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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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"Targeting Dara'a Camp By Heavy Weapons Amid Water Cut For 700 Days"



- Palestinian NGOs discuss the UNRWA minimizing and the implications on Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon.
- NATO's warships reach Aegean Sea in order to monitor the movement of migrants and reducing the refugees flow.
- 2400 health kits distributed to displaced people from Yarmouk camp in the neighboring towns.

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RECENT UPDATES

Dara'a camp was subjected to heavy shelling by the regime's artillery and tank's bombs yesterday. The shelling caused a state of panic among the civilians and huge damages in the houses.



On the other hand, the suffering of locals of Dara'a camp is exacerbating due to the clashes and frequent bombings in the camp since the outbreak of the conflict, which resulted in destroying about 70% of the camp and 229 Palestinian victims. The rest of locals are still live under threat of the dangerous conditions in the health and living aspects; whereas, the running water is still cut off for 700 days. Securing drink water is one of the most risks on the refugees' lives as they force to fill their water needs from the point distances about 10 km. The camp usually is supplied by only one water tanker, which is insufficient to meet the residents' needs. The regime's snipers and the ongoing clashes are the main obstacles of the water supplying. The only and insufficient water tank in the camp pushed some locals to get water by pots or using water hoses due to the nature of the adjacent building where the tanker could not reach some neighbourhoods.

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In this respect, Palestinian refugees in Dara'a camp renewed their demands to the international organisation to intervene in order to find a solution for their tragedy particularly, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) as the securing clean water is one of its priorities. They warned from a humanitarian disaster in the camp if nobody has responded.

LBANON

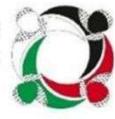
The Committee of Palestinians of Syria participated, alongside to the delegation of Palestinian NGOs in Lebanon, in the meeting held with the Lebanese minister, Hassan Mnaimne in the government headquarter in Beirut in 29/2/2016.

The meeting with Mnaimne, as a head of the Committee of Palestinian-Lebanese Dialogue, has aimed to put the Lebanese minister in the picture of the UNRWA cuts crisis.

The Palestinian delegation presented the dimensions of the UNRWA decision regarding the stop of the rent allowances for Palestinians from Syria. In addition, the suspending of the emergency program of Nahir Albarid camp, although the camp reconstruction projest was not completed.

For his part, the Lebanese minister assured the support of Lebanese government to the demands and protests of Palestinian refugees against UNRWA. Mnaimne called for continuing the peace protest to put more pressure on the donors states in order to increase its contributions in

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UNRWA fund to meet the increased needs of Palestinian refugees at all levels. It is worth mentioning that Palestinian delegation had organised meetings with several foreign embassies in the Lebanese capital of Beirut.



GREECE

It was announced for NATO's warships arrival to Aegean Sea; with the aim of monitoring the migrants way from Turkey to Greece, and collecting information about the network of trafficking. The goal of this actions come to reduce the flow of refugees into Europe, the statement of NATO has announced. The statement added that the operation targets to provide information to the authorities in Turkey and Greece.



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It is noteworthy that the operation is being carried out in cooperating with European Union Agency (Frontex).

It is indicated that the influx of Palestinian refugees into Europe continues although the dangers of migration road, where hundreds of migrants have been killed. According to an activist, the unsafe country and difficult living conditions are strong justifications pushing those people to risk their lives. He added that violations in the neighbouring countries against refugees are the main reasons of the Europe choice.

NGOs

UNRWA and the General Corporation of Palestinian Refugees CCPR in Damascus have distributed 2400 health kits to displaced Palestinians from Yarmouk camp in the neighbouring towns.

Also, they had finished from distribution of 5000 winter blanket few days ago, where the CCPR mentioned that the number of blankets were distributed in the last third of February is 19100.

It is indicated that the health situation in Yarmouk camp has exacerbated in the light of the camp blocking by Syrian security and the affiliated militias.

It is mentioned that running water had been cut since 990 days which led to spreading diseases particularly, the kidney diseases due to the locals' reliance on contaminated artesian wells.

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Palestinians of Syria in numbers and statistics Until 1 March 2016

- 15,500 Palestinian Syrian refugees in Jordan, 42,500 Palestinian Syrian refugees in Lebanon, and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to the UNRWA's statistics till July 2015.
- More than 71,200 Palestinian Syrian refugees have arrived Europe until the end of December 2015.
- 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 991 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 1052 days, water cut for 540 days. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 186 victims.
- Al Sbeina Camp: Syrian Regime's Army still preventing the residents from returning back to their houses for 846 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: All of its residents have left the camp for 1039 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: Running water cut continues for 700 days, and 70% of its buildings were destroyed.
- Jarmana, AL-SaiedaZainab, Al-Raml, Al-Aedein Homs and AedeinHama: A relatively quiet situation 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 EShieh road.