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## الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"2 Palestinians Killed in Turkish Attack on Pro-Regime Battalion in Syria"

- PLO Official Calls On UN to Assist Palestinian Refugees in Syria
- Palestinian Refugees in Lebanon Push for Increasing UN Aid
- Health Condition of Palestinian Refugee Child in Turkey Gets Better
- Palestinian Refugee Yusef AlKubra Forcibly Disappeared in Syrian Prisons



## **Latest Developments**

Two members of Liwaa AlQuds brigade, affiliated with the Syrian regime, were killed after a rocket fired by Turkish forces targeted a military site in Ein Jara, in Aleppo's western outskirts.

The two casualties were identified by Liwaa AlQuds as Muayad Saad AlDeen, from Handarat refugee camp, and Muw'awiya Abu Hasan, from AlNeirab camp.

Calls continue to be circulated by Liwaa AlQuds brigade, affiliated with the Syrian government forces, to push for military conscription.

Activists have accused the armed group of forcing Palestinian youths taking shelter in refugee camps across Syria to join progovernment military squads, taking profit from their dire economic conditions.

Nearly 7,000 gunmen are enlisted at Liwaa AlQuds brigade, among them 800 Palestinian refugees taking shelter in refugee camps across the Syrian territories.

AGPS kept record of the death of over 90 Palestinian refugees as they fought alongside Liwaa AlQuds forces since 2013.





In another development, Director-General of the political department of the Palestine Liberation Organization, ambassador Anwar Abdul Hadi, called on UNRWA and the international community to increase humanitarian aid to Palestinian refugees in the war-torn country.

He said due to defunding of UNRWA, the UN Agency has decreased its aid and cut vital services for Palestinian refugees.

After ten years of conflict, Palestinian refugees in and from Syria continue to face significant humanitarian and protection needs.

In the absence of a durable political settlement, intense hostilities and violence resulting in deaths and injuries, internal displacement, loss of livelihoods, decreases in the provision of public services, and extensive damage to civilian infrastructure have disrupted the lives of civilians and forced thousands to become internally displaced.



UN data indicates that as many as 120,000 Palestine refugees have fled war-stricken Syria since 2011, including 28,000 to Lebanon.

The Syrian conflict has impacted Palestine refugees inside and outside the Syrian territories. There used to be 560'000 countrywide, mainly in Aleppo, Homs, Hama, Latakia, Damascus and Deraa.

According to the UN, today, some 440,000 Palestine refugees remain in Syria, more than half of them are internally displaced, and nearly all require sustained humanitarian assistance.

Along similar lines, Palestinian activists urged UNRWA to increase cash grants to Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon, where they have been facing squalid humanitarian conditions.

UNRWA has identified PRS in Lebanon as one of the most marginalized and poorest communities in the region.

In its 2020 Syria crisis emergency appeal, UNRWA said that PRS in Lebanon continue to face high vulnerability and marginalization, making them heavily reliant on UNRWA humanitarian support to cover their basic needs. The socioeconomic hardships and unrest experienced by the country have compounded PRS' already dire living conditions.

According to a survey conducted by the American University of Beirut in 2015, nearly 90 percent of the PRS population in Lebanon live in poverty, including 9 per cent who are in extreme



poverty and unable to meet even their most essential food requirements.

PRS's vulnerability is further compounded by their precarious legal status. The lack of a valid legal status, often coupled with outdated civil registration documents, results in severely restricted freedom of movement for some PRS in Lebanon due to fear of arrest, detention or forced deportation.

Meanwhile, the family of a Palestinian refugee child called Joud said their child's health has improved after he received treatment at a Turkish hospital.

Last week, Joud's father appealed to the international Red Cross and Red Crescent organizations, among other international humanitarian institutions, to help him secure funds needed to treat his preterm infant.

The father, displaced from Syria's Yarmouk Camp and currently taking shelter in the Turkish province of Mersin, said his child was transferred to a childcare unit where he receives artificial ventilation after he was diagnosed with renal failure.

The father hardly managed to pay for childbirth costs and six-day healthcare services for his newborn. Medics said the child needs to stay at the hospital after his health took a turn for the worse.

The hospital administration required a sum of 5,400 Turkish pounds for six hospitalization days, amounting to 750 USD. The sum far outlives the family's cash-strapped budget.



In the meantime, Palestinian refugee Yusuf AlKubra, a resident of AlNeirab Camp, in Aleppo, has been secretly detained in Syrian government prisons for the 8th consecutive year.

Yusuf, affiliated with the Islamic Jihad Movement in Palestine, was arrested near Bab AlSharki, in Damascus, on August 15, 2012.

AGPS documented the secret detention of 1,797 Palestinian refugees in Syrian government prisons, among them dozens of women and girls.