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#Thread: Though it's important to shed light on the ongoing humanitarian crisis in #Yemen, you could read this entire @reuters article (and most articles written about Yemen) and not know why this boy is starving or who is responsible for these conditions:

The boy travelled from Al-Jawf to Sana'a because al-Jawf is among "high intensity battlefronts" & is the target of repeated civilian airstrikes. <https://t.co/1KIIN5ixTf>

Also, roads are "damaged" because they're frequently bombed by US/Saudi airstrikes: <https://t.co/0a8XFCQEsH>

Shockingly, he's one of the lucky ones who managed to make it to a hospital.

Only 51% of health facilities are (barely) functioning: <https://t.co/GBgKXM562t>

And hospitals have been frequently targeted by airstrikes: For example: <https://t.co/3Uto5dCKYE>

International aid & donations are necessary for Faïd & millions to survive because of the Saudi/US/UAE blockade that prevents Yemenis from trade and makes them reliant on aid instead. Before the war, Yemen imported 90% of its food; now, 80% rely on aid. <https://t.co/iVF4fYAfAW>

Famine hasn't been declared because the UN faces immense pressure from its top donors, the US & Saudi, who are also causing the famine in Yemen.

The US went as far as pressuring the UN to restrict aid to Northern Yemen, where 70% of Yemenis live: <https://t.co/6Fk95cUkB9>

Speaking of donors, "significant underfunding of the 2020 aid response" is due to Saudi & UAE not fulfilling their pledges.

"Those who. made the largest pledges...have so far paid only a modest proportion of what they promised." - [@UNReliefChief](#)

<https://t.co/KNgQCoOO8G>

Now, the Trump administration may designate the Houthis as a foreign terrorist organization, which would result in mass deaths: <https://t.co/crLXjskWPp>

I've said this for years, but in the case of Yemen, there's significant underreporting & misreporting. Read almost any article about #Yemen and you'll be confused about the agents & the causes.

[@AkbarSAhmed's](#) recent article is an exception. Please read it <https://t.co/jlqso2dT4B>

6 years into the US/Saudi war, most US-Americans still don't know that our government (under Obama & Trump) provides the weapons Saudi & UAE use, helps impose the blockade that's starving Yemenis, trains Saudi & UAE forces, & so much more.

This must stop <https://t.co/v4LTwclqaf>

Here's what folks could do to help:

1. Write to your paper to help people understand US complicity
2. Organize with [@Jehan_Hakim](#), [@masspeaceaction](#) & others: <https://t.co/Lh73ngOJLt>
3. Donate: <https://t.co/uPutGXfPnt>
4. Follow [@HassanEITayyab](#) & [@ErikSperling](#) for political actions