

Agreement between Yafa' tribes in Lahj and tribal leaders and local officials in Shabwah to protect roads connecting the governorates

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In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful

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Praise be to Allah who said (And cooperate in righteousness and piety, but do not cooperate in sin and aggression) and blessings and peace be upon the Messenger of Allah who says ((The blood, wealth and honour of the Muslim are sacred to all Muslims)) and after:

The subject: agreement on the robbery and criminal activities on the Al-Abra highway, the last of which was the killing of the martyr Anis Abd al-Rab al-Antari and the severe injury of two others on 31/10/2016, and the past outlaw acts of the sons of Yafa' and others and initiating formal procedures.

After the arrival of a delegation of Yafa' tribes to the city of Ataq, Shabwah on 14/11/2016, and their reception by a number of sheikhs and tribes of Shabwa, several meetings were held between the sheikhs of Yafa' and a number of sheikhs of Shabwa, and its local leadership represented by the governor and the director of security, and others, and informing them about Yafa's charge and its tribal lawsuit according to customs and past tribal practices, and on Thursday the 12th of Safar 1438 AH corresponding to 17/11/2016, it was agreed on the following: -

- 1 - The people of Shabwah and Yafa', authorities and the tribes, recognize that they are one hand against those who carry out outlaw acts, looting, and killing on the highway mentioned above and all public roads.
- 2 - The people of Shabwa, authorities and the tribes, are committed to chase the suspects of outlaw acts and robbery, and not to harbour any wanted person, and any tribe that refuses to hand over wanted persons or harbour them, they are [considered] rivals of the Shabwa and Yafa' tribes, and the authority is not exempt from carrying out its duty to chase the suspects and arrest them.
- 3 - Whoever is proven to have been involved in such acts, the tribe to which he belongs must hand him over to the authorities and not cover up for him, to carry out the penalty following Allah's law, which indicates that the blood [the killing] of the bandit is permissible.

4- The local, military, and security authority leadership in Shabwa governorate is committed to secure the public route that goes through Ataq, which was suspended according to the decision of the Security Committee at its meeting held on 16/12/2016 and fighting bandits.

5 - The people of Shabwa and Yafa' affirm the continuation, and strengthening, of the bonds of friendships, brotherhood, and respect, and to work together to encounter hostile and intruding acts and events on our society that damage brotherhood ties and undermine the security and the stability of the community.

6 - Sheikh Ali Mohsen Al Sulaimani and Brigadier General Mahmoud Muthanna were appointed to follow-up the case's procedures with the joint criminal investigation crew.

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Source: Yafa news shares the text for an agreement from Shabwah, made between tribes and local officials in both Lahj and Shabwah, protecting roads connecting the two governorates
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