



The Concept of Terrorism in Sayyid Hussein Badr Al-Din Al-Houthi's Speeches

مفهوم الإرهاب في خطابات السيد حسين بدر الدين الحوثي

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الملخص:

تباينت الآراء حول مفهوم الإرهاب، وتناول الباحث مفهوم الإرهاب في فكر السيد حسين بن بدر الدين الحوثي وفقاً لمعنى الإرهاب في النصوص القرآنية "وأعدوا لهم ما استطعتم من قوة ترهبون به عدو الله وعدوكم"¹، والذي يعني تهريب أعداء الله، ولا يتحقق الإرهاب إلا بامتلاك أسباب القوة من اتحاد المسلمين والإعداد لمحاربة أعداء الإسلام، وبين أن الإرهاب هو ما تمارسه أمريكا وإسرائيل ضد الدول العربية. وقد عُرف السيد حسين بأنه مفكر سياسي واعٍ بأطماع أمريكا في الدول الإسلامية والشرق الأوسط خاصة بعد تفجير برجي التجارة العالميين في 11 سبتمبر 2001، من قبل الاستخبارات الأمريكية والموساد. ووضح دور أمريكا التي صنعت القاعدة وأعضائها كأسامة بن لادن وأتباعه في أفغانستان وغيرها حتى يكون لها مبرراً للسيطرة واحتلال الدول تحت مسمى مكافحة الإرهاب. وحذر أن أمريكا نشرت الثقافة المغلوطة البعيدة عن القرآن وتتضمن أيضاً تمجيد الأفكار الغربية في معظم الدول الإسلامية عبر المنظمات التابعة لها وروجت إعلامياً أن الإسلام هو الإرهاب وأنها تسعى في تطوير وتحريم الدول العربية من الإرهاب. ولم يغفل عن الإرهاب الإسرائيلي وأن الداعم له سياسياً وعسكرياً واقتصادياً هي أمريكا والتي قتلت الآلاف من الفلسطينيين منهم نساء وأطفال. وقام بعض حكام الدول العربية بالتطبيع والسلام مع إسرائيل والذي نهانا الله عزوجل في قوله تعالى: "ولا تتخذوا اليهود والنصارى أولياء"²، لذا نبه الحوثي بضرورة الشعار³ الذي يتضمن المعاداة لأعداء الله أمريكا وإسرائيل والنصر للإسلام، فقد شنت أمريكا الإرهابية عدوانها على اليمن وقتلت الآلاف منهم نساء وأطفال ودمرت العديد من البيوت. ولم تدرك أمريكا أن العدوان الأمريكي السعودي له دور كبير في صحة المسلمين ومعرفتهم بالإرهاب الحقيقي في بلدانهم.

الكلمات المفتاحية: مفهوم، السيد، الشهيد، الثقافة القرآنية، الشعار، العدوان، التطبيع.

Abstract:

The concept of terrorism has been a topic of debate and controversy. This research paper addresses the terrorism presented by Sayyid Hussein Badr Addin Al-Houthi, focusing on the Quranic texts that discuss it. According to the Holy Quran to prepare against them whatever you are able of power and steeds of war by which you may terrify the enemy of Allah and your enemy and others besides them whom you do not know but whom Allah knows and whatever you spend in the cause of Allah will be fully repaid to you, and you will not be wronged⁴. Sayyid Hussien Al-Houthi identifies America and Israel as the main practitioners of terrorism against Arab states, particularly after the 11th September 2001 attacks on the United States by American Intelligence and Mossad. He expresses that Al-Qaeda, led by Osama bin Laden and his followers were used by America as a justification for controlling and occupying countries under the guise of counter-terrorism. He warns that America has spread a culture that deviates from the Quranic learning and idolizes Western culture. America attempts to prove, through social media and its affiliated organizations, that Muslims are terrorists. This leads to the promotion of the false idea that Islam is synonymous with terrorism, while in reality, it seeks to develop

¹ الأنفال: الآية 60

² المائدة: الآية 51

³ الشعار: (الله أكبر، الموت لأمريكا، الموت لإسرائيل، اللعنة على اليهود، النصر للإسلام)

⁴ Anfal: 60 verse

and liberate Arab countries from terrorism. The role of America as the political, military, and economic supporter of Israel's terrorism, which has resulted in the deaths of thousands of Palestinians, including women and children, should not be overlooked. Some Arab leaders have even normalized and made peace with Israel, despite the Holy Quran warning Muslims not to take the Jews and the Christians as allies, they are allies of one another, and whoever is an ally to them among you - then indeed, he is one of them, Allah guides not the wrongdoing people⁵. Therefore, Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi emphasizes the importance of the slogan⁶ including the hostility towards America and Israel and victory for Islam. American terrorists wage the brutal aggression against Yemen, resulting in the deaths of thousands of innocent women and children and the destruction of their homes. America fails to realize that its involvement in the United States-Saudi aggression has played a major role in awakening Muslims to the true nature of terrorism in their countries.

Keywords: The concept, Sayyid, Martyr, Quranic culture, slogan, aggression, normalization.

