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Viewpoint

Yemen's Indomitable **Defenders Retaliate Saudi Crimes**

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Once again the aggressors have faced the wrath of the indomitable people of Yemen who this time have targeted a strategic location in the Saudi occupied region of Asir in retaliation for Riyadh regime's crimes against humanity.

Yemen is under a tight blockade imposed by the pro-Zionist Saudi clan, and since March 25, 2015 its infrastructure has been devastated by the ceaseless bombardment of civilian facilities by the Anglo-American aggressors who have so far brutally killed over a hundred-and-ten-thousand men, women, and children.

Kudos to the defenders of Yemen who continue to bravely resist the invasion of their country, and at every opportunity carry the battle to the enemy's camp with their rapidly improving arsenal of drones and ballistic missiles.

The so-called human rights bodies based in Western countries, which have the habit of framing up independent countries for something they have never done, have always closed their eyes to gross violation of human rights by the rootless and unrepresentative regimes, especially of the Arabian Peninsula.

The heretical Wahabbis, who claim to be Muslims and style themselves as custodians of Two Holy Places in Hijaz, have the least consideration for human rights, including those of fellow Arabs, as is evident by their destabilization of Syria, Iraq, and Lebanon, as well as their recent backstabbing of the Palestinians, have failed to break the spirit of resistance of the lightly armed Yemenis in spite of using the most lethal weapons supplied by the US, Britain, and France.

This is yet another proof of the hollowness of Saudi Arabia, a spurious state like the Zionist entity that the same British had created 16 years earlier in 1932, following the sacrilegious slaughter of Muslims in the holy cities of Mecca and Medina by the desert brigand, Abdel-Aziz Aal-e Saudi and his desecration of the holy sites of Islam. Since then, the cultish regime of Rivadh which in 1934 occupied the northern Yemen provinces of Najran, Jizan, and Asir, has been slavishly serving British and American interests, as well as Zionist interests, even if it means the loss of Islam's former qibla, the sacred al-Aqsa Mosque in the occupied Islamic city of Bayt al-Moqaddas to Israel. In Yemen, however, the arrogant and ignorant Saudis have stumbled into a quagmire from which it is not easy for them to exit without losing face, but the more brutality they have used in the unwanted war, the more miserable has become their situation. The latest defensive act of Yemen's popular Ansarallah Movement in retaliating against the state terrorism of the Saudi clan, is a warning to the aggressors of the firm retaliation they will face. Whether the Saudis, or more properly their evil mind, MBS (Mohamed bin Salman the self-styled Heir Apparent of his senile father), like it or not, the war against Yemen will end only with the bitter humiliation of the regime in Riyadh – if not its total collapse.

in Tehran, Elsewhere



Iranian people wear masks, amid a rise in the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) infections, in Tehran on October 23, 2020.

TEHRAN (Dispatches) -- Iran extended COVID-19 curbs in Tehran and across the country on Monday as health authorities said they were recording a death from the virus every four minutes.

Some hospitals had run out of beds to treat new patients, the head of the national coronavirus taskforce told national TV. "Our doctors and nurses are tired. I urge everyone to respect the protocols," Alireza Zali said.

The health ministry in the Middle East's hardest-hit country reported 337 new deaths and 5,960 new cases over the past 24 hours. A banner on national TV said that amounted to a death every four minutes.

Authorities have complained of poor social distancing, and Deputy Health Minister Iraj Harirchi said last week the death count could soon rise to 600 a day if Iranians fail to respect health protocols. "We asked for fines to be collected from anyone who doesn't wear a mask," Saeed Namaki said last week, referring to the government's new mandate for Tehran, the capital. "But go and find out how many people were fined. We said close roads, and yet how many did they close?"

The closure of schools, mosques, shops, restaurants and other public institutions in Tehran, that was due to end on Monday, would now be extended until Nov. 20.

"Extreme measures and limitations" will be imposed for one week in at least 43 counties where the infection rates have been alarming, the TV report added, citing officials. It added that 21 of Iran's 31 provinces were on a coronavirus red alert.

Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei took aim at authorities on Saturday. He demanded for the first time they prioritize public health over "the

security and economic aspects" of the pandemic.

"When the Health Ministry determines restrictions, all agencies must observe and enforce them without taking into account other considerations," the Leader said.

Tehran has blamed U.S. sanctions for hampering its efforts to tackle the outbreak. Washington has refused to lift sanctions that were reimposed after 2018 when President Donald Trump exited Iran's 2015 nuclear deal with six powers.

