## Even with saleh gone yemen stands on the brink of civil war

FINN and al-Wazir 2011 ( TOM, ATIAF Tom Finn is a freelance journalist and Atiaf is a researcher and [blogger](https://webmail.wpni.com/exchweb/bin/redir.asp?URL=http://womanfromyemen.blogspot.com/). Both are based in Sanaa, Yemen. [A House Divided](http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2011/11/28/a_house_divided) President Saleh may be stepping down, but the threat of civil war is growing.NOVEMBER 28, 2011 http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2011/11/28/a\_house\_divided?page=full)

But the initial euphoria ….and a history of independence.

. Poor governance is the biggest internal link towards conflict

Barakat et al 2011 (Sultan, founding member and Director for the Post-War Reconstruction and Development Unit (PRDU) and a professor at the University of york on the edge of failure: Conflict and Crisis in Yemen, university of york june)

Indeed, weak governance …. and loss of human

## 3. Civil war triggers Yemeni economic collapse, expansion of pirate fleets, and the creation of an Al-Queda safe haven

Alley and al-Iryani 2009(April Longley and Abdul Ghani Longley Alley holds a MA in Arab Studies and a PhD in Government from Georgetown University. Dr. Alley trav-eled to Yemen on a David L. Boren Fellowship during the summer of 2004, a Fulbright IIE Grant from September 2005 to September 2006, and independently during the summer of 2007. Abdul-Ghani Al-Iryani is a businessman and a political consultant based in Sana‘a. He received an MA from Portland State University and an MPH from Boston University.Southern Aspirations and Salih’s Exasperation: The Looming Threat of Secession in South Yemen The Middle East Institute Viewpoints No. 11 June 2009 www.mei.edu/Portals/0/Publications/Yemen.pdf)

A second area …… achieving this outcome.

## Decentralization averts a civil war

Longley et al 2008(april Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Government at Georgetown University. She holds a Masters Degree in Arab Studies from Georgetown’s Center for Contemporary Arab Studies Fighting Brushfires with Batons: An Analysis of the Political Crisis in South Yemen middle east institute policy brief No7 February 2008)

The third and only …. also benefiting average Yemenis

## AND We isolate three impact scenarios

## Scenario 1 is Saudi instability

## Yemen civil war causes armed refugee spillover into Saudi Arabia- destabilizes them

Horton 2011(Michael is a Senior Analyst for Arabian Affairs at The Jamestown Foundation where he specializes on Yemen and the Horn of Africa. He also writes for Jane's Intelligence Review, Intelligence Digest, Islamic Affairs Analyst, and the Christian Science Monitor. Mr. Horton studied Middle East History and Economics at the American University of Cairo and Arabic at the Center for Arabic Language and Eastern Studies in Yemen. Michael frequently travels to Yemen, Ethiopia, and Somalia. The Unseen Hand: Saudi Arabian Involvement in Yemen March 24, 2011 http://www.jamestown.org/single/?no\_cache=1&tx\_ttnews[tt\_news]=37687&tx\_ttnews[backPid]=7&cHash=2d68e72ad976a563c017aee8cfd2ebf6)

One analyst recently speculated that if Yemen …. King Abd al-Aziz ibn Saud are certainly worth remembering.

## Saudi instability collapses the global economy

HARTMAN 2011 (BEN, reporter for *The Jerusalem Post,* the jerusalem post World economy will fall if revolts spread to S. Arabia' http://www.jpost.com/Features/InThespotlight/Article.aspx?ID=209605&R=R1) 02/24/

“If something like we have seen in Egypt or Libya happens in Saudi Arabia, we’re talking about a catastrophic scenario that will bring a global economic meltdown.”

Talking to Gal Luft about security and the effect of oil on the global economy is not for the faint of heart. The executive director of the Washington-based think tank the Institute for the Analysis of Global Security spoke to *The Jerusalem Post* on Wednesday during the fourth annual Eilat-Eilot Renewable Energy Conference, in a 45-minute conversation that described the petroleum tightrope on which the world’s economies are teetering.

