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"New displacement of Palestinians from Damascus on the impact of continuous shelling"

- Violent fighting amid reports of the progression of the Syrian regime forces in south Damascus
- After their detention for several hours, the Syrian regime returns 60 Palestinians to Yarmouk camp
- Deraa camp for Palestinian refugees bombarded with mortars
- Syrian regime continues to detain Palestinian refugee "Omar Hegazy" for the sixth year



Latest Developments

10 buses carrying members of the armed Syrian opposition and their families have exited south Damascus, heading to the north of Syria through the Beit Sahm corridors, within an agreement with the Syrian regime which rules the complete exit of armed men from the towns of south Damascus (Yelda, Babilla and Beit Sahm) to Idlib, after handing over their weapons and equipment.

Our correspondent reported that about two thousand Palestinian refugees registered their names on the displacement lists from south Damascus to the north of Syria, fearing the revenge of the Syrian regime forces and the factions affiliated to it, arrest, and escaping from forced recruitment imposed by the Syrian regime on Palestinian refugees.



About 12,000 Palestinian refugees who have fled to the town of Yelda as a result of the ongoing shelling and clashes in Yarmouk camp, live in a state of tension and anxiety over their unknown fate. They also fear that the camp and areas south of Damascus will be emptied of their inhabitants, as happened in the western towns of Ghouta and other towns entered by the Syrian regime.

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Yesterday, the Syrian regime sent 60 buses to the Beit Sahm area, in preparation for the transfer of members of the armed Syrian opposition and their families to Idlib, north of Syria.

This comes on the 15th consecutive day of the military campaign launched by the Syrian and Russian regimes on Yarmouk camp and the towns of south Damascus, where the Syrian regime and its affiliated factions, with Russian air support, continue to bombard Yarmouk camp, Al-Tadamon and Al-Hajar Al-Aswad in south Damascus, with dozens of air strikes and high-impact elephant rockets and mortars.

According to the Action Group's correspondent, the warplanes launched air raids on Yarmouk camp and Al-Hajar Al-Aswad neighborhood, targeting different areas in the region. This coincided with clashes described as violent, between ISIS and the Syrian regime and factions and committees loyal to it, on several points of contact between the two parties.



While media sources close to the Syrian regime said that its forces and affiliated groups achieved military progress at the expense of

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ISIS in south Damascus, amid violent fighting between the two sides.

Those sources added that the Syrian regime separated Al-Hajar Al-Aswad and Yarmouk camp in south Damascus, from the Aalaf area to the direction of the schools complex in Al-Hajar, reaching the cemetery axis at the end of the camp, in the direction of the Zein neighborhood.

A few thousand Palestinian refugees remain in Yarmouk camp, amid the continued bombardments of the Syrian regime and the violent clashes with ISIS.

According to our correspondent, the Syrian regime returned 60 Palestinian refugees, mostly women and children, to Yarmouk camp and refused to allow them to enter Yelda, after they were detained for several hours while trying to exit through the Orouba checkpoint, dividing between the besieged Yarmouk camp, to the towns of south Damascus (Yelda, Babilla and Beit Sahm), in escape of the ongoing bombardments and violent fighting taking place in Yarmouk camp.

In the meantime, some media sources of the Syrian opposition indicated that the civilians are still detained in shops around the Nakheel barrier from the direction of Yelda, or were returned to the camp, while sources close to the regime reported that they were placed in shelters.

In south Syria, Deraa camp for Palestinian refugees was bombarded with a number of mortar shells and ground shots by the



Syrian regime, which targeted different areas in the camp, causing material damage. This came in conjunction with fighting described as violent, between the Syrian regime forces and the armed Syrian opposition factions, in which medium and heavy weapons were used.

On his part, the Action Group's reporter confirmed that Deraa camp is violently bombarded on a daily basis, with explosive missiles and rocket-propelled grenades launched by the Syrian regime, which has damaged about 80% of its neighborhoods and buildings.

He noted that the remaining residents of the camp are suffering from the lack of basic services and relief aid, as a result of the siege imposed by the Syrian regime on the camp.

In another context, the Syrian regime continues to detain Palestinian refugee, "Omar Jacob Hegazy," born in 1975, for the sixth consecutive year. He was arrested by the Syrian security forces on the Syrian-Lebanese border, and no information has been received about him from that moment. He is a resident of Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in Damascus.



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To this moment, the Action Group has documented 1676 Palestinian refugees, detained in the Syrian regime prisons, of which 106 are women. Their fates remain unknown.

Palestinians of Syria: May 03, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3733, including 467 women
- 1676 Palestinians are locked up behind Syrian government's bars, 106 of which are women
- Yarmouk refugee camp is under the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine's siege for 1,749 days in a row
- 206 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1484 days, and 1333 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 580 days. More than 80% of its buildings have been completely or partially destroyed.
- Approximately 85 thousand Palestinian-Syrian refugees fled to Europe by the end of 2016, while 31 thousand refugees are estimated to be in Lebanon, 17 thousand refugees are sheltered in Jordan, 6 thousand refugees are in Egypt, 8 thousand refugees are staying in Turkey, and one thousand Palestinian-Syrians are in Gaza.