell report recommendation. "The leadership is ready to send a security and a political team to Washington to explain the positions and measures taken by the Palestinian side," said a statement issued after the PNA cabinet meeting chaired by Arafat in the West Bank city of Ramallah. It is reported that a U.S. State Department official indicated earlier that Zinni would return to the region when conditions were appropriate, but noted that at the moment there were no concrete plans for the envoy's return.

On December 16, Arafat called for an end to militant attacks on Israel, but Israel said that Arafat had not cracked down strongly enough on groups behind a series of suicide bombing attacks in Israel, which claimed lives dozens of Israelis. The PNA security forces had declared a state of emergency, closed down more than 30 institutions belong to Islamic Resistance Movement (Hamas) and Islamic Jihad (Holy War), and arrested more than 200 members of the two organizations in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Xinhua

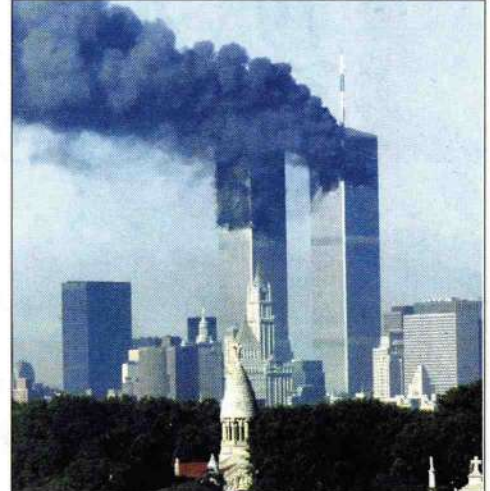
YEARENDER: Xinhua Top 10 World News Events of 2001

BEIJING The following are the top 10 world news events of 2001 selected by Xinhua. The events are arranged in chronological order:

- 20,000 People Die in Violent Earthquake in India**
 A wild earthquake measuring 7.9 on the Richter scale jolted Gujarat of India on January 26, killing at least 20,000 people and injuring 167,000 others. The earthquake severely destroyed the infrastructure of the disaster area, demolished lots of villages and towns and caused a total economic loss of more than 2.1 billion U.S. dollars. This is the strongest quake in India since the 8-magnitude earthquake in 1950.
- Human Genome Sequence Revealed**
 The human genome sequence and the preliminary analysis result were revealed on February 12 jointly by scientists from China, Japan, Germany, France, Britain, and the United States, and Celera Genomics, a U.S. company. The human genome was proved to contain some 30,000 to 40,000 genes consisting of 3.2 billion alkali base pairs. This was another major step in exploring the mystery inside the human being. It was estimated that the work of mapping the entire human genome can be finished by the year 2003.
- Israeli-Palestinian Conflict Severely Escalates**
 Since Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon took office on March 7, his government has pursued a series of tough policies which have aroused intense resentment from the Palestinians. Some radical Palestinian military factions carried out bombing attacks at Israelis. In retaliation, Israel resorted to force by launching targeted killings, bombing Palestinian security offices, and invading Palestinian-ruled cities. The conflict has escalated to a situation unprecedented in the past decade. On December 3, the Israeli cabinet accused the Palestinian National Authority (PNA) led by Yasser Arafat as an entity supporting terrorism and then cut relations with Arafat. The Middle East peace process is currently going through a crucial period.
- OUA Transformed into AU**
 The 37th summit of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) held in Lusaka, Zambia, on July 9-11 ratified the transformation of the 38-year-old OAU into the African Union (AU). The 53-member AU is expected to be more capable of resolving major political, economic and social issues faced by the African continent, and of coping with globalization. This was the last meeting of leaders from the OAU members, which marked the start of the one-year transitional period from the OAU to the AU.

5. September 11 Terror Attacks in the United States

On September 11, two hijacked American airliners plowed into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York which collapsed successively, and one crashed into the Pentagon in Washington D.C. Relevant U.S. authorities announced that more than 3,200 people were killed or missing as a result



of the terror attacks, and that the economic loss, direct or indirect, reached hundreds of billions of dollars. The September 11 terror attacks have been the most carefully planned in the world and aroused shock and strong condemnation by the international community.