“The world needs to wake up to …. same price that everybody else does; they don’t get a discount for being poor.”

### Economic decline causes war – multiple warrants and the best research flows aff

Royal, Director of Cooperative Threat Reduction at the U.S. Department of Defense, 2010

(Jedediah, “Economic Integration, Economic Signaling and the Problem of Economic Crises,” in Economics of War and Peace: Economic, Legal, and Political Perspectives, ed. Goldsmith and Brauer, p.213-215) JDB

Less intuitive is how …. here should be considered ancillary to those views.

## Scenario 2 is Al-Queda

## 1. They have the desire and technology to carry out a WMD attack

IPT News 2011 Documents Show Jihadists Seek Mass-Destruction Weapons The Investigative Project on Terrorism (IPT) is a non-profit research group founded by Steven Emerson in 1995. It is recognized as the world's most comprehensive data center on radical Islamic terrorist groups. February 18, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/2608/documents-show-jihadists-seek-mass-destruction>

Diplomatic cables released …. beyond a mere dirty bomb."

## 2. Nuclear attack by terrorist triggers global nuclear war

Speice, J.D. Candidate at the College of William and Mary, 2006

(Patrick F., “Negligence and Nuclear Nonproliferation: Eliminating the Current Liability Barrier to Bilateral U.S.-Russian Nonproliferation Assistance Programs,” William and Mary Law Review 47:4, Article 10, pg1427-1485) JDB

Accordingly, there is a significant ,,,,, of nuclear attacks against the United States or its allies

3. Bioweapons use risks extinction

Ochs 2 (Richard, Member – Chemical Weapons Working Group, “Biological Weapons Must be Abolished Immediately, 6-9, <http://www.freefromterror.net/other_articles/abolish.html>)

Of all the weapons of mass destruction….HUMAN EXTINCTION IS NOW POSSIBLE.

## Scenario 3 is small arms

## Yemen instability increases small arms trafficking

Juneau 2011 (Thomas, doctoral candidate in political science at Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada. He studied in Sanaa, Yemen, in 2007. “Yemen: Prospects for State Failure—Im- plications and Remedies,” Middle East Policy Council Journal Essay, 2011, http://www.mepc.org/journal/middle-east-policy- archives/yemen-prospects-state-failure?print. sonal.htm?id=378.

Yemen is an important …. the Yemeni Ministry of Defense.49

## Small arms are the statistically most destructive weapon of mass destruction and we have a moral imperative to curb their use

Peaceactionwest.org 2008(The conventional Weapons threat:control the illegal arms trade and ban cluster bombs Peace Action West works for smarter American approaches to global problems. If we want to address problems like war, poverty, global warming, terrorism -- the US needs to work together, cooperatively, with other nations. It also means overcoming the partisan politics and divisive rhetoric that often drown out alternatives to war.

[http://www.peaceactionwest.org/strategic\_cooperation%3A\_global\_challenges,\_21st\_century\_tools/strategic\_cooperation%3A\_global\_challenges,\_21st\_century\_tools/the\_conventional\_weapons\_threat%3A\_control\_the\_illegal\_arms\_trade\_and\_ban\_cluster\_bombs/](http://www.peaceactionwest.org/strategic_cooperation%3A_global_challenges%2C_21st_century_tools/strategic_cooperation%3A_global_challenges%2C_21st_century_tools/the_conventional_weapons_threat%3A_control_the_illegal_arms_trade_and_ban_cluster_bombs/))

Despite the grave threat ….. weapons reported as issued to Iraqi forces."8

## Advantage 2 is AQAP

First, AQAP is a growing threat despite the death of al-Awlaqi

AFP, 10/02/11.  “Qaeda in Yemen remains threat: experts.”  Hammoud Mounassar.  Staff Writer for AFP in Sanaa.  2:30 p.m. 10.02.11.  http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5i4p3L7a36jKJf41fvxtDVxU23vIQ?docId=CNG.030caf27e8be634f66c49491799ddc99.41/ {M.e. 10.02.11}

SANAA — Al-Qaeda in Yemen ….. degrading the capability of Al-Qaeda to attack us."

