United Nations Reviewing Whether Saudi Arabia Is Killing Children in Yemen War



United Nations, August 9 (RHC)-- U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has said he will continue to review whether to keep Saudi Arabia's military on a U.N. list of militaries that kill children.

The United Nations placed Saudi Arabia on the list last month over its conduct in Yemen. The Saudis complained, and Ban told them to provide evidence that they were taking steps to prevent child casualties.

Ban Ki-moon defended the decision, saying: "The content of the report stands. Let me be clear: The report and its annexes may cause discomfort, but that is not the goal in itself. Our aim is to protect the children in danger by ensuring concrete change."

The United Nations says the U.S.-backed, Saudi-led bombing campaign in Yemen killed at least 500 children last year.

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