

Item 4: Human rights situations that require the Council's attention

## The Situation of Children in Yemen

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## Mr. President

Children and the vulnerable groups in Yemen are in the worst humanitarian crisis ever happened in the history of this country. 2 million children in Yemen suffer from chronic malnutrition and approximately 80 percent of children require urgent humanitarian assistance. Cholera is widespread and its main victims are children. About 430 thousand people are infected with cholera, 2000 have died so far.

The destruction of the country's infrastructure as the result of the Saudi led coalition aggressions, has resulted in lack of access to clean water and lack of medical equipment and medical services to victims, especially children. The restrictions imposed on the sending of humanitarian aid, food and medicine in particular, has made the people of Yemen to suffer to death.

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Kiyana deems the possibility of committing crimes against humanity, genocide and war crimes very close to reality, and urgently requests the investigation of this issue by the UN.

We request the immediate action of the Council in setting up an independent commission to investigate the war crimes committed since March 2015. In this regard, the countries that sold billions of dollars of military equipment, fighters, and bombs to Arab Countries of the

Middle East have had undeniable responsibilities for death of children of Yemen.

The Saudi Coalition, the providers of military equipment, and other conflicting parties should not disagree such mechanism if they are sure they have not committed any maltreatment in their attack to Yemen.