6. Afghan Taliban Regime Collapses

Maintaining that Saudi-born militant Osama bin Laden, then sheltered in Afghanistan and protected by the Taliban, masterminded the September 11 terror attacks, the U.S. government launched large-scale military strikes on Afghanistan as of October 7.



Meanwhile, the Afghan Northern Alliance launched counteroffensive against the Taliban militia. The Taliban gave up resistance completely in early December. Representatives of four Afghan groups reached an agreement in Bonn, Germany, on December 5 to establish an interim administration. The interim government headed by Hamid Karzai was sworn in on December 22.

7. Successful APEC Summit Held in Shanghai



On October 20-21, the ninth informal meeting of leaders from the 21 Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) members was successfully held in Shanghai, China. Chinese President Jiang Zemin chaired the meeting, delivered an important speech and had meetings with leaders present at the conference. During the meeting, leaders of APEC members, focusing on "Meeting new challenges in the new century; Achieving common prosperity through participation and cooperation," had an in-depth exchange of views on the current world economic situation, human capacity building and future development of APEC, reached a broad consensus and issued a declaration and the Shanghai Accord.

8. China's Entry into WTO

The legal document on China's accession to the World Trade Organization (WTO) was unanimously adopted on November 10 during the fourth WTO ministerial meeting in Doha, Qatar. On December 11, China officially became the 143rd full member of the organization. During the meeting, representatives of the 142 WTO members, after negotiations on the topics and objectives of a new round of trade talks, passed a ministerial declaration and agreed to start a new round of multilateral trade talks.

9. The United States Unilaterally Withdraws from the Anti-ballistic Missile Treaty

U.S. President George W. Bush announced on December 13 the decision to withdraw from the 1972 Anti-ballistic Missile Treaty, which immediately met strong criticism from the international community. Russian President Vladimir Putin said that Bush's decision was "a mistake." Many other leaders and international analysts held that the withdrawal cleared the way for the United States to deploy the National Missile Defense System and further established the U.S. as the biggest nuclear power. However, it undermined the process of international disarmament and would lead to a new round of arms race. The U.S. withdrawal from the ABM also severely damages the foundation of international security and strategic stability, and will bring unexpected effect on the future world order.

10. World Economic Slowdown

Since the beginning of this year, a most serious economic slowdown in 20 years has occurred in most areas of the world. The U.S. economy started recession in March; affected by the U.S. economic fallout, the 15-member European Union underwent a sharp economic contraction; the Japanese economy experienced a further deterioration; the Asian economy, which was on recovery from the 1996 financial crisis, also slowed its pace of growth; and Latin American economy plunged into difficulty, with political disturbance breaking out in Argentina owing to the country's economic crisis at the end of the year. The September 11 attacks not only dealt a blow on the U.S. economy, but also severely affected the economies in other parts of the world. The International Monetary Fund estimated that the world economy would grow by only 2.4 percent this year, 2.3 percentage points lower than last year. Xinhua

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الإصلاح ضحية الإتهامات والحسابات السياسية

به حتى ولو في دولة أوروبية. ولذلك كانت جامعة الإيمان التي يرأسها الشيخ عبدالمجيد الزنداني الهدف الأول للأمريكيين (١) إذا ما كان هناك ضربة عسكرية بحسب تحليلات واهية نشرتها صحيفة معارضة. وثار الجدل وزاد عن حده دون مبررات أو اعتبارات وحشدت هكذا فجأة دون دلائل وأضحة جامعة الإيمان لتكون في المواجهة وتشل حركة التعليم فيها حتى الآن بل أن إجراءات اتخذت ضد طلاب عرب وأجانب ولم يمتحوا التأشيرات للسفر بسبب أنهم طلاب في هذه الجامعة.

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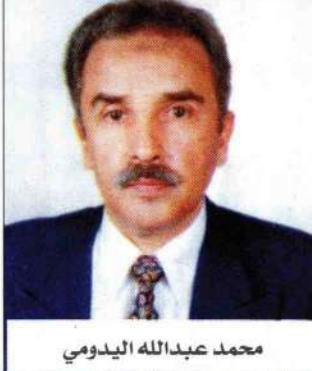
والخلاصة أن اختيار اللفظ ومدلولاته لتركيبة المعنى في السياسة وكل شيء ضروري بدلاً من التخطيط والشروع بعيداً بالإتهامات لتبرير فساد قائم وأمن غائب وسيادة أخذ ينتقص منها اعداء الأمس واليوم وهي كذلك ضرورة للإصلاح كحزب له مؤسسة وهدف.

