

**Yemen: Civilians should not be hostage to ongoing armed clashes**

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Since 18 September, 2014, the Yemeni capital, Sanaa, has been the scene of intense and deadly clashes between Houthi armed groups , and on the other hand army forces and anti-Houthi armed groups including forces affiliated to the al-Islah political party. Houthi armed groups seem to have gained control of the city, without apparent intervention of security forces. The Ministry of Health has put forth the number of 200 casualties, and 461 injuries as a direct result of the armed clashes [ [1](#) ] and hundreds families have been displaced.

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