Introduction

This research paper explores the concept of terrorism from the perspective of Sayyid Hussein Badr Al-Din Al-Houthi, a Yemeni political critic, and resistance leader. He questions the Western conceptualization of terrorism. According to the terrorism definition of international law, terrorism is criminal violence intended to intimidate a population or coerce a government or international organization; some national laws add a further specific intention to advance a political, religious, or ideological cause⁷. He notes the close link between terrorism in the American sense and neocolonialism. He expresses the concept of terrorism in the Holy Quran that the penalty for those who wage war against Allah and His Messenger and strive upon earth, to cause corruption is none but that they are killed⁸. He exposes the roots of what he refers to as American-made terrorism in some countries, such as Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria, Yemen, and Palestine. He also sheds light on America's role in perpetuating terrorism using it as an excuse to dominate Arab countries. He states that America's true intention is to maintain control and not eliminate terrorism, as evidenced by their support for Al-Qaeda. He also draws attention to the real terrorists in the region, Israel, and their ongoing atrocities against Palestinians. He criticizes the lack of

understanding of the Holy Quran among Arabs, which makes them vulnerable to manipulation by their enemies. He is unafraid to speak the truth and stand against Allah's enemies⁹. Further, he exposes that America changes the Arabic curriculum in schools to suit their agenda. America's control of these countries will only lead to further conflict and instability; therefore, American terror leads Muslims to kill each other and to be split into Sunni and Shia. Therefore, Sayyid Hussein's Quranic project begins by warning people about the danger of both America and Jews, who are seen as the Muslim's first enemy. The Holy Quran explains that Muslims will surely find the most intense of the people in animosity toward the believers to be the Jews¹⁰. Many cultural activists express the strong impact of Sayyid Hussein's Quranic learnings on Arabs and Muslims, who are encouraged to terrorize Allah's enemies. The Holy Quran warns to strive for Allah with the striving due to Him, he had chosen you and had not placed upon you in the religion any difficulty¹¹. Those activists include Hana Al-Mahaqari, Bushra Kharrov, Ghada Haider, and Dina Al-Rumaima. As Dina Al-Rumaima points out, "They may have succeeded in killing Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi and exchanged congratulations on their victory, but they do not realize that it is the beginning of their downfall, as this project has continued and

⁵ Maeda: 51verse

⁶ Slogan: (Allah is the greatest, death to America, damn to Jews, and victory to Islam)

⁷ [Defining Terrorism in International Law - Globalex \(nyulawglobal.org\)](https://nyulawglobal.org) Released date: 19th Aug. 2024

⁸ Al-Maeda: 33 verse

⁹ Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's article "Neither Jews nor Christians Will be Satisfied with You."

¹⁰ Ibid, 82 verse

¹¹ Al-Hajj:87 verse

expanded, thanks to the leadership of Sayyid Abd Al-Malek Al-Houthi."¹² Because he has a permanent attitude toward Allah's enemies, America, and the Jews.

The study is divided into two parts, as follows:

Part One: Introduction

This section of the paper provides an overview of the research and outlines its significance. It introduces the following:

1. Significance of the Study:

The paper aims to:

- Depict the autobiography and tragic experience of Martyr Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi.
- Expose the real terrorists in Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's speech: America and Israel.
- Explore the brutal wars of American terror against innocent Muslims and Arab countries, such as Saudi-American aggression on Yemen.

2. Objectives: The objectives are divided into broad objectives and specific objectives.

a) Broad Objectives: The paper aims to

- Explore the concept of terror in the Holy Quran, Muslims who terrorize Allah's enemies, and those who corrupt certain countries around the world, including America and Israel.
- Highlight the nation's suffering under American terror.

b) Specific Objectives: The specific objectives of this paper are to:

- Critically express the real terror nowadays,
- Give voices to Yemeni nations,
- Expose the criminal acts of terrorism in certain countries.

3. Limitations of the Study: While there are many Yemeni critics and writers, this research paper focuses on the work of one

writer, Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi. Therefore, the scope of this paper is limited to his discourses relating to American terror. While Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's speeches express various themes, the research exposes the criminal actions of terrorism in Islamic countries that have been targeted and occupied by America, Imam Khomeini¹³ depicts America as the mother of terror. The research explores the political corruption of some Arab rulers who obey American terror in destroying their countries and waging brutal wars against innocent Arabic nations.

4. Methodology: This paper follows a descriptive-analytical study that consists of the following:

a) **Theoretical Study:** It shows how Yemen has exposed the culture of terrorism, as reflected in Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's discourse. It also reveals how America, the mother of terrorism, occupies different countries in the name of counter-terrorism. America has spread many organizations in the Arab countries to support their colonization and to prove that Islam is a terror. In other words, the terror of America attempts to develop their country and eliminate Islam by creating conflict. This has resulted in the spread of political corruption among Arab rulers.

b) The Critical Study:

This part is divided into two sections:

1. A Brief Sketch of Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi,
2. Definition and Issues of Terrorism in Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's Speeches.

