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Media Chief: AGPS Has Been at Forefront of Human Rights Struggle by Palestinian Refugees in/from War-Torn Syria

- Palestinian Refugee in Germany Denies War Crime Accusation
- Palestinian Refugee Contributes to Gyrocopters Manufacture in Turkey
- In-Kind Aid Distributed in Hindarat Refugee Camp



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Latest Developments

The Action Group for Palestinians of Syria (AGPS) has been actively committed to and engaged in documenting the situation of Palestinian refugees all the way through the conflict in war-torn Syria, said AGPS media chief Fayez Abu Eid.

In a statement released on the 10th anniversary of AGPS founding, Abu Eid said since AGPS saw the day in October 2012, it has been producing fact-based material rooted in real data compiled by a team of professional journalists, on-the-spot reporters, news correspondents, veterans, and local activists.

"We are dedicated to bringing the news of the Palestinians of Syria and the human rights violations perpetrated against them to a wide audience without bias or a political agenda", said Abu Eid. "As warfare drags on in war-torn Syria, AGPS staff members have taken it upon their shoulders to keep a moment-by-moment record of latest developments in Palestinian refugee camps in Syria".

"Speaking the truth, propagating the truth, and documenting the truth are, therefore, the key guiding lines for our mission", added Abu Eid. "In seeking to fulfill this goal, AGPS team does its best to uphold the finest standards of historiographic ethics and maintain honesty in sourcing. We are reshaping global media on human rights documentation and relentlessly working to boost our status as one of the world's most revered and most consulted human rights observatories".

AGPS media chief said that the group's strength "is a team of highly experienced and dedicated field correspondents, journalists, and activists scattered all over the world".

In another development, another trial was held in Berlin on December o8 against Palestinian refugee Moufeq Daouah who has been accused of committing war crimes in Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Damascus.

Human rights sources quoted Moufeq as saying he was himself a victim of war crimes in Syria as his sister and nephew were killed by AlNusra Front.



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The public prosecutor refused Moufeq's claims, saying videos and photos provide unequivocal evidence on his presence in the camp between 2013-2014.

Palestinian refugee Mofeq AlDaouah, a military commander at the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command (PFLP-GC), affiliated with the Syrian regime, has been accused of involvement in rape crimes against women in Yarmouk Camp and in a massacre against civilians at Ali AlWahsh checkpoint.

He is also held accountable for unleashing an RPG-7 missile targeting civilians during aid distribution in late March 2014 in retaliation for the death of his relative in clashes with opposition outfits in Yarmouk Camp. At least 17 people were killed and dozens injured in the attack.

Last year, an eyewitness who spoke on condition of anonymity confirmed his willingness to deliver his testimony about Moufeq's crimes before courts and concerned judicial bodies.

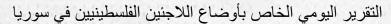
Another witness said Moufeq had been a commander at the Free Palestine Movement, affiliated with the Syrian regime, adding that he had been involved in assaults on Yarmouk Camp and bombardment of civilian structures.

Scores of Palestinian youths have been forced to join progovernment battalions in Syria. Those who refuse forced conscription are often subjected to manhunt and imprisonment.

In the meantime, Palestinian refugee Sai'd Ahmed Mashour has been actively engaged in the manufacture of gyrocopters at a factory run by Bilginar Aircraft Industry Corporation, in the southern Turkish city of Mersin.

Ahmed, who was raised in Aleppo, north of Syria, said in an interview that he is an assistant mechanical engineer and has been working in the factory for nearly a year to develop an electric autogyrocopter.

Chairwoman of the Board of Directors of the Bilginar Corporation, Tunju Ay Demir, said Turkey welcomes creative engineers and workers from Syria, adding that the auto gyrocopter project has been sponsored by a Syrian businessman.





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In another development, Oxfam International distributed 600 healthcare kits to vulnerable families living in Ain al-Tal camp (Handarat) for Palestinian refugees in Aleppo, north of Syria.

Handarat Camp (also called Ein AlTel Camp) is located to the northeast of Aleppo's Hill, overseeing the Turkey-bound traffic lanes. It stands on a rocky hill and is situated some 13 kilometers away from the city center.

According to data by the General Commission of Arab Palestinian Refugees in Syria, some 8,000 Palestinian refugees used to take shelter in Handarat Camp. Only 200 displaced families returned to the camp following the heavy onslaughts launched by the Syrian government battalions.