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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Syrian Authorities Grant Access Permits to Yarmouk Camp Residents"

- Assassination Attempt Reported in AlMuzeireeb
- Palestinian Refugee Child in Turkey Receives Humanitarian Aid
- Migrant Boat Rescued by Cyprus Authorities, Another Pushed Back
- Palestinian Brothers Omar and Bahaa Zaaza' Secretly Held in Syrian Dungeons



Latest Developments

The Syrian authorities issued permits greenlighting the entry of a number of displaced families and shopkeepers to Yarmouk Camp.

Recently, dozens of Palestinian families presented their ownership documents at government-run checkpoints near the main entrance to Yarmouk Camp, in Damascus, so as to get permits to return to the area and retrieve their houses and property.

Unofficial statistics indicate that some 200 families have remained in Yarmouk Camp. Scores of stranded families fled the camp following the 33-day military operation launched by the government forces on April 19, 2018.

The Syrian government forces regained control over the area and southern Damascus towns following the operation. Dozens of civilians were killed and dozens more injured in the offensive. Over 60% of buildings in Yarmouk have gone either totally or partially destroyed.

Last year, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) published the results of an assessment of the damage to Syrian cities caused by seven years of relentless bombardment by the incumbent regime and its allies since 2011.

The analysis found out that as many as 5,489 buildings were destroyed in Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees. The damage atlas used satellite-detected damage analysis to identify buildings that are either destroyed, or severely or moderately damaged.



In another development, Palestinians taking shelter in AlMuzeireeb town have expressed deep concern over the security situation in the area after reports have emerged on a new assassination attempt targeting local resident Mohamed Kasem AlSubeihi.

Activists have accused pro-government militias of assassinating opposition affiliates south of Syria in violation of the reconciliation accords struck between the two sides.

A resident said dozens of assassination operations have targeted Palestinian refugees in the area.

AGPS has documented the death of dozens of Palestinian refugees in AlMuzeireeb town, home to 1,700 Palestinian families displaced from Daraa Camp.

Meanwhile, the family of disabled Palestinian child from Syria Ahmad Assaad, aged 14, said volunteers and activists managed to secure an electric wheelchair for their hemiplegic child, days after they launched an appeal for urgent humanitarian action via AGPS.

The family, displaced from Yarmouk Camp and currently seeking shelter in Izmir, said the wheelchair costs 600 USD. Ahmad's brother suffers the same disease.

Unofficial data indicates that 22,000 Palestinian refugees have sought shelter in Turkey, including 8,000 to 10,000 Palestinians who fled war-ravaged Syria.



In another development, seven migrants boarding a boat from Lebanon were rescued by the Cyprian coast guard.

Marine police patrol boats were dispatched to the area and after locating the vessel they escorted it to Limassol Port.

The Cyprian authorities also pushed back another migrant boat from Lebanon.

In the meantime, Palestinian brothers Omar Adnan Zaaza' and Bahaa Adnan Zaaza' have been held in Syrian government prisons for over six years running.

Omar was kidnapped by the Syrian government forces in February 2014 from his workplace in Jaramana, in Rif Dimashq. Bahaa was detained on October 26, 2013 as he passed through a government-run checkpoint in Rif Dimashq. Their condition and whereabouts remain unknown.

AGPS documented the secret incarceration of 1,797 Palestinian refugees in Syrian government penitentiaries.