The paper provides a deep analysis of the selected works that will be examined in the following section:

¹² <https://althawrah.ye/archives/790992> Released date: 11th Feb. 2023

¹³ Ruhollah Musavi Khomeini was born on 17 May 1900 in Khomeyn, in what is now Iran's Markazi province. He was the author of more than 40 books and the founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran he was an

Iranian Islamic revolutionary, politician, and religious leader who served as the first supreme leader of Iran from 1979 until he died, which overthrew Mohammad Reza Pahlavi and ended the Iranian monarchy. www.imam-khomeini.ir

1. A Brief Sketch of Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi:

Sayyid Hussein Badr Al-Din Al-Houthi was born on 13 February 1960, in Ruwais, Beni Bahr in Sada¹⁴. He had 12 brothers. He had a master's degree in Shariah sciences from Sudan. He was the founder of Al-Haqq Party¹⁵ in 1990. He traveled to Iran and Lebanon. He won parliamentary elections in 1993, securing a seat in Yemen's Parliament. However, he left Al-Haqq Party and did not stand in the parliamentary elections in 1997. He was an expert in various cultural Quranic sciences and wrote many books, including the *Quran Praise Lessons Series*, *Ramadan Holy Month Lessons*, *Allah's Knowledge Lessons Series*, *Shadows in Nobles Prayer Lessons*, *The Uhud Conquest Lessons*, and *A'shura Lessons*. He has written some articles such as "International Jerusalem Day," "Who we are and who they are," "To Die and Alive for Allah," "Neither Jews nor Christians Will be Satisfied with You," "No Excuse for Everyone in front of Allah," "Loyalty and Hostility," "Risk of American Entry to Yemen," "To Follow the Sons of Israel," "Slogan is Weapon and Attitude," "Don't Buy Allah's verses for a Small Price," "Faithful Identity," "Quranic Culture," "Meaning of Prayer on Muhammad and his Family," "Scream in the Face of the Arrogant," "Islam and the Culture of Followers," "Terrorism and Peace," and "Responsibility of Religious Science Students."

In addition, Sayyid Hussein's father was a Zaidi¹⁶ scholar. Badr Al-Din Amir Al-Din Hussein Mohammed Al-Houthi was born in Dahyan city on 17th Jumada 1345. He grew up in a scholarly family in Sada and started seeking knowledge at an early age. He was one of Yemen's leading Zaidi scholars, and he

wrote some books, including *Facilitation of Interpretation the Holy Quran*, *Liberating Ideas from the Tradition of Evil*, *Zaidi in Yemen*, *Brief Response to Al-Hijaz's Opinion* and *Explanation of Imam Ahmed Issa Zaid Ali*. Further, he admired Imam Khomeini's Islamic Revolution in Iran, which raised hope for an Islamic state free from the international hegemony of America and other Western countries. Imam Khomeini and his Islamic Revolution against Allah's enemies, Americans, and Israelis, as stated by the scientist Badr Al-Din:

Imam Khomeini, Allah's mercy on him, was very keen to free the Arabs and Muslims from the dominance of America and the countries of the West, and to eliminate Israel. However, everyone stood against him, and we saw how those who opposed him were beaten and those who supported them were also beaten. Kuwait, Iraq, and Saudi Arabia were all economically beaten and burdened by the Americans.¹⁷

Later, Badr Al-Din immigrated to Najran, Jordan, and the Islamic Republic of Iran before deciding to return to Yemen. He was 86 years old when he died on Thursday 19 Thul Hajjah 1431, 25 November 2010.

Further, Sayyid Hussein closely monitored global events and the situation in his own country which was dominated by the United States. The American ambassador cooperated with his authority in Yemen because the Yemeni rulers were dependent and were politically, economically, and militarily controlled by America¹⁸. He was also involved in political activities, opposing the American Zionist project. As reported by Al-Thawra newspaper on 10 November 1445, he raised the slogan from the hall of the Imam Al-Hadi School¹⁹ in Marran, Sada on 17 January 2002.

¹⁴ Al-Thawra newspaper Al-Frida 26 Rabi Al-Other." 10 Nov. 2023, Revolution Net,

<https://alkhanadeq.com/post.php?id=129>

¹⁵ Al-Haqq Party: A Yemeni Islamic political party, founded after the Yemeni unity that was established on 22 May 1991 by a group of senior Yemeni scholars, such as scientist Badr Al Din Al-Houthi, Majd Al Din Al Mu'aidi, and Ahmed Muhammad Al-Shami. Other politicians are such as Muhammad Qasim Al-Hashemi, Abd Al-Salam Al-Wajeih, and Hassan Zaid. (Abd Al-Basid Jahaf, p. 3537, 2009)

¹⁶ Zaidi party: "It relates to Imam Zaid Ali Abi Talib. He has several books on the interpretation of the Holy

Quran. He was killed by the unjust ruler Hisham Abdul Malik Marwan during Umayyad rule. After his death, the regime ruler Hisham crucified him and burned him because he spoke the truth against his regime rule." Dr. Al-Mortada Zaid, p. 121.

