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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/1KlIN5ixTf

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 Faid & 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/jIqso2dT4B

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/v4LTwcIqaf

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 @HassanElTayyab & @ErikSperling for political actions