Iraqi Prime Minister Criticizes Saudi-Led Yemen Bombings



Washington, April 16 (RHC)-- Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi has sharply criticized the Saudi-led bombing of Iranianbacked Houthi rebels in Yemen, escalating tensions between two key U.S. allies.

Speaking to reporters in Washington, D.C., Abadi said the Saudi operation had "no logic" and could trigger a wider regional conflict. Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States quickly hit back, defending the U.S.-supported offensive and denying reports of heavy civilian casualties.

Human Rights Watch, meanwhile, has called for an investigation into airstrikes by the Saudi-led coalition on a dairy in Yemen which it says killed at least 31 civilians at the end of March.

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