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THREAD

1)

Newsweek — #Iran has sent deadly "Shahed-136 suicide/kamikaze drones" to the Houthis in #Yemen. These advanced UAVs are deployed to the Houthi-controlled northern Yemeni province of Al-Jawf.

More reason why the West should not appease Tehran.

<https://t.co/gtNDCGbtQs>



2)

#Iran has long provided drones to the Houthis

March 22, 2017

“... seven Houthi Qasef-1 drones and one drone engine recovered by forces from the UAE. Six of the drones were captured in October on a known Iranian smuggling route that runs through Oman...”

<https://t.co/HQqQYMQDGV>

3)

US to designate #Iran-backed Houthis in #Yemen as a foreign terrorist org (FTO)

<https://t.co/ILBCg3Pfvs>

Iran's IRGC long funded/armed/trained/provided for the Houthis.

Dec 30—Missile attack on Aden airport. Yemen gov holds Houthis responsible.



4)

#Iran provides at least \$360 million, ballistic missiles, other ordnance, technology and training to the Houthis in Yemen.

<https://t.co/50SpWuT7W3>

5)

The Houthis recently claimed responsibility for a missile attack targeting Saudi Arabia's Aramco oil fields.

6)

Here's footage of Houthi militias in Yemen targeting a UN aid truck.



7)
Yemen

#Iran-backed Houthi militias performing Nazi-style ceremony

"Death to America"
"Death to Israel"
"A curse upon the Jews"



8)
Iran's apologists/lobbyists are quick to condemn a U.S. move to designate the Houthis as a terrorist org.

@tparsi, founder of Tehran's DC-based lobby arm @NIACouncil

@alivaez, a known protégé of former Iranian regime president Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani



Trita Parsi ✓
@tparsi

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The @QuincyInst agrees!

ICG: The U.S. Should Reverse Its Huthi Terror Designation

crisisgroup.org/middle-east-no... via @crisisgroup



The U.S. Should Reverse Its Huthi Terror Designation

The outgoing Trump administration has designated Yemen's Huthi rebels a terrorist organisation. Proponents argue the measure will provide leverage with ...

crisisgroup.org

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9)

MSM carefully plays its role of whitewashing the crimes of the #Iran-backed Houthi terrorists by labeling them as a "movement."

@nytimes
@AJEnglish
@reuters
@FRANCE24

#FakeNews

The New York Times

U.S. to Declare Yemen's Houthis a Terrorist Group, Raising Fears of Fueling a Famine

The State Department's terrorist designation may be more symbolic than searing for the rebel **movement**, but it could aggravate Yemen's human catastrophe.