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"Palestinian Refugee Appeals for Information over Fate of Forcibly-Disappeared Mother"

- Silent March Held in AlNeirab Camp to Push for Women Empowerment
- Palestinian Refugees Rally in Hague over Int'l Community's Silence Regarding Israeli Crimes
- Germany Contributes EUR 69 Million to Palestine Refugee Agency

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Latest Developments

The family of Palestinian refugee Shamsah Rashdan Mohamed Rashdan, aged 63, continues to appeal for information over the condition and whereabouts of their missing elderly relative along with her daughter Asia Mohamed Sa'id Kweider, 22.

The mother and her daughter have been secretly held in Syrian government prisons since April 23, 2013.

A daughter of Shamsah said her siblings, residents of Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees, were kidnapped from AlZahira neighborhood, in Old Damascus. Earlier reports said both were spotted in Palestine Branch 235.



Over 108 Palestinian women and girls have been secretly detained in Syria's state-run penal complexes, among a total of 1,769 Palestinian prisoners identified by AGPS.

Along the same line, members of Shams Project to Empower Women organized a silent march in AlNeirab refugee camp, in Aleppo, condemning gender-based violence and discrimination.



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Palestinian refugees taking part in the march spoke up for their inalienable rights and denounced the violations committed against Palestinian women.



Meanwhile, Palestinian refugees from Syria joined a vigil held outside of the International Criminal Court (ICC), in the Dutch city of The Hague, condemning the ceaseless Israeli crimes against the Palestinian people.

The protesters called for an immediate probe into Israeli crimes, most notably in the blockaded Gaza Strip, and held the ICC responsible for the continued attacks and violations perpetrated by the Israeli occupation government against Palestinian land and people.





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Spokesman of the Palestinian community in the Netherlands, Ayman Najmah, handed over a memorandum to the ICC calling for an immediate and independent investigation into Israeli crimes and for the necessary legal measures in response.

In the meantime, Germany has announced new multi-year project funds of up to EUR 69 million to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).

The announcement was made during a meeting of UNRWA's Advisory Commission, held in Jordan on 25-26 November, to discuss the challenges UNRWA faces in providing services to millions of Palestine refugees in the Gaza Strip and West Bank (including East Jerusalem), Jordan, Lebanon and Syria.

EUR 25 million of the newly-announced contribution will be disbursed in 2019. Germany also pledged a further EUR 2.5 million for the UNRWA Emergency Appeal in Syria, also to be disbursed in 2019. The same evening, the European Union announced that it would release EUR 21 million in support.

“UNRWA is a remarkably resilient agency that is undergoing the worst financial crisis in its history and requires the urgent attention and support of the international community,” said UNRWA's Acting Commissioner-General, Christian Saunders.

“The future of Palestine refugees is in your hands,” Saunders told donor countries, as he appealed for increasing funds to the UN refugee agency.



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UNRWA is a United Nations agency established by the General Assembly in 1949 and mandated to provide assistance and protection to some 5.4 million Palestine refugees registered with UNRWA across its five fields of operation. Its mission is to help Palestine refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, West Bank, including East Jerusalem and the Gaza Strip achieve their full human development potential, pending a just and lasting solution to their plight. UNRWA services encompass education, health care, relief and social services, camp infrastructure and improvement, protection and microfinance.