

Ta'iz Ceasefire Agreement

In the Name of Allah, the Most Compassionate the Most Merciful

During their meeting held on Saturday Rajab 9, 1437 corresponding to April 16, 2016 and pursuant to their agreement concluded in Dhahran Al Janoub on Rajab 3, 1437 corresponding to April 10, 2016, the Two Parties to this agreement have agreed to ceasefire in Taiz and to put this agreement in place. The Two Parties have also agreed to the following:

- 1- The Two Parties shall ceasefire and prevent all sorts of military actions including reinforcements, mobilization, and deployment or seizing new sites.
- 2- Starting Saturday at 3.00 p.m., all roads and entry points leading to and from Taiz shall be opened including the Taiz- Sana'a highway passing through Al Hawban cross point, Taiz- Aden highway and the road linking Taiz with Hodeidah- Shara'ab-Al Dhabab and other sub-roads and entry points and that checkpoints controlled by the two Parties shall ensure smooth movement of people, vehicles, commodities, supplies, medicines and other civil life needs in anticipation to lift these checkpoints in the future. The civil committee formed from the two Parties shall also follow up the opening of roads and other corridors while the two Parties shall keep in touch to facilitate any difficulties in relation to smooth movement of people and vehicles as agreed earlier by assigning two persons from each party to operate all the above-mentioned entry points.
- 3- Starting Saturday 3.00 p.m., Rajab 9, 1437 corresponding to April 16, 2016, all roads linking the districts of Taiz and within the districts shall be opened and to ensure smooth movement of people, vehicles, commodities, supplies, medicines and other civil life needs in anticipation to lift these checkpoints in the future.
- 4- In order to tackle any problem that would undermine validity of the ceasefire agreement, the bilateral military committee formed from the two parties shall convene regular meetings or keep in touch 24 hours through phone or social media after assigning two persons by each party for each front to tackle/prevent any action that might compromise the ceasefire agreement, including reinforcements, deployment or any of the actions mentioned in article (1) of the agreement signed in Dhahran Al Janoub City and as per the undersigned agreement.
- 5- In the event the committee assigned by the two parties at this front becomes unable to tackle the problems, the matter shall be quickly raised up to the Supreme Committee at the Governorate, which shall in turn take speedy action to resolve the problem so to ensure ceasefire to remain in effect.
- 6- The two parties shall commit not to arrest any person and shall seek to tackle the file of detainees and missing from the two sides as agreed.

This agreement is concluded on Rajab 9, 1437 corresponding to April 16, 2016.

First Party

Abdulkareem Shaiban

Ali Mohammed Ahmed Al Ma'amari

Second Party

Mohammed Abdullah Nayef- Chairman of the Committee

Brigadier: Zakaria Al Muta'a

PS: Main Roads (Sana'a – Taiz up to downtown Taiz and Hodeidah-Taiz road up to the city center shall be opened immediately on 16/04/2016 with the rest to follow suit gradually).

[Non-Official Translation by Neil Russell, University of Edinburgh]

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