

Millions of Yemenis edging closer to famine and disease, charity says

A charity has warned that millions of Yemenis are edging closer to famine and fatal disease one year after a Saudi-led coalition imposed a blockade on sea, land and air routes into the Arab world's poorest country.

Jan Egeland of the Norwegian Refugee Council said "the past 12 months have been a never-ending nightmare for Yemeni civilians".

The Saudi-led coalition fighting Iran-backed Shia Houthi rebels had restricted access to Yemen in November last year after a missile assault by rebels targeted the Saudi capital, Riyadh.



The war has been ongoing since 2015 (AP)

The coalition has been at war with the Houthis since March 2015 in a conflict that has generated the world's worst humanitarian crisis.

The Norwegian charity said the war has left 12 million people at imminent risk of descending into famine.

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