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Spain closed its embassy in Yemen

Given the deterioration of the situation

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USPA NEWS - The Spanish Government has decided to temporarily close its embassy in Yemen because the growing insecurity in the African country. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has recommended to the small Spanish colony in Yemen to leave the country.

The closure of the Spanish diplomatic representation in Sanaa, Yemen's capital, occurs when the African country is in a climate of violence that threatens to escalate into civil war declared. The serious political situation was reported last week by UN special envoy Jamal Benomar, who accused the two warring parties, the huthies forces that captured the capital in September 2014, pushing the democratically elected government, and Sunni militias and Al Qaeda fighters, to contribute to political and economic malaise that according UN representative, leads the country into chaos.

"Spain is confident that the causes that motivated this decision be resolved in the short term and its embassy could soon resume its normal functions," the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs said in a statement. "The government reiterates its support for a process of democratic transition in Yemen leading to the formation of an inclusive government that can fulfill the wishes of freedom, democracy and prosperity of the Yemeni people," the statement added.

The serious situation in Yemen concern to the international community. Yemen is bordered by Saudi Arabia and it is in this area where Al Qaeda has one of its most active cells. They fight against Sunni militants, who also face the huthíes advancing from the north. A tribal war that threatens to destabilize the region. "We believe that the situation is very dangerous. Yemen is on the brink of civil war," Benomar said last week in an interview with Al Arabiya television and Al Hadath. In this situation, Spain has decided to close its embassy and advise the Spanish residents in Yemen to leave the country to decrease violence.

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