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ICSFT Denounces HRC Decision To

End The Mandate of Experts Investigating War Crimes In Yemen

The Human Rights Council falls into the trap of Saudi pressure. Once again, the credibility of the international community is plunging into Yemeni sand, and the Yemeni people continue to be let down by silence and other complicity. Once again, political interests prevail over human rights and the interests of peoples.

The countries of the Saudi war coalition rejected the decision proposed by the international group chaired by the Netherlands to extend the work of the Group of Experts in Yemen. The vote was a shocking one. Twenty - one countries announced that they were standing in the way of the resolution, against the consent of eighteen.

This rejection sets a dangerous precedent in the history of the Human Rights Council, knowing that the HR Council has not adopted a similar resolution since its establishment in 2006. Clearly, that is intended to conceal from the international scene the facts of the serious violations and crimes that are taking place in the Yemeni file. As the Chairman of the Group of Experts on the Yemen Inquiry, Kamal al - Jandoubi, stated, there is a lack of political will to resolve the conflict, as this decision left the Yemeni people facing their dark fate helplessly.

The ICSFT asserts that the Human Rights Council's decision on Yemen will become an additional reason for increasing the suffering of the Yemeni people through the persistence of violations of war crimes by the countries of the Alliance of Aggression.

This resolution calls into question the credibility of Member States' calls in international forums for the defense of human rights. This is a disgrace in the history of the Council. Yemen is experiencing the worst humanitarian crisis in the world in years. More than 80 per cent of its population is in need of humanitarian assistance, including 12 million children, in the midst of an unjustified international silence.

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