## Yemen is a uniquely dangerous base of operations for terrorists

Giardino October 3 (GIARDINO: Battle against American terrorists in Yemen isn’t over Carrie served as vice consul at the U.S. Embassy in Sanaa, Yemen, in 2009 and is director of strategic initiatives for IDS International)

There are tens of thousands of …. and removes any threat of an internal security threat.

## NEXT We solve 3 internal links

## 1. reforming the government to better address grievances is key to eradicating AQAP

Harris 2010 (Alistair former diplomat and UN staff member Exploiting Grievances Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula YEMEN: ON THE BRINK A Carnegie Paper Series may)

Military and law enforcement …. **for actual and perceived grievances**.

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## 2. Reframing the US-Yemeni relationship is key to progress. Military and Security assistance alone can’t solve terrorism.

 Boucek 2009 (Christopher associate in the Carnegie Middle East Program where his research focuses on security Carnegie PAPERS Yemen: Avoiding a Downward Spiral Middle East Program Number 102 September 2009)

it is essential that Washington ….. indirectly to improving domestic security.

3. Decentralized governments cannot be destabilized by terrorism.

Frey 4

(Bruno S. Frey, Simon Luechinger: Institute for Empirical Research in Economics, University of Zurich. “Decentralization as a disincentive for terror.” European Journal of Political Economy. Vol 20 (2004) 509-515)ZM

A polity with many different ….. of terrorist actions for terrorists.

## Next is our impacts

## 1. Even if the AQAP carries out an attack without weapons of mass destruction - it triggers a US invasion

[Strategic Studies Institute](http://www.defencetalk.com/author/strategicstudies/) 2011 [The Conflicts in Yemen and US National Security](http://www.defencetalk.com/the-conflicts-in-yemen-and-us-national-security-32049/)

February 15th, 2011<http://www.defencetalk.com/the-conflicts-in-yemen-and-us-national-security-32049/#ixzz1VPTJJWH2>

The difficulties associated with managing ….radicalism before the subject of intervention even arises.

## 2. Military intervention in Yemen kills any hope of a negotiated end to Iranian proliferation and starts a middle east war

Tisdall 2010 (Simon assistant editor of the Guardian and a foreign affairs columnistYemen intervention risks ripple effect If the US blunders into Yemen the whole region could suffer unintended consequences, from Israel to the Horn of Africa jan 04 <http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2010/jan/04/yemen-intervention-ripple-effect>)

The wider implications of direct ….American intervention and with it, a new desert storm.

## 3. Middle east wars causes extinction

Russell 9 (James Senior Lecturer in the Department of National Security Affairs at Nava Postgraduate School “Strategic Stability Reconsidered: Prosepects for Nuclear War and Escalation in the Middle East [www.ifri.org/downloads/PP26\_Russell\_2009.pdf](http://www.ifri.org/downloads/PP26_Russell_2009.pdf))

These systemic weaknesses in the ….. with substantial risk for the entire world.

## 4. A nuclearized Iran causes proliferation across the middle east

Eric S. Edelman et al 2011 (ERIC S. EDELMAN is a Distinguished Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments; he was U.S. Undersecretary of Defense for Policy in 2005-9. ANDREW F. KREPINEVICH is President of the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments. EVAN BRADEN MONTGOMERY is a Research Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments Foreign Affairs The Dangers of NATO a Nuclear Iran Andrew F. Krepinevich, and Evan Braden Montgomery Subtitle: The Limits of Containment January 2011 - February 2011 SECTION: Pg. 66 Vol. 90 No. 1 )

The reports of the Congressional Commission ….. exploited in pursuing a nuclear weapons capability.

