

Administration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., 2022

Statement on the Cease-Fire in Yemen Mediated by the United Nations

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I welcome the announcement today of a 2-month truce in the Yemen conflict. This initiative is a long-awaited reprieve for the Yemeni people. It entails a halt to all military activities by any party inside Yemen and across its borders, the entry of fuel ships into Hudaydah port, and the renewal of commercial flights to and from Saana to agreed destinations. These are important steps, but they are not enough. The cease-fire must be adhered to, and as I have said before, it is imperative that we end this war.

After 7 years of conflict, negotiators must undertake the hard and necessary work to reach political compromises that can bring about an enduring future of peace for all the people of Yemen. I am grateful for the leadership role of Saudi Arabia and Oman in bringing this initiative to fruition before the Holy Month of Ramadan. I am also grateful for the hard work of the Yemeni Government and the confidence they have placed in U.N.-led mediation. The United States of America will work to deter threats to our friends and partners as we continue to strive for deescalation and peace throughout the region. I wish the people of Yemen a peaceful Ramadan and assure them of our ongoing commitment to help end this terrible war.

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