مع الحزب الحاكم عند أول انتخابات نيابية في العام ٩٩م عندما حصد (٦٣) مقعداً واحتل المرتبة الثانية قبل الحزب الاشتراكي اليمني الحاكم الذي لم يحصل سوى على (٥٢) مقعداً.

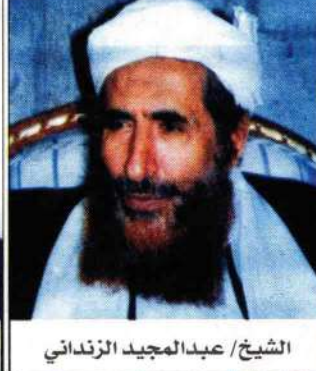
وجاءت المرحلة الثانية من حرب ٩٤م - وحتى الانتخابات النيابية في العام ٩٧م تحمل مدلولات أخرى في موقف الحزب الحاكم منه بعد أن رأى أنه قد انفض المولد وبدأ الدور بالظهور على خشبة المسرح غير لازم بعد أن حصد أغلبية مريحة اراحته في الحصول على الحكم بمفرده دون شريك.

وبعد الانتخابات الرئاسية عام ٩٩م بدأت لحظات "هنا نفترق" تطل بقرونها في علاقة الإصلاح بالحزب الحاكم وبدأت حملات قوية ضد أعضاء قياديين في الإصلاح عبر صحف رسمية يفترض بها أن تكون بمنأى عن ذلك كونها تمول من الخزينة العامة والمال العام الذي يدفعه المواطنون كضرائب.

والسؤال المطروح إذا لم يكن التجمع اليمني للإصلاح قد حدد مرشحه للرئاسة سلفاً بالرئيس علي عبدالله صالح كيف سيكون وضعه؟



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لتذهب بعيداً.

تطلق الأوصاف جزافاً بلا هوادة ونتهم حزبياً سياسياً أخذ من المكان الكثير وحقق الانتشار السياسي ما يجعله الثاني بعد الحزب الحاكم وإن لم يكن الأولى بالمقاييس الحقيقية.

ولهذا لا يصح أن تطارد القوات الحكومية ومعها القبائل بعد الاتفاق على توحيد الجهود (١) ويكشف تعددها أمريكا تحوى أسماء مشتبهيين، وتكون الحملة الموازية إتهام التجمع اليمني للإصلاح بالإرهاب واحتوائه لهم.

لقد مارس كثير من السياسيين الإرهاب بمفاهيم مختلفة وهذه حقيقة لا تنكرها الأحزاب السياسية جميعها وإن شذ هذا أو ذلك بفعل نزوة عابرة أو تصرف طائش لا تتعجل في الصاق التهم والتلذذ بالأوصاف. ولعل العجب يصل مبلغه عندما سمعت صحفياً يقول في تصريحاته أن اليمن جادة في محاربة الإرهاب وراح يستشهد على ذلك بإلقائها للمعاهد العملية التي تعتبر المصدر الأول لتخرج الإرهابيين حسب قوله.

والثابت أن مسيرة التجمع اليمني للإصلاح التي أخذت ثلاث مراحل بدأت بظهوره كقوة سياسية كبيرة عقب إعلان الوحدة وتحالفه

لم يلق أي حزب سياسي منذ إعلان الوحدة اليمنية وحتى الآن من الإتهامات كما كان نصيب التجمع اليمني للإصلاح.

غير أن الواضح أن هذه الإتهامات كانت ذات بعدين في مصدرها منها ما هو من حزب الإصلاح ضد الأحزاب السياسية الأخرى وعلى وجه التحديد الحزب الاشتراكي اليمني قبل حرب ٩٤م.

وبعدها ضد الحزب الحاكم ومنها ما هي ضده من السلطة وأحزاب المعارضة.

