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Letter dated 27 April 2020 from the Permanent Representative of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instruction from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith a statement issued by the Government of Yemen regarding the continued armed rebellion of the so-called Southern Transitional Council in the interim capital of Aden, issued on Sunday, 26 April 2020 (see annex).

I would be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated to the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

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By declaring what they termed as "self-administration of the South", the so-called southern Transitional Council (STC) are undermining all the efforts made over months to implement the Riyadh Agreement. This declaration constitutes an open rebellion against the legitimate government, a clear rejection of the Riyadh Agreement, a continuation of the August 2019 armed rebellion against the state, as well as an attempt to evade the repercussions of failing to deliver anything for the citizens of Aden who continue to suffer from crises and the lack of services following the seizure and complete disruption of state institutions and preventing the Government from performing its duties.

The Government has dealt, with full responsibility, with the repercussions of the August rebellion, positively responded to the efforts of the brotherly states to contain the repercussions of the rebellion leading to the Riyadh agreement, which the Government has endeavored to responsibly implement, carried out its duties in spite of the clear intransigence of the so-called Southern Transitional Council by obstructing and preventing the government from performing its duties. The Government has implemented all the required provisions in the military and security aspect of the agreement in accordance with the agreed upon implementation matrix, which the STC rebelled against using military force by preventing the government forces from implementing the agreement, in addition to the media campaigns that incite against the state, the brotherly states and against the Riyadh agreement.

The government holds the so-called Southern Transitional Council and its leaders fully responsible for not implementing the provisions of the Riyadh agreement leading to the complete coup against state institutions in the interim capital of Aden, and affirms the ability of the heroes and leadership of the valiant national army to defend the unity, safety, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Yemen and protect it from any schemes that aim to undermine and fragment the country under forged labels and flimsy pretexts.

The government renews its call to the brotherly states in the Coalition to Support Legitimacy to assume their historical responsibilities towards the unity and territorial integrity of the Republic of Yemen, and to support the Yemeni government and Yemeni people in protecting and preserving Yemen from any subversive plans or projects.

The government also calls on the international community, the United Nations, The Arab League, The Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the Gulf Cooperation Council to condemn this coup against the state and its institutions and support the legitimate government, to implement the Security Council resolutions affirming the unity, sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Yemen.

The government salutes the state of national consensus demonstrated by all governorates, in particular the local authorities in the southern governorates, and by all the political parties and factions and all the Yemeni people in the various governorates, who confirmed their rejection of these reckless steps. The government stresses that it will remain faithful to its people and will spare no effort to ensure the continuity of services and to maintain the safety and security of citizens and to counter the rebellion.