¹⁷ <https://ar.wikishia.net/view/%D8%A8%D8%AF%D8%B1%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%AF%D9%8A%D9%86%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%AD%D9%88%D8%AB%D9%8A>

¹⁸ Abd Al-Rahman Al-Ahnomi "Eye on events."

¹⁹ Al-Hadi School: It relates to Imam Yahya Al-Hussein Al-Qasim Ibrahim Al-Hasani Al-Rassi. He was born in

Meanwhile, he strived to understand the correctness of his attitude toward Allah's enemies and warned the Yemeni ex-president, Ali Saleh, that he would meet the same fate as the Shah of Iran²⁰ if he strayed from Quranic culture.

On the other hand, there was some evidence of war preparations against Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi, including quotations and meetings. Ex-president Saleh went to Washington and met George Bush (president of the United States from 2001 to 2009)²¹ Vice President Dick Cheney, Secretary of State Colin Powell, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, and other officials. Then, the first war targeted the innocent Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi and his followers after six days since Ali Saleh had come back²². Another document is when the Yemeni Minister of Foreign Affairs met the Itali Ambassador. There was a letter of thanks to ex-president Saleh from Commander John Abi Zaid in the Central Command of the U.S.²³ According to a Wikishia document²⁴, another letter was sent by ex-president Ali Saleh to George Bush. The document demonstrated that "We are fighting the war against Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthis, and we have no problem with them except that they are showing hostility towards America and they are raising the slogan of death to America."²⁵ Another document states that "The Americans believe that ex-president Ali Saleh is capable of resolving the battle and eliminating Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi within weeks."²⁶ Also, another document exposes, "The regime failed to resolve the battle, prompting the Americans

to intervene directly. Two months after the war, two senior military commanders arrived in the capital, Sana'a, to help the regime Yemeni president resolve the battle."²⁷ On 10 September 2004, military forces surrounded Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi and his followers in Jarf Salman, Maran, and Sada, gained access to him, and killed him²⁰. The American aim of six brutal wars was to silence both the revolutionary Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's voice and his Quranic project, the Holy Quran directly towards society in rejecting American hegemony, thereby expanding United States activity in Yemen. As one of the cultural activists, Dina Al-Rumaima noted that Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi has worked to correct the cultural values and customs of Yemeni society, guided by the lessons of the Quran. He has also used the Quran as a guide to address the nation's issues and problems²⁸.

After that, his brother Yahia Al-Houthi applied for political peace in Germany, and Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's body was returned to Sada on 5th June 2013. A funeral was held for him, attended by many of his followers from various governorates of Yemen, and he was buried in Maran²⁹.

Some Quranic cultural activists continued to prove Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's correctness. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi was instrumental in ending the American presence in Yemen, as the American ambassador sought to dominate the country and its petroleum under the guise of counter-terrorism. America's true intention was to attack and control Arab countries for economic gain. Yahya Qasim Abu Awadha

859, at Al-Rass, Sada. He was the first Zaydi imam who ruled portions of Yemen from 897 to 911. He is also the ancestor of the Rassid Dynasty which ruled Yemen intermittently until the North Yemen Civil War in 1962. He is known by his honorific title: Al-Hadi to Al-Haqq, The Guide to the Truth. He died on 18th August, 911.x

[Al-Hadi ila'l-Haqq Yahya - Wikipedia](#)

²⁰ Mohammad Reza Pahlavi born on 26 October 1919, Persian, commonly referred to in the Western world as Mohammad Reza Shah, or just simply The Shah, was the last monarch of Iran. He began ruling the Imperial State of Iran after succeeding his father Reza Shah in 1941 and remained in power until he was overthrown by the 1979 Iranian Revolution, which abolished the country's monarchy and established the Islamic Republic of Iran. [Shah of Iran](#)

²¹ [George W. Bush - Wikipedia](#)

²² Confidential document of the Military Intelligence Service on 11/8/2004

²³ Ibid, 6 July 2004

²⁴ https://ar.wikishia.net/view/%D8%A8%D8%AF%D8%B1_%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%AF%D9%8A%D9%86_%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%AD%D9%88%D8%AB%D9%8A

²⁵ "Secret Documents: Al-Houthi was Killed by Direct Order from Bush", 22 Feb. 2022, 12:33 meeting.

²⁶ Confidential document of the Military Intelligence Service on 11/8/2004

²⁷ Ibid

²⁸ <https://althawrah.ye/archives/790992> Released date: 11th Feb. 2023

²⁹ Al-Thawra newspaper Al-Frida 26 Rabi Al-Other 10 November 1445.

mentioned that America had only worsened the problem of terrorism and had no interest in resolving it. America's criminal acts since declaring war on terrorism have only made the situation more complicated³⁰. In terms of the political aspect of Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's work, Samah Al-Kebisi explained that it was the most prominent and influential factor in the battle between the Quranic project and its followers, and Allah's enemies, including Islamic enemies and Satan's party.³¹ However, both America and Israel were opposed to Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's project. Dina Al-Rumaima concludes "This alerted America to the threat posed by his project to their colonial schemes, not just in Yemen but in all countries seeking to control it."³²

2. Definition of Terrorism in Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's Speech:

Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi claims to define terrorism as found in the Holy Quran. He poses important questions such as, "Who should be considered terrorists? What constitutes legitimate terrorism? What is terrorism that is not a project?"³³, even Muslim intellectuals and leaders fail to resist the distortion of the word "terrorism." Furthermore, Ghada Haider, one of the cultural activists, expresses the weakness of Allah's enemies (America and Israel).

