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SANAA (AP) - Security officials say Yemeni forces have killed two suspected al-Qaida militants in a raid outside the capital. The officials say security forces attacked a group of militants, which included Nazeeh al-Hanaq, a senior figure on Yemen's most wanted list. The clash took place on Monday as the militants were moving through the mountainous area of Arhab. They say al-Hanaq escaped but two fighters with him were killed in the clashes. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to the press.