لكن الدعاية المهولة ضد حزب التجمع اليمني للإصلاح إتسعت رقعتها في الأونة الأخيرة والأخص بعد أحداث الحادي عشر من سبتمبر التي عصفت بتاريخ الولايات المتحدة واقتصادها الذي ظهر على أسواق البورصة مشلولاً يشكو العوز برغم الاستكبار السياسي.

ولهذا فإن المراقبين للأحداث بشكل يومي يدركون خطورة ما وصلت إليه الدعاية في اوصافها وتداعياتها الخطرة، فالإرهاب بالمقاييس الأمريكية أصبح يذق مقرات حزب الإصلاح في المدن ودعايات القوى السياسية في المعارضة والحزب الحاكم تواصل حملتها ضد الإصلاح لتتيسر صفة الإرهاب له كحزب.

بيد أن حزب الإصلاح لم يكن برئياً تماماً من أوصاف الصقها به السياسيون في المعارضة والحكم ولا يستطيع نكران حقيقة جوهرية في أن أعضاء كبار فيه ومن مؤسسيه ساهموا في تجنيد متطوعين للحرب في أفغانستان عبر السعودية وأسامة بن لادن المطلوب رقم واحد أمريكياً.

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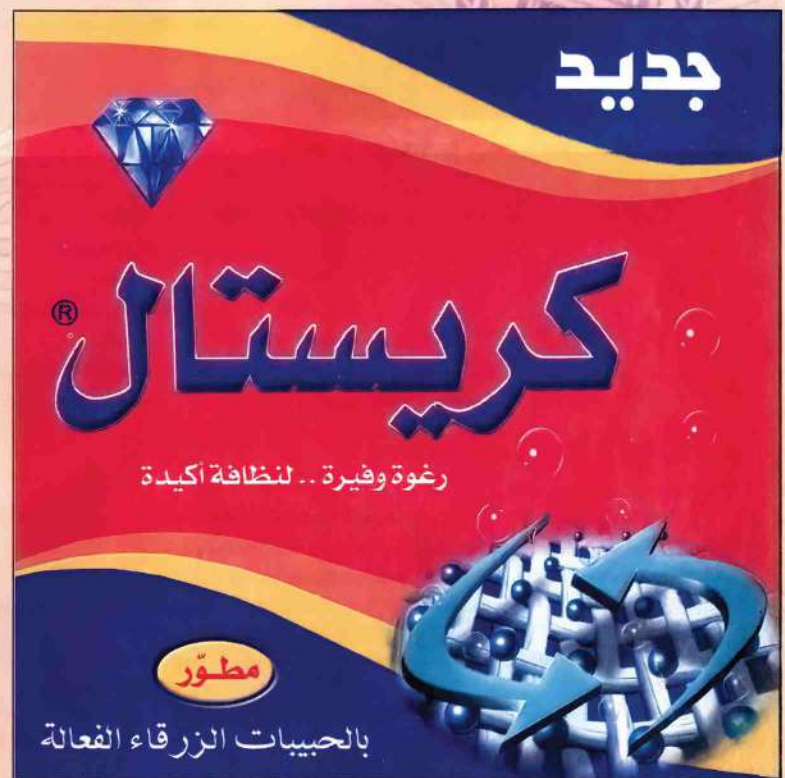


