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Sanaa, January 24 (RHC)-- In Yemen, scores of people are dead after the U.S.-supported, Saudi-led coalition launched a heavy aerial assault on territory controlled by Houthi rebels.

One attack over the weekend destroyed a prison in northern Yemen near the Saudi border, with reports of 82 killed and dozens more trapped under rubble. Among the dead are African migrants who had been detained while attempting to cross Yemen to seek work in Saudi Arabia.

U.N. Secretary-General António Guterres condemned the bombings and called for an investigation, as did families of prisoners who visited the site. One of the family members, Salman Badi, told reporters: “We came from Amran province on a visit to find out that the prison has been hit by warplanes. This is a crime to be added to their crimes, and this makes us more determined to face their aggression. And we want concerned bodies to investigate this.”

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