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الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Rally Held in Northern Syria in Solidarity with Jerusalem, Sheikh Jarrah"

- Over 90% of Property in Yarmouk Camp Subjected to Theft
- Palestinian Youth Subjected to Fraud in Syria Displacement Camp
- Palestinian Refugee Ghassan AlBeiki Forcibly Disappeared by Syrian Regime
- Palestinian Refugees Threatened with Deportation from Denmark Launch Distress Calls



Latest Developments

Dozens of Palestinians displaced from Deir Ballout and AlMuhammadiya north of Syria have joined protests held on Sunday in solidarity with residents of occupied east Jerusalem neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah and worshipers at AlAqsa Mosque.

Palestinian refugees who joined the rally held the Israeli occupation authorities accountable for the ethnic cleansing and forcible transfer of Palestinians from their homes in Jerusalem, calling on the international community to urgently step in and hold Israel to account.

In one incident, last Friday, Israeli police injured more than 200 Palestinians, after authorities cracked down while Palestinians worshippers gathered for prayers at Al-Aqsa mosque in East Jerusalem during Ramadan, the holiest month of the year for Muslims, Israeli newspaper Haaretz reported. Many of the worshippers stayed on after prayers to protest in support of Palestinians currently facing evictions at the hands of Israeli settlers.

In another development, a poll conducted by AGPS about the reconstruction of Yarmouk Camp showed that civilian property and abandoned structures have been subjected to theft and burglary.

93.% of respondents said their property and houses were ransacked/stolen. However, they still want to go back to the camp



and retrieve their property due to the exorbitant house rents and loss of livelihoods.

AGPS has recently published a new report comprising the findings of the opinion poll about the reconstruction of Yarmouk Camp and the developments which occurred in the area after they Syrian government recaptured it.

264 people participated in the poll between March 15 - 31. The poll is made up of ten questions about the situation in Yarmouk Camp, the destruction wrought upon it, and civilians' standpoint regarding reconstruction projects.

Palestinian families continue to call on the concerned authorities to allow them a safe return to their homes in Yarmouk Camp, in Damascus, and to press ahead with reconstruction projects.

Most of Palestinian families taking shelter south of Damascus fled Yarmouk as a result of the tough blockade imposed by the government troops and also after ISIS grabbed hold of the camp on April 1, 2015.

Scores of other stranded families fled the camp following the 33-day military operation launched by the government forces on April 19, 2018. The Syrian government regained control over the camp and southern Damascus towns following the military operation. Dozens of civilians were killed and dozens more injured. Over 80% of buildings have gone either totally or partially destroyed.



In the meantime, a resident of AlNeirab Camp, in Aleppo, has received counterfeit money from an exchange party to whom he headed to exchange a sum of 300 USD.

The sum was slated to be paid to Syria Central Bank in Aleppo to renew the travel document

Of his sister, who is currently in Germany.

The Central Bank told him that 200 USD are fake.

In another development, Palestinian refugee Ghassan Ezzet AlBreiki has been secretly held in Syrian state prisons for the fifth consecutive year.

A resident of AlMuzeireeb town, Ghassan was arrested by the government forces in Daraa on September 25, 2016.

According to AGPS data, over 1,790 Palestinian refugees continue to face mysterious conditions in Syrian government prisons, among them 108 women and girls.

In another development, Danish authorities have given orders to a number of refugees from Syria to return to Damascus, to a home that no longer stands, in a neighbourhood destroyed by the war and often shut off to former residents.

"I do not know what is left to go back to. How can I protect my children there?" a refugee told Mshleem, one of more than 100



Syrians living in Denmark who have effectively lost their refugee status, told the Guardian in an article published on Sunday.

Denmark has become the first European nation not to renew residency permits for the refugees, claiming some areas of Syria are now safe for families to return to. The decision stunned and terrified Syrians in Denmark, who have many reasons to fear going home.

The Guardian said that the war is still raging in parts of Syria, which authorities in Copenhagen have tacitly recognised by giving political asylum to all men whose age would make them vulnerable to forced conscription.

The feared Syrian police apparatus, which helped spur the 2011 uprising against Assad, and tortured and murdered throughout the war, is still thriving. The economy is in free fall, making it hard for returnees, who are generally considered politically suspect, to find work or feed their family.

For the many Syrians who fled from opposition strongholds around the capital, there is another pressing reason not to return. The war and actions by the Syrian state have effectively rendered them homeless – through demolition and redevelopment plans for Damascus neighbourhoods where they once lived.

Since Copenhagen does not have diplomatic relations with Damascus it cannot directly deport people to Syria. At least some of the rejected applicants have been placed in a departure centre,



which campaigners said amounted to a prison where residents could not work, study or get proper healthcare.