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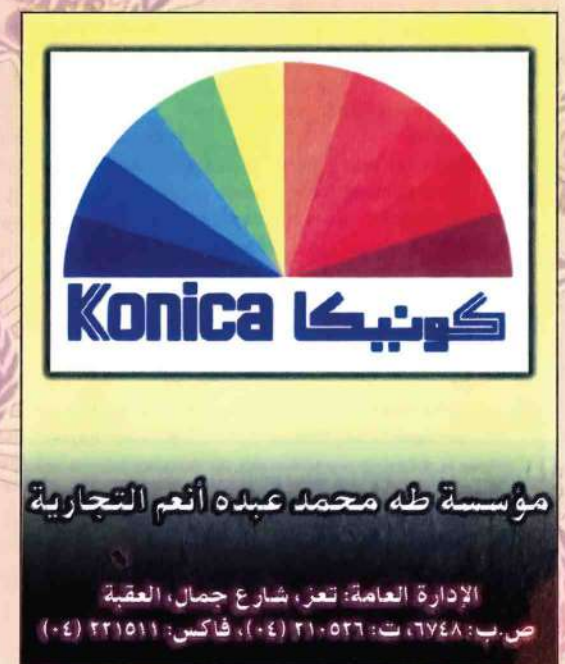
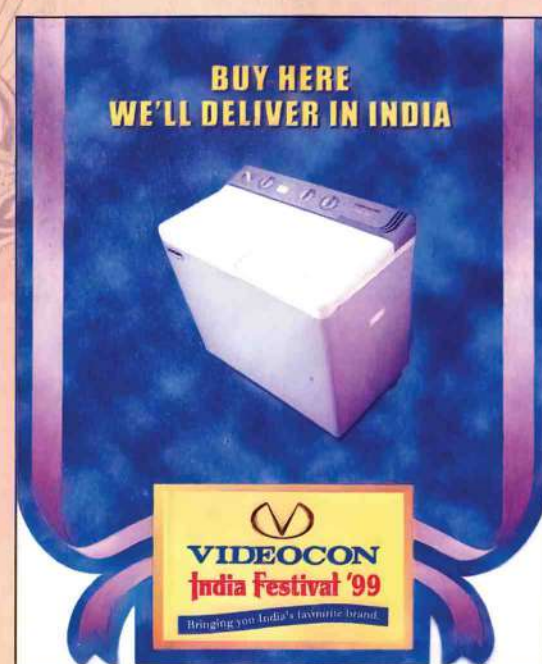
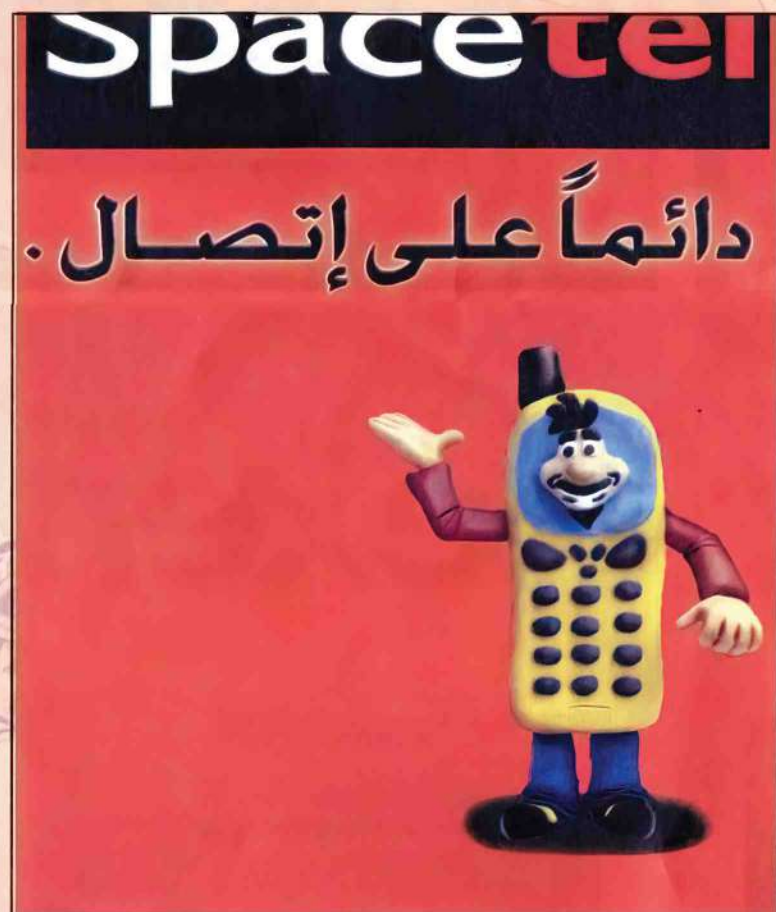


