

The Saudi Arabia-led war in Yemen has created the world's largest humanitarian crisis.

Our US government actively supports that war. Without US support, it would end.

But opposition in Congress is at a tipping point. We can stop the war in Yemen.

The war in Yemen has raged since 2015, as a coalition of Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates try to displace Houthis who control much of the country. **The US contributes directly to this war** – with arms sales and UN Security Council support, and with services such as in-air refueling of Saudi jets.

This war serves no interest of the US, except in giving us a reason to sell billions of dollars in arms to Saudi Arabia and the UAE. It is a regional dispute between the Saudis and Iran – a proxy war fought in Yemen.

Thousands of Yemenis have been killed, millions displaced, and many more are at risk, as the Saudi/UAE coalition attacks the port of Hodeida, the entry point for most humanitarian aid. Eight million people are on the verge of famine, and ten million more could soon be if the situation does not improve, says the UN. It appears to be the deliberate policy of Saudi Arabia to starve the civilian population, starting with their 2015 bombing of wastewater treatment plants.[1] Cholera is now rampant in Yemen – the largest epidemic in the world, with 1.1 million cases since April, 2017.



Our representatives may listen to us. In 2013, when the US, UK, and France were on the verge of bombing Syria, a vote in the British Parliament failed – its members did not want that war. At the same time, the US Congress was considering a vote as well, and members of both parties were flooded with calls from their constituents – people of the US did not want that war, either. President Obama called off the planned attack.

A bipartisan bill[2] in the US Congress, **HConRes. 138**, invokes the War Powers Act, insisting that the US military be forbidden from supporting the war in Yemen unless Congress votes for it to be there.

Call our Rep. Rodney Davis, 202-225-2371, and urge him to support HConRes. 138, the bill to stop US support of the war in Yemen. Without US support, the war might well end.

[1] <https://www.rt.com/news/440140-saudi-arabia-yemen-eu/>

[2] <https://www.thenation.com/article/centrist-house-democrats-join-the-progressive-movement-to-stop-the-war-on-yemen/>

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