## 5. This spirals into nuclear war- 6 reasons

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More important, emerging nuclear …..potentially triggering a regional nuclear war.

# PLAN TEXT:

Spiker and I stand resolved that the United States Federal Government, through USAID, should substantially increase its democratic decentralization assistance for Yemen by fostering a favorable environment for decentralization, democratic local governance local government capacity

# Solvency

## 1. The US has already pledged further support for the new yemeni government

Yobserver.com 2012(Yemen Observer Staff  USA to support Yemen's national unity government http://www.yobserver.com/local-news/10021772.html Jan 7)

The U.S. ambassador to Yemen … boost up the political process in Yemen.

**2. US signal is key – only nation capable of ensuring sufficient foreign commitment**

**Garriga and Phillips 11**

(Ana Carolina, assistant professor in the Division of Political Studies at Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economicas, Mexico, and Brian, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science at the University of Pittsburgh, “Foreign Aid and Investment in Post-Conflict Societies”, CIDE, June 2011, <http://www.cide.edu/publicaciones/status/dts/DTEP%20227.pdf>, accessed 1-6-12) JDB

While we argue that aid should not …..U**.S. aid might not have any effect** on FDI.

## 3. USaid is key to effective decentralization policies

DININIO 2000 (PHYLLIS DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNANCE SPECIALIST, WORKING WITH USAID, THE WORLD BANK, THE ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT, AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS. SHE HOLDS A PH.D. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM YALE UNIVERSITY, AN M.A. IN POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FROM THE FLETCHER SCHOOL, AND A B.A. IN ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY FROM HARVARD UNIVERSITY. USAID􏰽S EXPERIENCE IN DECENTRALIZATION AND DEMOCRATIC LOCAL GOVERNANCE, September 2000 )

As government officials and ….. and improving the welfare of local communities.

4. Creating a mechanism for power transition coalesces support and ensures a smooth transition

Al Muwaddah1 2011 (President – Center for Civic Development, CDDRL Yemen

Yemen between Regime Survival and Systemic Change Abdul Nasser 23 number 122)

 The presence of a mechanism …. it and ensure its implementation.

5. USAID will have a local, flexible response

USAID 2010 (2010-2012 Yemen Country Strategy pdf.usaid.gov/pdf\_docs/PDACP572.pdf)

The approach to implementing … the central government (of which a lack of service provision is a symptom).

## 6 . Decentralization empowers citizens

DININIO 2000 (PHYLLIS DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNANCE SPECIALIST, WORKING WITH USAID, THE WORLD BANK, THE ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT, AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS. SHE HOLDS A PH.D. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM YALE UNIVERSITY, AN M.A. IN POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FROM THE FLETCHER SCHOOL, AND A B.A. IN ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY FROM HARVARD UNIVERSITY. USAID􏰽S EXPERIENCE IN DECENTRALIZATION AND DEMOCRATIC LOCAL GOVERNANCE, September 2000 )

Based on lessons learned and ….. participatory planning and budgeting, and opinion surveys.

## 7. USaid key- 4 reasons

Dobransky 2011 (Steve is an Adjunct Professor at Cleveland State University.  He is completing his Ph.D. studies at Kent State University, majoring in International Relations and Justice Studies. March 7, 2011)

The argument against eliminating ….. without compelling reasons to do so.

Only USAID solves – long term, comprehensive studies prove

Seligson, et al. 6 – Mitchell, Centennial professor of political science, Vanderbilt University

[EFFECTS OF U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ON DEMOCRACY BUILDING: Results of a Cross-National Quantitative Study, http://www.usaid.gov/our\_work/democracy\_and\_governance/publications/pdfs/impact\_of\_democracy\_assistance.pdf]cs

First, our descriptive review….. obligations only strengthened the original finding.