The Holy Quran stated that they were weak from the Spider's house; their existence soon disappeared, their elements were weakened, their dreams were torn down, and their demonic and immoral projects collapsed in the occupation and shredding of the land, dispersing the children and the Yemeni who were armed with consciousness in the oppression of the nations³⁴.

The word "terrorism" in the Holy Quran means the unity of Muslims and their preparation for Jihad³⁵ against Allah's enemies. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi expresses that the Quranic interpretation is the only legitimate form of terrorism, yet Arab rulers continue to use the word in its American sense, rather than its Quranic meaning. Arabs ask American intelligence to distort the truth about terrorism. Westerners relate terrorism to Islam and Muslims. Westerners know the Quranic cultures. Mahmoud Shubaki³⁶ expresses that "While terrorism, even in the form of suicide attacks...is not an Islamic phenomenon by definition, it cannot be ignored that the lion's share of terrorist acts and the most devastating of them in recent years have been perpetrated in the name of Islam."³⁷ While the Western media attempts to associate the crimes and evil deeds in the country with the Islamic parties, the concept of terrorism in Western books differs from the definitions found in the Holy Quran. It explores America's intention of creating terrorism. According to the dictionary, the verb "terrorize" means to intimidate or cause fear, while "terrorism" is defined as the use of violence, intimidation, and killing for political purposes. The Oxford Dictionary defines a terrorist as a person who uses organized violence to achieve a political goal. Similarly, the United States (CIA)³⁸ defines terrorism as the illegitimate use of force to achieve a political objective, specifically targeting innocent civilians. Randy Borum defines terrorism as "acts of violence intentionally perpetrated on non-combatant civilians to further an ideological, religious, or political objective."³⁹

Drake adds, "Terrorism is the recurrent use or threatened use of politically motivated and

³⁰ 15 Rajab, 1438 h

³¹ Ibid

³² Ibid

³³ Peace and Terrorism, p. 15

³⁴ <https://althawrah.ye/archives/790992> Released date: 11th Feb. 2023

³⁵ Jihad: the word [Jihad] in its meaning is subjected to war, we have become fighting as persons, fighting our land as land, fighting our ideas as ideas, but war has become reaching our vocabulary, even our words are fighting, everything by our enemies is directed to our war in everything in our arena, to us personally, to our economy. To our culture, to our morality, To our values,

to our language, to our Quranic terms, to our Arabic terms. (Peace and Terrorism, 15)

³⁶ Dr. Mahmoud Yousef Shubaki: Associate Professor of Faith, Faculty of Religion, Islamic University, April 2007, "Concept of terrorism between Islam and the West." Research submitted to the Conference "Islam and Contemporary Challenges.", Faculty of Religious Origins, Islamic University, in the period: 2-3/4/2007

³⁷ Shmuel Bar, *The Religious Sources of Islamic Terrorism*. 2004, p. 27

³⁸ C. I. A: Central Intelligence Agency

³⁹ Randy Borum, *The Psychology of Terrorism*. University of South Florida, p.4

clandestinely organized violence, by a group whose aim is to influence a psychological target to make it behave in a way which the group desires.⁴⁰ "Walter Laqueur states that "Terrorism constitutes the illegitimate use of force to achieve a political objective when innocent people are targeted."⁴¹

Schmid and Turković also view terrorism as a means of politically motivated action, targeting specific members of governments or political actors to achieve a particular political aim.⁴² Mark Hamm and Ramon Spaaj, describe terrorism as political violence carried out by individuals who act alone, without belonging to an organized terrorist group or network, and without direct influence or direction from a leader or hierarchy⁴³. America's terrorism can also be seen as the threat or use of violence for political purposes, such as the control of petroleum resources in Arab countries, and cooperating with regime Arab rulers, against common nations. America created the terror list, to invade countries and has an economic benefit after colonization. Furthermore, the research expresses that American terror aims to spread its influence to other countries by establishing various organizations overseas. Arab Muslims work with American organizations and become spies against their countries. These are drawn from terrorist organizations that have been formally designated as such within the United Nations system, namely Al-Qaida and ISIL (Security Council resolution 1267 (1999) and subsequent resolutions)⁴⁴.

On the other hand, the American government uses social media to associate terrorism with Islam. The article "Introduction to International Terrorism." highlights how terrorist groups use the media to manipulate larger audiences by exploiting the suffering of a few indirect victims. This has transformed terrorism from a minor form of protest, blackmail, and

intimidation into powerful psychological warfare⁴⁵. According to Western social media, it is dominated by terror in America. The media proves that Iran and other Arab countries are often portrayed as the original terrorists and exporters of terrorism⁴⁶.

