

## Statement on Security in the Governorate of Ibb

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Important statement issued by imams and preachers of the governorate of Ibb concerning security in the governorate

Praise be to God: (And whoever kills a believer intentionally, his recompense is hell, wherein he will abide eternally, and the wrath and curse of Allah are upon him and has cursed him and prepared for him a great punishment), Surah "the women", verse 93.

Prayer and peace over our prophet Mohamed and his family, friends, and wives, and those who walked his course and traced his influence [...] to the day of judgement.

Given what is going through our beloved country due to war, imams and preachers have been compelled to ensure the governorate stays safe and stable, away from violence and fighting from any party, with the call to prohibit and criminalize the killing and fighting and bloodletting sinking it into a civil war which destroys everything. The ongoing wars in some governorates and what is happening there are a lesson and a warning, with the killing of innocent people, the displacement of the population, and the destruction of public and private property.

We call on all sons the governorate in all orientations and backgrounds to unite as one against those who call for killing and fighting inside the governorate and cooperate with all the honourable in order to keep the preservation of the governorate of Ibb being quiet and stable as it has become a haven for the displaced and refugees from all governorates inflamed by the war with the prohibition and criminalization of all sectarian, doctrinal, regional, and racist calls. We ask God to raise from our country these tribulations and misfortunes and to guide those advocates of murder, sedition, war, and hatred, and unite the word of the people of Yemen in general, and the people of Ibb particularly, on what is good and righteous. Issued on 15 August 1436 (Islamic Calendar), 2nd June, 2015.

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