

# التقرير اليومي الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

### Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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"AGPS: We have documented 3089 Victims and 1089 Arrestees until the End of 2015"



- Clashes inside Al-Yarmouk Camp, and debates regarding the evacuation of ISIS members.
- PLO's aid distribution in the presence of Syrian Security forces raises the indignation of refugees southern Syria.
- The Lebanese General Security extends the deadline given to Palestinian-Syrians to renew their residence permits.
- The Syrian Security continues arresting the Palestinian man "Mohammad Barghouth" and keeps reticent about his fate.

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#### **Statistics**

The AGPS confirmed documenting (3089) Palestinian-Syrian victims until the end of 2015, 427 refugees have died under torture in prisons of the Syrian Regime, and (184) others died because of the siege imposed by the Syrian regime's army, and groups of the PFLP-GC on the Yarmouk camp in Damascus.

The AGPS also documented (1028) Palestinian prisoners in branches and prisons of the Syrian Security, the AGPS indicated that it will publish the Statistical detailed report about Palestinian victims in Syria in the coming days, which will include the distribution of victims over Syrian cities and provinces and the Palestinian refugee camps in Syria, in addition to the reasons that led to death.

The report also will include indexing according to the geographical distribution either inside or outside Syria.





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#### **RECENT UPDATES**

Violent clashes took place, the day before yesterday, between the Syrian regime's army and its loyal militias on the one hand and the Al-Nusra Front on the other hand in Palestine Street in Al-Yarmouk Camp, that happened after Al-Nusra groups sets the attack on ambushes of the Regime near the Municipality and its surroundings, coincided with heavy shelling targeted the same area.

This comes amid widespread media and public controversy regarding the evacuation of armed ISIS and Al-Nusra members from the camp, and the possible handing over to the pro-regime Palestinian factions.

Media sources close to the Syrian regime, said that the militants exit of the Al-Yarmouk camp will be in any moment within 72 hours, and that the Palestinian factions in Damascus will form a joint operations room to protect the camp after the departure of the militants, according to them.

While a number of the Al-Yarmouk camp residents expressed their indignation of this status saying: "After all the sacrifices and the siege and hunger; the camp is simply handed over to the regime?!". The Camp's people blamed the armed opposition groups "who were scattered and did not work for the benefit of the camp like the neighboring areas, which, despite the presence of several armed formations, they worked together for the benefit of their hometowns", as they expressed.

Some others wondered about "who will take control of the camp in case ISIS left? what is the danger that could possibly happen to the inhabitants of the camp youth and men especially if the regime or its affiliated militias took control of the camp?".



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On the other hand the Palestine Liberation Organization PLO has raised the wrath of the people and the Palestinian families southern Syria, after their members tried to distribute small financial aid to the Palestinian refugees in Daraa in the presence of Syrian Security agents, and after a long absence and silence about the displacement and the shelling and the siege the people were exposed to.



A number of families assured that the distribution process was attended by Syrian security forces, and the aid distributed only in the presence of the head of the family personally, which indicates exposing many of the Palestinian refugees from Daraa areas to high risk of arrest or killing, whether they are wanted to the Syrian security or to the compulsorily military service in the pro-regime Palestinian Liberation Army PLA.

People of Daraa camp and Muzeireeb complained of the complete absence of any aid or attempts to help them not being targeted by shelling, by the UNRWA or the PLO, noting that for the day (618) the Syrian regime still cuts off the running water, and about (70 %) of the



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buildings are destroyed by the Syrian war machine, while the regime continues to bomb Al-Muzeireeb Town.

The AGPS has documented 330 victims from Palestinian-Syrians in Daraa province who died since the start of the war.

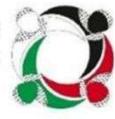
Turning to Lebanon; the Lebanese Directorate of General Security extended renewing residency permits deadline for Palestinian-Syrian refugees up to 13.3.2016, the directorate said on its website that the renewal will continue to be free of charge and without Correction Fees even if their stay exceeded a year.

It is scheduled to settle the Palestinian-Syrian refugees' legal status for those who are in Lebanon since before the war in Syria, to leave without giving "prevention of entry" according to the Lebanese General Security.

The Lebanese Security has launched a campaign of arbitrary arrests affected dozens of Palestinian-Syrians under the pretext of not-holding residence permits, knowing that their papers and personal identities exist in the security branches under process with no receipts to show when needed.

The estimated number of Palestinian refugees displaced from Syria is about 45,000 refugees who suffer difficult economic conditions after reducing the UNRWA's aid.

In a different context, the Syrian regime continues to arrest the Palestinian young man, "Mohammad Omar Barghouth" 22-years-old since 18.09.2012 until now, he was arrested at Babbila City's checkpoint of the Syrian regime, Mohammad used to live in Al-Yarmouk refugee



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camp, while uncertain Information referred to his presence in Sednaya prison now.

It is noteworthy that the AGPS receives many letters and about Palestinian detainees, and in return they are documented, in spite of the documentation difficulties in the light of the regime's discreet on the fate of the detainees and their names and places of detention.

AGPS has documented so far 1025 Palestinian-Syrian prisoners in the prisons of the Syrian regime including 75 women, while the total of torture victims reached 427 refugees.



### Palestinians of Syria in numbers and statistics Until 31 December 2015

- 15500 Palestinian Syrian refugees in Jordan, 45,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees in Lebanon, and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to the UNRWA's statistics till July 2015.
- More than 36,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees have arrived Europe during the last 4 years.



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- The Yarmouk Camp: still under siege imposed by the Syrian Regime's Army and PFLP-GC (Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command), continued for 912 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 982 days, water cut for 472 days. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 184 victims.
- Al Sheina Camp: Syrian Regime's Army still preventing the residents from returning back to their houses for 773 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: All of its residents have left the camp for 974 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: Running water cut continues for 618 days, and 70% of its buildings were distroyed.
- Jarmana, AL SaiedaZainab, Al Raml, Al Aedein Homs and AedeinHamma: A relatively quiet situations in light of the economic crises.
- Khan Al Sheih Camp: Roads linking the camp to the city center are still closed except for Zakia- Khan Al Shieh road.