On the contrary, the research addresses the Iranian Islamic Revolution that is fighting against Allah's enemies, namely America and Israel. Despite being threatened by America, Hezbollah is not a terrorist because it follows the Quranic culture. Al-Houthi adds that Iranians know how to handle events and react appropriately. They show their unity by coming out with their leader and officials, challenging America. However, Muslims wonder, Does America change its prejudicial views towards Iran or take any steps toward peace with Iran? Some countries associate violent assault with Islamists, such as Japan, Korea, and China. This has led to the widespread belief that American culture is superior to Islamic culture. As Martyr Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi argues, "It is their culture that breeds criminal terrorism."⁴⁷ American terrorism tries to convince Muslim and Arab cultures to be the root of terrorism. Yet, America is not interested in eradicating terrorism because it is the root and source of terror.

Modern colonialism presents itself as a fight against terrorism, using the label of terrorists to divide and conquer regions. They use this as an excuse to enter and occupy countries, exploiting their resources, particularly petroleum. Muslims only realize their true intentions when they resist jihad. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi comments, "Haven't we all heard the US envoy's conversation with the President of Yemen, discussing the need for cooperation in combating terrorism and addressing its roots and sources? Is there any other motive behind their actions?"⁴⁸ Later, America succeeded in establishing unlawful

⁴⁰"Teaching Guide on International Terrorism: Definitions, Causes, and Responses," United States Institute of Peace, Education Program, Washington, p. 8

⁴¹Ibid

⁴²Schmid, p. 3; Turković, p. 55, *Counter-Terrorism*. "Introduction to International Terrorism," United Nations: Vienna, 2018, p. 11.

⁴³ Ibid, p. 4

⁴⁴ Schmid, p. 3; Turković, p. 55, *Counter-Terrorism*.

"Introduction to International Terrorism." United Nations: Vienna, 2018, p. 13.

⁴⁵Ibid, p. 3

⁴⁶Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's article "Neither Jews nor Christians Will be Satisfied with You."

⁴⁷ Terrorism and Peace, p. 19

⁴⁸ Ibid, p. 17

wars against the Yemeni innocent. When America attempted to change the policy and culture in Yemen by destroying the military capabilities of Yemen. Al-Ahnomi exposes, "On 11th September 2001, the World Trade Towers in New York, America, described as a terrorist act, were hit by Islam and Muslims while it was only America's manufacture."⁴⁹

However, the research explores that Arab rulers know completely that the real terrorism is America, which arms its extremist proxy groups in countries like Afghanistan, Syria, and Yemen. America expanded its terror and dominated some Arab countries. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi also points out that our country still has much wealth stored underground. America's ultimate goal is to plunder Yemen's wealth. Further, America wants to insult Muslims and humiliate them, leaving their state at their mercy. America's conspiracies, plans, and methods, reveal their deep hostility towards Islam, and Muslims.⁵⁰

Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi expresses that real terror is caused by Jews, who use Muslim money to fund wars and kill innocent nations, such as Afghanistan, Syria, and Yemen. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi states, "They are the roots of terrorism, and they are creating terrorism in this world"⁵¹. "Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi proves that the terrorists associate with America, "America is the one that makes terrorism for all people, and Jews seek corruption in the land, they are illegal terrorists."⁵² In other words, Muslims want to fight terrorism, which means fighting America and Zionists. As Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi says, "Let's establish the minds of Muslims. America is criminal terrorism; America is evil. Jews and Christians are evil."⁵³

The Ain Humanitarian Center has reported the total number of martyrs and wounded people during Saudi-American aggression for 8 years: In a statistical report received by the Yemen News Agency... The Centre has indicated for 8 years, the total number of martyrs and wounded

persons was 48394 martyrs, among them 4000 children, 30254 wounded, and 22476 wounded women. America weapons 15 airports, 16 ports, 346 power stations, 617 networks, and communication stations, 105 government installations, 7000, 233 roads and bridges were targeted, 409 factories, 390 fuel tankers, 466 chickens, 10 thousand and 279 transport vehicles, 485 fishing boats, 1000 and 20 food stores, 427 gas stations, 704 markets, 40 trucks, 603110 homes, 128 university establishments, 714 mosques, 384 tourist establishments, 417 hospitals, and health facilities were targeted, 1000 school, 265 educational facilities, 11350 agricultural fields, 141 sports establishments, 258 archaeological sites, and 61 media establishments⁵⁴.