Monday's data took Iran's total death toll to 32,953 and the number of identified cases to 574,856, Health Ministry spokeswoman Sima Sadat Lari said.

Iran's Foreign Ministry called the U.S. administration a "cruel collaborator" of the coronavirus, saying that the Islamic Republic will never forget Washington's "inhumane" sanctions.

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IRGC Chief Visits Border With Azerbaijan

TEHRAN (Dispatches) - Commander of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) Major General Hussein Salami on Monday visited Iran's northwestern border areas near a battlefield where Azerbaijani and Armenian forces have been exchanging fire in recent weeks.

The IRGC commander was not in uniform when he visited the northwestern border region close to the

in recent weeks, prompting Tehran to seriously warn the warning sides to stop them.

The Azeri president on Friday assured that there will be "no more inconvenience" along the two countries' border, after his forces liberated the entire border with Iran.

Speaking in an interview with the French newspaper Le Figaro. Ilham Aliyev said his country has "cleaned completely the Azerbaijani-Iranian border from Armenian occupants.' "There will be no more inconvenience for our brothers across river of Araz (Aras) in Iran," Aliyev said. "As far as I know, Iranian leaders also talk to the Armenian side. Because the clashes were taking place just by the river Araz, close to the border with Iran, and by accident, some of the weapons crossed the

border," he said.

"But today we announced that we cleaned completely the Azerbaijani-Iranian border from Armenian occupants. Therefore, no more clashes take place there, and there will be no more inconvenience for our brothers across the river," the Azeri leader added.

On Sunday, IRGC Ground Force commander Brigadier General Muhammad Pakpoor said more units may be deployed to Iran's northwestern border amid the fighting. The IRGC Ground Force deployed a mechanized brigade to the border on Sunday during a tactical drill.

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Enemy Seeks Iran's Capitulation **Through Talks**

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TEHRAN (Dispatches) The chief of staff of the Iranian armed forces on Monday blasted the enemy's bid for negotiations with Iran, saying it is a tactic to force the Islamic Republic to surrender to the U.S.

Addressing a videoconference on civil defense, Major General Muhammad Hussein Baqeri dismissed the idea of negotiations with the U.S. as a nonstarter.

"The enemy's purpose is to make the Iranian nation cave in to the strategies and polices imposed by the U.S.," the general warned.

"They want to bring Iran to the negotiating table, but the result of such negotiations has been already determined, and that is Iran's surrender to the U.S.," Baqeri added.

The top commander said capitulation runs completely counter to the goals of the Islamic Republic.

Iranian officials have repeatedly rejected the idea of direct negotiations with the U.S., stressing that Washington must first resume honoring its commitments under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) and lift the sanctions on Tehran. Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei has ruled out the notion that "settlement of Iran's problems hinges on rapprochement with the U.S." Negotiation with the U.S. will by no means solve Iran's problems as Washington's main objective is to hinder Iran's progress, he has said, calling American officials are liars and deceitful.

The writing on the wall is crystal clear. No amount of British or American weapons, or for that matter Israeli assistance, will save the Saudis from their impending doom.

Aras river, Tasnim news agency reported.

The border area in Khoda Afarin county is the closest point to Azerbaijan which took it back from Armenian forces after 28 years of occupation last week.

After monitoring the latest developments in the region, General Salami issued necessary orders to step up security at the border areas. Dozens of stray rocket shells fired by Armenian and Azerbaijan forces have landed in the Iranian territory

The Army's Public Relations Office released a statement, saying the drills fielded the force's offensive mobile brigades that have been developed from former mechanized infantry brigades under the Ground Force's "new structure."

Iran Sets Up Radiation Defense Bases

TEHRAN (Tasnim) - Iran has established radiation defense bases in provinces hosting nuclear facilities, head of the Civil **Defense Organization said Mon**day.

In remarks at a videoconference, Brigadier General Gholam Reza Jalali said the radiation defense bases have been set up in five provinces of the country with nuclear sites and facilities.

The bases have been established as part of a mechanism for dealing with the threats of possible radiation leaking from nuclear sites, he added.

The commander said the Civil Defense Organization has formulated a strategy known as the urban defense document to protect the cities and offer a modern model for urban development in accordance with the security and defense regulations.

In October 2018, Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei highlighted the important role of the Civil Defense Organization in countering enemies' threats and urged all military and non-mil-

itary sectors to closely cooperate with the organization.

"In the face of enemies' complicated offensive methods, the Civil Defense (Organization) should remain vigilant and serious and, through scientific, precise, up to date, and inclusive efforts, counter any infiltration," Ayatollah Khamenei said.