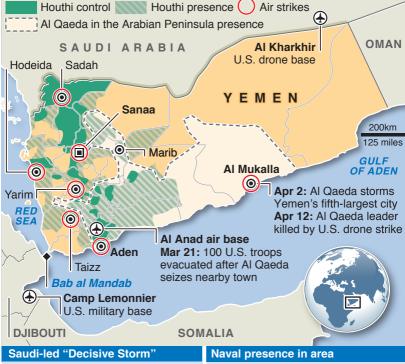
## **U.S.** widens role in Yemen conflict

The U.S. is expanding its support for Saudi-led airstrikes against Houthi rebels with aerial refuelling of warplanes, supply of precision-guided weapons, intelligence sharing, and resumption of drone strikes



## Saudi Arabia: 100 aircraft including F-15s, Tornado IDS, Typhoons and

support aircraft. 150,000 troops United Arab Emirates: 30 F-16E/F

Desert Falcons and Mirage 2000s **Kuwait:** 15 F/A-18 Hornet fighters

Bahrain: 12 F-16 Fighting Falcons

Qatar: 10 Mirage 2000s

Jordan: Six F-16s Morocco: Six F-16s

Sudan: 3 Sukhoi Su-24 Fencers

**Egypt:** Four warships to Red Sea

Iran Navy: Larak warship, Alborz quided-missile destroyer

and Bushehr helicopter carrier patrolling Gulf of Aden

United States: Carrier Strike

USS Theodore Roosevelt, missile cruiser USS Normandy, destroyers

USS Farragut and USS Forrest

Group including aircraft carrier

USS Winston S. Churchill.

Sherman in Gulf of Aden

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