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Yemen

Decision adopted by the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians at its 162nd session (virtual session, 31 October 2020)



Yemeni members of parliament vote in Sana'a on 24 June 2000 to approve the 12 June border accord signed with Saudi Arabia. © Khaled Fazaa/AFP

- YEM-79 - Yasser Ahmed Salem al-Awadhi
- YEM-80 - Yahya Ali al-Raei
- YEM-81 - Saleh Ismail Abu Adel
- YEM-82 - Abd Al-Aziz al-Janid
- YEM-83 - Amine Ahmed Makharesh
- YEM-84 - Faysal al-Shawafi
- YEM-85 - Muhsin al-Ansi
- YEM-86 - Qasem Hussein al-Hadha'a
- YEM-87 - Ahmad al-Aqaari
- YEM-88 - Ali Abd Allah Abu Haliqa
- YEM-89 - Mohamed Yahya al-Hawri
- YEM-90 - Mansour ali Wasel
- YEM-91 - Ahmad Mohammad al-Dhubaibi
- YEM-92 - Abdo Mohammad Beshr
- YEM-93 - Khaled Mawjoud al-Saadi
- YEM-94 - Khaled Mohammad Qasim al-Ansi
- YEM-95 - Saleh Qaid al-Sharji
- YEM-96 - Ahmed Mohsen al-Nuwaira
- YEM-97 - Mohammad ali Siwar
- YEM-98 - Abd al-Wali al-Jabri

Alleged human rights violations

- ✓ Abduction
- ✓ Threats, acts of intimidation

Case YEM-COLL-02

Yemen: Parliament affiliated to the IPU

Victims: 20 male members of parliament

Qualified complainant(s): Section I.(1)(a) of the [Committee Procedure](#) (Annex I)

Submission of complaints: October 2019, July 2020

Recent IPU decision(s): - - -

Recent IPU mission(s): - - -

Recent Committee hearing(s): - - -

Recent follow-up:

- Communication from Yemen: July 2020
- Communications from the complainants: July and October 2020
- Communication to Yemen: September 2020
- Communication addressed to the complainants: September 2020

- ✓ Failure to respect parliamentary immunity
- ✓ Impunity
- ✓ Other violations: Assassination attempt

A. Summary of the case

This case concerns 20 members of the Yemeni Parliament, allegedly all elected during the 2003 parliamentary elections for a six-year term and who remain members of parliament in accordance with the Yemeni Constitution.

Since the beginning of the political crisis in 2011 and the outbreak of the war in Yemen in 2015, two different factions claim to embody the Yemeni Parliament: the Houthi militia, which control parliament in Sana'a in addition to other institutions in the territories under their control; and the parliamentarians who fled Sana'a and engage with the internationally recognized government of President Abdrabbuh Mansur Hadi.

The present case concerns 19 members of parliament, who remained in Sana'a and allegedly suffer attacks carried out by the coalition forces led by Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, and one member who is alleged to have suffered human rights violations by the Houthis due to his support for the internationally recognized government.

B. Decision

The Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

1. *Notes* that the complaint was submitted in due form by qualified complainants under Section I.1.(a) of the Procedure for the examination and treatment of complaints (Annex I of the Revised Rules and Practices of the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians);
2. *Notes* that the complaint concerns 20 members of parliament at the time of the initial allegations;
3. *Notes* that the complaint concerns allegations of abduction, threats and acts of intimidation, failure to respect parliamentary immunity, impunity and an assassination attempt, allegations that fall within the Committee's mandate;
4. *Considers*, therefore, that the complaint is admissible with regard to the provisions of Section IV of the Procedure for the examination and treatment of complaints; and *declares* itself competent to examine the case.