Saudi King Fires Successor Opposed to Yemen Campaign; Strikes Hit Sana'a Airport



Riyadh, April 29 (RHC)-- Saudi Arabia's King Salman bin Abdulaziz has fired his chosen successor, reportedly over his opposition to the Saudi-led military campaign against Houthi rebels in Yemen.

Muqrin bin Abdulaziz, the crown prince and deputy prime minister, was replaced by the king's nephew as part of a broader shakeup, which also saw the country's foreign minister replaced by the U.S.-educated Saudi ambassador to the United States, Adel al-Jubeir.

On Tuesday, the Saudi warplanes struck the international airport in the Yemeni capital Sanaa, damaging the main runway, to prevent the landing of an Iranian plane, which Iran said carried food and medicine.

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