

## Bonnie Shindelman

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In the last few weeks, we have seen multiple attacks against the United Arab Emirates originating from the Iranian-backed Houthis in Yemen. Early last year, President Biden removed the Houthis' designation as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO). Since this designation was revoked the number of Houthi attacks against predominately civilian targets has dramatically increased. In more recent weeks, the Houthis have seized a UAE-flagged vessel and successfully launched a drone attack in Abu Dhabi that killed three civilians. On January 24th, 2022, the Houthis escalated their attacks by launching two ballistic missiles toward UAE bases shared with American troops.

The UAE is committed to making sure the Yemeni people have access to food, medicine and other necessities and has donated more than \$6 billion in assistance to the people of Yemen. The Biden Administration has ample tools to safeguard the humanitarian needs of the Yemeni people after a redesignation of the Houthis as a Foreign Terrorist Organization.

Rep Moulton is sending the attached letter to the Biden Administration urging the re-designation of the Houthis as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO). I would appreciate if you would sign on to this letter. The deadline is COB Thursday, February 3. The POC in Seth Moulton's office is [Candace.Esquivel@mail.house.gov](mailto:Candace.Esquivel@mail.house.gov).

Thank you very much.

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