Imam Khomeini refers to America as the great Satan and spreads corruption in every place in the world. The Almighty Allah speaks about Satan, stating that all of his actions are corrupt, harmful, false, and evil. Not only does America cause harm in this world, but it is described as a party that promotes terrorism, as mentioned in the Quran. "Indeed, Satan is an enemy to you; so, take him as an enemy. He only invites his party to be among the companions of the Blaze."⁵⁵ Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi adds "You will be a terrorist inside your home because inside your home there is a book, the Holy Quran."⁵⁶ America's culture, leading to the graduation of terrorists. Jusuf Al-Qardawi states "America has learned the world to those who are not with America; it is against us."⁵⁷ Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi emphasizes the importance of the slogan, stating, "This slogan is crucial in achieving victory in the battle between Allah and his enemies. The Americans must understand Islam and its ideas."⁵⁸ This slogan profoundly impacts Muslim souls, as mentioned in various Quranic verses such as Al-Baqra Sura, A'l-Imran Sura, and other verses. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi explains that when we hear this slogan, we are reminded of the Jews and Christians who are cursed by

⁴⁹ Abd Al-Rahman Al-Ahnomi, "Eye on events", 11 February, 2023

⁵⁰ Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's article "Risk of American Entry into Yemen."

⁵¹ Terrorism and Peace, p. 17

⁵² Ibid, p. 19

⁵³ Ibid, p. 21

⁵⁴ Ain Al-Humanity Center, 26 March 2023.

⁵⁵ Fatir: 6 verse

⁵⁶ Scream in the Face of the Arrogant, p. 17

⁵⁷ Jusuf Al-Qardawi in European Council of Fatwa and Research, pp. 36-37

⁵⁸ Ibid, p. 21

the Holy Quran. Al-Houthi adds, "When we show this slogan, we are completely aware of the sources of evil, corruption, terrorism, injustice, and oppression. Those are cursed by Allah in the Holy Quran, namely the Jews, America, Israel, and others who are in their orbit"⁵⁹. Bushra Kharrov states on Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's Quranic project that "He did in raising people's awareness and exposing America and Zionism's plans."⁶⁰ Muslims should refer back to the Holy Quran for guidance.

The culture of the Quran creates a good generation, instilling virtuous values and principles in individuals. This allows them to act in a way that promotes good, forbids evil, and considers the interests of others. The Quran does not promote evil actions through one's hand or tongue, unlike the culture of terrorism. On the other hand, some Arab countries are targeted by Americans due to the actions of Muslim terrorists. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi warns that accepting America's influence is equivalent to selling the Islamic religion to those who do not have the best intentions for Muslims, as stated in various Quranic verses. He expresses that "Whoever sells themselves to the devil in this world will face humiliation and shame in the Hereafter. They will gain nothing in the Hereafter and will not be helped in times of need."⁶¹

Palestine highlights the issue of Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's revolutionary idea. The liberation of Palestine, according to the resistant Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi, is the centerpiece of advancement, awakening, and awareness of the enemy's nature, tools, and methods. In his speech, he emphasizes the real danger of normalization with "Israel". He warns against Western conspiracies, aided by some Arab regime rulers, to undermine and liquidate the Palestinian cause. Years after these warnings were issued, we can see how several Arab states have pursued normalization with Israel's occupation, at the expense of the Palestinian people and their resistance. According to the

State Information Office, the most important statistics on Israel's brutal war on the Gaza Strip were published, 80 days after the genocide:

1745 massacres, 674 martyrs, and missing, 8500 child martyrs, 6300 female martyrs, 7000 missing children, 92 schools and universities destroyed by occupation, 115 mosques partially destroyed by occupation, 102 ambulances destroyed by occupation, 9 detainees from the Gaza Strip, 1 million displaced journalists, and 8 million displaced people⁶².

Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi warns, "We don't manage the consequences; the Palestinians have been selling their homes and selling their land...The Palestinians were selling their houses of Jews for large sums and seeing them as earners."⁶³ We do not follow the true principles of Islam. Israel is now striking the Palestinian Authority, beating Palestinians and Arabs. However, Israel is carefully aware that their actions towards Palestinians are criminal terrorism. Israel also facilitates the killing of many Palestinians at Sabra and Chatila in 1970s. Unfortunately, Arab rulers seek peace from America, Israel, or other European countries. However, Arabs know well that Western countries support Israel's acts of terrorism against Palestine. As Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi states that "Arafat became a prisoner at home when he addressed America, calling for peace, and leaders all over the Arab world were calling on America for peace."⁶⁴ Muslims forget what Almighty Allah in the Holy Quran that He named Muslims before in former scriptures and this revelation that the Messenger may be a witness over you and you may be witnesses over the people.⁶⁵ Have you forgotten that the Holy Quran states that Almighty Allah guides those who pursue His pleasure to the ways of peace and brings them out from darkness into the light, by His permission, and guides them to a straight path⁶⁶.

Nowadays, America supports millions in Yemen in the name of counter-terrorism. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi laments that Arabs

⁵⁹ Ibid

⁶⁰ <https://althawrah.ye/archives/790992> Released date: 11 Feb. 2023

⁶¹ Don't Buy Allah's Verses for a Small Price, p. 26

⁶² Monday, 25 December, 2023

⁶³ Terrorism and Peace, p. 29

⁶⁴ Terrorism and Peace, p. 28

⁶⁵ Al-Hajj: 78verse

⁶⁶ Al-Maeda: 16verse

and Muslims do not understand the gravity of the situation and continue to trust America. Americans are now coming to Yemen, and Jews turned to gangs and beat Palestinians. America supports Israel economically, with weapons and military preparations. Furthermore, American criminal terrorism is influenced by Jewish interests. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi argues that "The Jews have infiltrated our minds, and we have adopted their mentality of trading religion for money"⁶⁷.

