

U.S. stages fresh attacks on Yemen as Trump vows to annihilate resistance



File photo shows the aftermath of the United States recent airstrikes against Yemen

Sanaa, March 20 (RHC)-- The United States has engaged in fresh military escalation against Yemen after President Donald Trump vowed to destroy the Arab Peninsula nation's Ansarullah popular resistance movement, which has served as an instrumental force in regional retaliation for rampant aggression by the Israeli regime, Washington's closest ally.

On Thursday, it was reported that American warplanes had carried out fresh bombing against Yemen's port city of al-Hudaydah and the city of Sa'ada in the country's farthest-lying northwestern areas. "They will be completely annihilated!" Trump had earlier written on his Truth Social media platform, referring to Ansarullah.

Also on Thursday, the Israeli regime reported that missile sirens had rang out throughout the Shfela region and the holy occupied city of al-Quds and their surroundings in the central part of the occupied Palestinian territories.

Resistance media outlets, meanwhile, reported that sirens had gone off across huge swathes of the territories, from al-Quds to the city of Tel Aviv.

The developments came after Yemen's Armed Forces resumed their anti-Israeli operations at the discretion of Ansarullah's leader Abdul-Malik al-Houthi. Houthi had set the Israeli regime a four-day deadline to open the Gaza Strip's crossings to let in vital aid into the Palestinian territory. Tel Aviv has closed off the terminals amid its deadly attacks against the coastal sliver.

The regime, however, missed the deadline, prompting the Armed Forces to resume a ban on Israeli and Israeli-affiliated vessels' crossing key waterways off Yemen's coastline.

On Saturday, Trump issued an executive order mandating deployment of "overwhelming lethal force" against Yemen. He, however, did not mention the Israeli regime and Yemen's anti-Israeli operations, instead accusing Sana'a of disrupting international navigation.

This is while Yemeni authorities have repeatedly asserted that the country's strikes were only aimed at Israeli targets.

Over Saturday and Sunday alone, as many as 53 Yemeni civilians, including women and children, were killed in American airstrikes hitting purely civilian targets throughout entire Yemen, despite Trump's assertions that the US's aggression was aimed at Ansarullah.

Also on Thursday, the U.S. president alleged, despite the American strikes' toll on non-combatants, that the Yemeni movement had suffered "tremendous damage." "And watch how it will get progressively worse -- It's not even a fair fight, and never will be," he wrote.

Yemen has, nevertheless, asserted that it would keep up its support for Gaza and confront the American aggression no matter its intensity. On Wednesday, the Yemeni Armed Forces' spokesman Yahya Saree underscored that "the American aggression will not deter Yemen from fulfilling its religious, moral, and humanitarian duties towards the Palestinian people."

He, meanwhile, confirmed that the forces had initiated "escalation of military operations against the Zionist enemy unless the brutal aggression on Gaza stops and the siege is lifted."

His remarks came two days after the Israeli regime resumed its war of genocide against Gaza, killing close to 1,000 Palestinians, mostly women and children, in addition to the roughly 48,000, who had perished as a result of the war since its onset in October 2023.

Trump, meanwhile, repeated his allegations against Iran of arming the Yemeni forces, a claim that has been unexceptionally rejected by the Islamic Republic. "Iran must stop the sending of these Supplies IMMEDIATELY," the American head of state claimed.

Most recently, Iranian envoy to the United Nations, Amir Saeid Iravani denounced all such accusations as “baseless.” “I wish to express my deep concern and unequivocal condemnation of recent belligerent statements by senior officials of the United States administration, including the president of the United States,” Iravani wrote in a letter to the UN Security Council.

The claims, he said, had been made “while they (the American officials) were attempting desperately to unlawfully justify the US’s acts of aggression and war crimes against Yemen, leveling baseless accusations against the Islamic Republic of Iran and openly threatening the use of force against Iran.”

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