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 - لندن
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 - ما هو الحدث الجاري في شميلة هاري حالياً؟
 - توفير الاحتياجات المنزلية
 - سحب كبير
 - تخفيضات
 - سوبريم الدجاج المفضل من إنتاج إحدى شركات مجموعة اخوان ذابيت.. فما هي هذه الشركة؟
 - شركة ذابيت للاستثمارات
 - الشركة اليمنية لتصنيع الألبان والأشربة
 - شركة المنظف اليمنية للتوكلة
 - تميز الموديلات الحديثة في طباخات جليم غاز بالمواصفات التالية:
 - 100% أمان كامل
 - الطبخ والشوي معاً وبإب الفرن مفلق
 - الأثنين معاً
 - دشنت شركة أفا في الأسبوع الماضي مهرجانها السنوي.. بماذا يمتاز هذا المهرجان؟
 - يعرض منتجات جديدة
 - يقدم تخفيضات جيدة
 - كلا الخيارين
 - كم عدد الجوائز المقدمة في مهرجان سوني؟
 - 20 جائزة
 - 80 جائزة
 - أكثر من مائة جائزة
 - تعمل المتحدة للتأمين على مدار الساعة بنضال،
 - نظام النداء الآلي
 - الاستقبال صبر الهاتف
 - كلا الخدمتين
 - ما هي العلامة التجارية التي من إحدى منتجاتها زيت الطبخ؟
 - صالفي
 - لاهير
 - نظيف
 - ما هي جنسية شركة بريمان المتخصصة بملابس الأطفال؟
 - بلجيكية
 - صينية
 - تايلندية
 - الشركة اليمنية لتصنيع الألبان والأشربة أنتجت حديثاً شرب اسمه (مرحبا) هل هو:
 - شرب مركز بالميز
 - شرب مركز الفراولة
 - شرب مركز بنكهة الفواكه المشكلة

- Mark the Correct Answers:
- YT Person of the Year 2001 is:
 - Ahmed Jaber Afif
 - Hussein Daifallah Al-Awadi
 - Ahmed Al-Kuhlani
 - One of the free services of Spacetel Yemen is?
 - Short Messages SMS
 - International Roaming
 - Local Call
 - What is the number of the exploration blocks operated by Canadian Nexen Petroleum Yemen?
 - 5 blocks
 - 7 blocks
 - 4 blocks
 - Check the product produced by the Yemen Company for Detergents & Soaps (a company of al-Hathrah Group of Companies)?
 - Al-Jawharh
 - New Tite
 - Abad al-Shams
 - Yemen Gulf Bank provides its customers with a unique service called home-banking, which keeps you updated about:
 - Expiry date of bank guarantees
 - Account Summery
 - What stated before and others
 - One of the following products of Videwcon is used to heat sandwiches:
 - Kenstar Sandwich Toaster
 - Bazooka
 - Challenger
 - What is the country of origin of S Bissell vacuum cleaners whose sole agent in Yemen is al-Kabous Establishment?
 - USA
 - Germany
 - Italy
 - On every Monday, Yemenia flies to:
 - Paris
 - London
 - Rome
 - What's the event that Shumaila Hari has?
 - home fair
 - lucky draw
 - big sale
 - Supreme chickens imported by one of the companies of Thabet Groups is:
 - Thabet Company for Investments
 - Al-Makhazin Co for Fruits
 - The Yemeni Company for Dairy and Beverages manufacturing
 - Modern Glem-Gas Cookers Models are distinguished by:
 - Being 100% Safe
 - Cooking and Grilling at once while oven is closed
 - Both feature prizes
 - What distinguishes ALFA Company in its annual festival:
 - Degree from university
 - e-ACCP diploma from APTECH
 - Both
 - How many prizes does sony present?
 - 20
 - 50
 - More than 100
 - United Insurance Co. operates 24 hours a day because of the:
 - Automatic Calling System
 - Automatic Answring Machine.
 - Both services
 - What is the trade mark in which Al-Tabbakh Ghee is one of its products?
 - Pure
 - Abundant
 - clean
 - The country of origin of Premaman company for children garments is from:
 - Belgium
 - China
 - Thailand
 - A national company recently produced a drink called (Marhaba). What is this drink? :
 - Bannan juice
 - Strawberry juice
 - Cocktail juice
- The correct answer for question # 3 of Canadian Nexen of the last issue 52 is: (September 1993) which mistakenly didn't appear in the choices. Thus, all answers will be considered correct. Our apology for the readers.

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