Yemenis Protest Saudi-Led Attack on Hudaydah

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The Saudi-led assault on the Yemeni port city of Hudaydah has led to mass displacement of people from the strategic area.

"Such an offensive against a city with over 600,000 inhabitants is a gross violation of international law. Yemeni officials say unless a lasting and peaceful settlement is reached, people here will fight until they die honorably," Hudaydah's Deputy Governor Abdul-Rahman al-Jomai told Press TV's correspondent.

Ahmad al-Wisabi, whose family has been forced to leave, said, "The Saudi offensive against our city and possible street battles have forced me to leave my home, and move my family to [the capital] Sana'a. I do not know how I can manage there as I have already lost my source of income here. But I do not have any other choice."

On Friday, Yemenis took to the streets in Hudaydah to vent their anger against the Saudi aggression and condemn Riyadh and its allies for bombing residential areas and killing civilians.

The protesters voiced their support to the Yemeni army and popular committees in their battle against the Saudi invaders and their mercenaries. The Saudi-led alliance has been waging a battle since June 13 to occupy the port city of al-Hudaydah, which is a key entry point for the country's humanitarian aid.

Yemen's Houthi Ansarullah movement which has been defending the country against the invaders together with its allies has, however, refused to give up the port.

In a statement, the protesters also condemned the stance of the UN on the humanitarian crisis in Hudaydah, considering the world body's silence as evidence of its complicity in the aggression and its support for the occupier.

During the protest, the deputy governor of Hudaydah, Sheikh Ali Qeshr, stressed that the province will be turned into "a graveyard for any aggressor" by Yemeni forces.

Saudi Arabia launched the war on its southern impoverished neighbor to restore its Saudi-allied former officials. Yemen's Health Ministry says more than 600,000 people have either been killed or injured during the three-year-old invasion.

The combination of the war and blockade has sparked a humanitarian crisis and brought Yemen to the edge of famine.