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Operational Order Number 1 for the Year 2016

Regarding the Ceasefire Issued by the Leadership of the Ministry of Defence and the Presidency of the General Staff from M.Q.W.ST.R. by the Name of the Acting Minister of Defence, President of the General Staff

Issued at 18:00, 10/4/2016

Based on the instructions of the President of the Revolutionary High Committee, the high interest of Yemen, and the obligation from the decisions of the United Nations related to ceasefire. Upon that, we issue the following operational order:

- 1- The leaders of the forces, areas, formations, the interlocutors, the units and the independent units shall start a ceasefire of all weapons of different kinds and at all levels of stages of ground and sea operations and all fronts of battle, starting from 24:00 on 10/4/2016 local time of the Republic of Yemen.
- 2- All unnecessary provocative movements and operations will stop. This will be under the highest degree of patience and self-control.
- 3- In the case of an attack¹ from the other side, we must be quickly informed through the Command Centre and the Main Control of the place and time of the attack and the type of weapons used as well as what it resulted in.
- 4- In the case of a continuation of the attack the right to respond is guaranteed and lawful, [as are] mechanisms of self-defence.
- 5- The basic and important principle is to enforce a ceasefire unless there are issued instructions from us contradicting this order.
- 6- Sent for implementation

Copied with greetings:

- President of the Revolutionary High Court
- Deputy President of the Body of the General Pillars
- Heads of bodies

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¹ Or 'breakthrough'

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