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الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Refugees Denounce Mistreatment by LibanPost"

- Palestinian Woman, Her Children Released by Kidnappers in Syria
- Over 300 Palestinian Refugees Missing in War-Torn Syria
- Residents of Jaramana Camp Call for Urgent Action in Response to Traffic Accidents
- Civilians Call On Syrian Authorities to Extend Time Span of Debris-Clearance



## **Latest Developments**

Palestinian refugees from Syria in Lebanon denounced the mistreatment they have faced at LibanPost during UNRWA aid delivery.

Staff of LibanPost handed over the refugees' cash aid in the old USD bills which have a lower exchange rate.

Recently, a poll was carried out by UNRWA about the performance of change offices and the refugees' satisfaction. The refugees showed dismay at UNRWA's lack of control over the aid delivery procedures.

In another development, Palestinian refugee Nariman Abdul Rahim and her children Abdul Rahman, 13, Mohamed, 6, Sahar, and Soumaya were released on an arson of 3,000 USD by gangsters who kidnapped them a few days earlier.

Nariman and her children are sheltered in AlNeirab Camp for Palestinian refugees, in the northern Syrian province of Aleppo. They were kidnapped on their way to Lebanon.

Along similar lines, 333 Palestinian refugees, including 37 women and girls, have gone missing since the outbreak of the Syrian warfare, AGPS has found out.

Most of those who have disappeared in the country are residents of Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Damascus.



Activists have accused pro-government militias of targeting Palestinians in arbitrary abduction sweeps carried out under the security guise. Scores of families have been blackmailed over the release of their missing relatives and have paid large sums of money to brokers, crooked lawyers, or government officials to get pieces of information about their conditions and whereabouts.

AGPS believes that the number is far higher due to the gag orders enforced by the Syrian authorities on the detainees' fates and names, along with the reluctance of the refugee families to reveal the names of their deceased or missing relatives for fear of retaliation.

AGPS believes that the arbitrary internment and enforced disappearance of Palestinian refugees in war-torn Syria amounts to a war crime.

Affidavits by ex-detainees provided evidence on the involvement of Syrian government officers in harsh torture tactics, including electric shocks, heavy beating using whips and iron sticks, and sexual abuse against forcibly-disappeared Palestinians, in a flagrant violation of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, commonly known as the United Nations Convention against Torture (UNCAT).

AGPS continues to urge the Syrian government to disclose the fate of scores of Palestinians forcibly disappeared in state-run dungeons, release the bodies of those tortured to death, seriously work on halting harsh torture tactics, launch fact-finding probes



into crimes of torture, and to bring those involved in such crimes before courts.

Meanwhile, residents of Jaramana camp for Palestinian refugees, in Rif Dimashq, demanded the construction of a bridge for pedestrians and speed bumps to limit vehicle speed on the highway to Damascus International Airport.

Several deadly accidents took place in the area. Recently, young man Ahmed Saleh was fatally hit by a car driving at high speed on the highway.

In the meantime, residents of Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Damascus, appealed to the Syrian authorities to extend the deadline of rubble-clearance works in the area.

Mounds of debris continue to be spotted everywhere across the ravaged Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, blocking civilians' access to their homes and property.

Some three years ago, precisely on April 19, 2018, Syrian regime forces and their Russian allies showered the camp with missiles and mortars, resulting in dozens of deaths among Palestinian refugees and hundreds of injuries.

Over 60% of buildings and facilities in Yarmouk Camp have been reduced to rubble and civilian homes razed to the ground.