

UK condemns Houthi intrusion into the US Embassy compound in Yemen and the detention of US staff

News story

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Following [the statement from the members of the UN Security Council](#), the UK strongly condemns the recent and continued Houthi intrusion into the US Embassy compound in Sana'a and the detention of US staff.

We call for the immediate return of US staff to their families, and for an end to the harassment and restrictions on movement of embassy staff. We urge the Houthis to withdraw immediately from the premises, and to return all seized property.

The protection and respect for diplomatic premises and staff are fundamental principles in the 1961 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations and the 1963 Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. International agreements must be respected.

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