Meanwhile, Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi focuses on taking a strong attitude against America and exposing its evil intentions. He wonders about the honesty of America's fight against terrorism, as they have a history of changing Muslim curricula in governmental schools to suit their agenda. Far away from the Islamic curricula, these schools are meant to promote Western religious learning. This exposes America's true motives; to dominate and wage a war of religion. Abu Awadha describes America's action as a comprehensive project that aims to control and manipulate nations' political, security, and military realities. He states that America's influence reaches every corner of the world, and they use events like the presence of terrorists in certain countries to justify their actions. Al-Houthi believes that America's support for terrorists like Al-Qaeda is evident in its funding and resources which come from certain countries.

Consequently, Arabs and Muslims must make efforts to combat the real terrorists who caused a division between rulers and their nations. America convinces Arab rulers that there is Al-Qaeda inside the nation, they support the rulers with military and weapons to kill the innocent nations and destroy their homes. On the other hand, the research expresses that America as the root of terrorism and the enemy of the Islamic religion because it attempts to divide Muslims into two parties, Sunnis and Shi'is, and incite them to kill each other, such as some Arab countries; Syria, Lebanon (Hezbollah) and Iraq. American committed the crimes against Muslim individuals, governments, and nations. Later, America creates an atmosphere

for attack and justification of its evil actions as combating terrorism or promoting freedom and democracy in countries such as Afghanistan, Lebanon, Syria, and Yemen. As Al-Houthi has mentioned before, neither Osama nor the Taliban are the real targets.

Therefore, Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi explains that Muslims who have a friendship with America, have an incomplete faith and lack consciousness. Al-Mighty Allah warns Muslims, If Muslims have friendship with Allah's enemies, America and Israel, it will become one of Allah's enemies⁶⁸. Al-Houthi asserts:

It has emerged at this time that one of the things that tightens enemies' grip on Muslims is that their governments are being deceived by others. They are cheating on Muslims who accept American militaries and intelligence to their countries⁶⁹.

On the other hand, Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi warns Muslims to take a permanent attitude against their enemies, America and Israel. However, he laments that some people do not understand the gravity of the situation and continue to support America. Abu Awadha describes America's action as a comprehensive project that aims to control and manipulate the political, security, and military realities of Arab nations. America's influence has reached every corner of the world, justifying their evil actions, such as the presence of Al-Qaeda.

America has another justification for occupying Arab countries in the name of having nuclear bombs, such as Pakistan and Iraq even though America and other Western countries have nuclear bombs, such as Russia and Japan.

On the other hand, he criticizes America's action, asking why they are only looking for terrorists in Islamic states while there is also terrorism and robbery happening within their own country. He points out the irony of large shops in American cities needing armed soldiers for protection, yet they fail to secure the owners of those shops.

⁶⁷Don't Buy Allah's Verses for a Small Price, p. 26

⁶⁸ Al-Maeda: 51 verse

⁶⁹Risk of American Entry into Yemen, p. 28

Conclusion

Based on the critical analysis of Sayyid Hussein Badr Al-Din Al-Houthi, the researcher comes to conclude the following:

1. Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's ideas, messages, social standing, and cultural symbolism have been powerfully revived, such as: Hana Al-Mahaqari, Bushra Kharrov, Ghada Haider, and Dina Al-Rumaima.
2. These cultural activists highlight the profound influence that Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's Quranic project had on Muslims and Arabs, urging them to fear Allah's possible adversaries and return to the reality of Islam and its laws.
3. Right now, some Western nations realize what Sayyid Hussain accurately predicted about Israel and America, he reveals America's realistic goals which are to colonize some countries rather than fight terrorism as in the brutal war of Israeli terrorists against innocent Muslims in Gaza (Palestine).
4. Fortunately, the boycott of US and Israeli goods leads to a financial loss to America and Israel. Muslims support America's weapons when they purchase American and Israeli goods, as Ghada Haider stated, "The boycott of US and Israeli goods comes as an effective weapon in the confrontation⁷⁰."
5. Finally, Sayyid Hussein's message has not been finished yet. Sayyid Abd Al-Malek Al-Houthi has persisted and grown, he possesses a permanent attitude toward Allah's potential enemies the Jews and America.

The researcher suggests some recommendations, as follows:

1. To shed light on the danger of the terror concept in the West that is different in Islam which means Jihad (To fight against Allah's enemies; Jews and America.)
2. To focus on Sayyid Hussein Al-Houthi's books and their importance to Muslims in religious, political, and economic fields.
3. To provide extensive research about the danger of terrorism (America and Israel)

and their evil plans toward the Arab countries in general and Yemen country in particular.

4. To analyze the American neocolonialism that exposes the root of terrorism in contemporary research.

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