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"Deraa Camp for Palestinian Refugees Cordoned Off by Syrian Regime"

- Yarmouk's Displaced Families Denounce Apathy by Palestinian Actors in Syria
- UNRWA Seeks Cooperation with Syrian Authorities
- 420 Members of PFLP-GC Pronounced Dead in Syria Conflict
- Palestinian Engineer Wahdan AlRawashdha Secretly Held in Syrian State Prison for 7th Year

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Latest Developments

Syrian security forces have tightened military grip around Deraa and its outskirts, south of Syria.

Local sources told AGPS that all access roads to the city centre have been blocked except for the Sajneh road, where three military checkpoints have been pitched.

Palestinian refugees have expressed concerns over a new wave of forced military conscription and arbitrary manhunts in the area.

In another development, residents of Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Damascus, have slammed the apathy maintained by Palestinian political factions regarding the dire humanitarian condition in the camp.

In a poll conducted by AGPS, 77.3% of the respondents leveled heavy criticism at the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). Only 2.2% acclaimed the PLO's position.

52.9% said they are suspicious of the Syrian governments' pledges to reconstruct the camp; Only 18.6% showed signs of optimism.

Last month, AGPS published a new report comprising the findings of an opinion poll about the reconstruction of Yarmouk Camp and the developments which occurred in the area after the Syrian government recaptured it.



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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.

Meanwhile, UNRWA's Director of Syria Operations met with the Minister of Local Administration and Environment Husain Makhoul.

The meeting comes as part of ongoing attempts by UNRWA to boost cooperation with the Syrian government in order to enhance vital services for Palestinian refugees sheltered in the war-torn country.



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The two sides discussed the latest developments regarding Yarmouk Camp and underway efforts to ease civilians' return to the camp and salvage their property.

In another development, AGPS has documented the death of hundreds of members of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine – General Command (PFLP – GC) as they fought alongside the Syrian government forces across war-torn Syrian, mostly in Yarmouk Camp.

Sometime earlier, PFLP – GC's Deputy Secretary-General, Talal Naji, told Sputnik news site that 420 PFLP – GC gunmen were killed and 800 others wounded since the outburst of the Syrian war.

PFLP-GC is a Palestinian nationalist militant organization based in Syria. It was founded in 1968 by Ahmed Jibril after splitting from the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) based on claims that it was producing impotent intellectuals, and not making any meaningful progress in terms of armed struggle to liberate occupied Palestine.

In the meantime, Palestinian engineer Wahdan Abdullah AlRawashdeh has been enduring a mysterious fate in Syrian government prisons, where he has been locked up for over seven years running.

Wahdan was kidnapped from his home in Jdeidat Artouz, in Rif Dimashq, on January 3, 2013. He is a retired colonel from the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) in Syria.



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AGPS kept record of the secret detention of 1,797 Palestinians, including 110 women and girls, in Syrian state-run prisons, where over 600 other refugees have also died under torture.