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MEETING OF THE OIC CONTACT GROUP ON THE SITUATION IN
YEMEN

ON THE SIDELINES OF THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Report of the Meeting of the OIC Contact Group on the Situation in Yemen New York, September 2019

1. The OIC Contact Group on the Situation in Yemen held a meeting on the sidelines of the Annual Coordination Meeting (ACM) of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the OIC Member States at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on -- September 2019. H.E. Dr. Yousef bin Ahmed Al-Othaimen, the OIC Secretary-General chaired the meeting.
2. The meeting reaffirmed its strong commitment to support the unity, sovereignty, political independence and territorial integrity of Yemen, to refuse any interference in its internal affairs, and to stand in solidarity with the Yemeni people and their aspirations for freedom, democracy, social justice and comprehensive development.
3. The meeting affirmed its support for the constitutional legitimacy in Yemen represented by H.E. Abdrabbuh Mansur Hadi, President of the Republic of Yemen. The meeting also expressed its support for the resumption of the political process to resolve the Yemeni crisis politically based on the full implementation of the initiative of the Gulf Cooperation Council and its executive mechanisms and the outcomes of the Yemeni National Dialogue Conference. It asserted that any solution should rely on the resolutions of the international legitimacy, in particular UN Security Council (UNSC) Resolution 2216 (2015).
4. The meeting commended Saudi Arabia's call for dialogue between the Yemeni parties to discuss the recent events that erupted in Aden, Abyan, and Shabwah in August 2019 and the response of the Yemeni parties to the invitation and coming to Jeddah at the beginning of September 2019. This reflects Saudi Arabia's concern for intensifying national and regional efforts to focus on expediting the peaceful resolution of the Yemeni crisis.
5. The meeting praised the coalition countries for launching the Yemen Comprehensive Humanitarian Operations (YCHO), their financing thereof and the great efforts exerted in delivering humanitarian aid to the needy and facilitating its transit and facing the Houthi threats to the humanitarian corridors.
6. The meeting reaffirmed compliance with the relevant UNSC resolutions and those adopted by the OIC, the League of Arab States and the Gulf Cooperation Council for supporting Yemen's unity and the legitimate Yemeni authority, and the resumption of the peace process to achieve lasting peace throughout Yemen.
7. The meeting condemned all violations committed by the coup forces, including the forced arrests of political activists, journalists and intellectuals, assassination and physical liquidation of their opponents without fair trials, recruitment of children, siege of cities denial of humanitarian aid to the affected, looting funds, and continuation of military operations inside Yemen and cross-border. Add to these the threats posed to transport and navigation in the regional and international waters, and other war crimes punishable under the international law, the international humanitarian law and the international conventions.
8. The meeting condemned the repeated terrorist attacks by the Houthis on some ships in the region, on Saudi oil tankers, oil wells, civilian installations, territory and citizens. It asserted that the continuation of these terrorist acts is a clear violation of the international

laws and norms, a threat to international navigation and trade, as well as international stability and security, and a clear indicator of the Houthis' desire to prolong the crisis in Yemen. The meeting indicated that such attitude by the coup militias completely disregard the deteriorating humanitarian situation suffered by the Yemeni people due to these repeated provocative acts.

9. The meeting regretted the Houthi militias' refusal to implement the provisions of the Stockholm Agreement concluded by the concerned Yemeni parties on 28 December 2018, especially concerning Hodeidah Port to increase commercial and humanitarian shipments through the Red Sea ports. This includes the new arrangements for the management of Hodeidah Port to improve the humanitarian situation in Yemen.
10. The meeting stressed the need to continue joint and diligent work so that Yemen does not turn into a haven for violent groups and terrorist organizations and a source of threat to the security and stability of neighboring countries and to take all necessary measures to achieve this.
11. The meeting reaffirmed its continued support for the efforts of Mr. Martin Griffith, the UN Special Envoy for Yemen, and his endeavors to find a political solution to the crisis there and to avoid further fighting and destruction. It urged him to continue his efforts and ensure the implementation of the previous agreements to build confidence among the Yemeni parties along with expeditious holding of new negotiations and imposing sanctions on those who violate the implementation of agreements. These negotiations should be within the framework of the GCC Initiative and its executive mechanisms, the outcomes of the Comprehensive National Dialogue Conference 2014, the Riyadh Declaration 2015, and the UNSC Resolution 2216 (1025).
12. The meeting welcomed the outcome of the Donors' Conference in Geneva in March 2019 to fund the Humanitarian Response Plan in Yemen for 2019, and commended the contributions announced. The meeting appreciated the solemn role of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Salman bin Abdul Aziz of Saudi Arabia, and his generous contributions to support Yemen in the political, economic and humanitarian fields, which would alleviate the suffering of the entire Yemeni people, especially those under the Houthis' suffering the scourges of poverty, disease and persecution. In this regard, the meeting called upon Member States to continue to push forward the peace process in Yemen and provide political, security, economic and financial support to the Yemeni government to face the humanitarian challenges and undertake reconstruction efforts in the country.
13. The Meeting welcomed the Turkish Republic's offer to host the next meeting of the Contact Group at a date to be agreed on subsequently in coordination with the Republic of Yemen, the host country (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia) and the OIC General Secretariat.
