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**Mr. Martin Chungong,**  
**Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union**

**Sub.: Seizure of Oil Tankers at Sea**

With reference to the above subject, we would like to note that the countries of the coalition countries against Yemen led by Saudi Arabia and the UAE are seizing oil tankers at sea and preventing them from entering the Hodeidah port to unload the oil shipment despite obtaining international licenses after being subjected to inspection in Djibouti. The number of ships seized at the time of writing this letter reached fifteen more than eighty days ago.

These criminal and arbitrary measures carried out by the coalition countries during the outbreak of diseases and serious epidemics, including the Corona epidemic, target the life of the Yemeni citizen and represent genocide. The seizure of ships will lead to a humanitarian catastrophe and a complete failure in all aspects of life.

It is unfortunate that these aggressive and criminal acts are taking place amid the silence of the Security Council, the United Nations and other humanitarian and international organizations. Saudi Arabia and the UAE are embellishing their image in front of public opinion by calling to hold a conference to support and assist the Yemeni people.

On the other hand, some of these organizations support what America and some European countries do by providing the coalition countries with various types of internationally prohibited weapons to kill the

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Yemeni citizen. Although the coalition countries announced in their media outlets to stop the war on Yemen, they still, until now, use the most lethal prohibited weapons in public and in full view of these organizations unfortunately including the UN. We cannot fail to remind you of a saying by the Arab poet Antar bin Shaddad, which the Yemenis are familiar with and repeat in such circumstances that we are going through, "better starve free than to be a fat slave".

Therefore, we in the Yemeni House of Representatives hold the Security Council and the United Nations the tragic consequences of these aggressive measures. We ask the United Nations to take speedy measures to lift the air, sea and land blockade, to secure the entry of ships to the port of Hodeidah, whether ships of oil derivatives, foodstuffs, and pharmaceuticals, and to save the lives of the Yemeni people who face the biggest humanitarian catastrophes in this world due to the war by the coalition and the ongoing blockade since March 2015.

We hope that this message will be circulated to all the parliamentary divisions.

Best regards,

**Yahya Ali Al-Ra'i**  
**Speaker of the Yemeni**  
**House of Representatives**

