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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"In the midst of UNRWA's absence dozens of Palestinian families suffer from the tight siege in Ghouta, Damascus"

- Turkey and Jordan top countries banning Palestinian-Syrians from entering their territories
- With numbers: Palestinian victims' distribution across main governorates in Syria



Latest Developments:

Activists confirm to AGPS that more than 250 Palestinian-Syria families in Ghouta, east Syria and suffering extremely bad living conditions due to the continuous tight siege on the areas they live in.

According to what came in to the Action Group, the families are distributed across the towns of Duma, Zamalka, Hazeh and Hamouriyah are suffering from the severe lack of food and medical supplies, because of the tight siege imposed on Ghouta by the regime since September 2013, as well as the frequent aerial and artillery bombardments.



The agony is also increasing due to of what has become known as "war merchants" who monopolize food and sell them with higher prices to those living under the siege, reaching up to ten times the real price.

The people are complaining that relief aid from UNRWA is not reaching them, since snipers stopped their access to the UNRWA



premises in the capital, Damascus and the UN agency decided to stop sending its help to east Ghouta.

For their part, the people renewed their demands through AGPS to all international agencies, especially UNRWA, official Palestinian agencies, the Palestinian embassy in Damascus, the Palestinian Liberation Organization and the Arab and European relief institutions, to work to put an end to their suffering and to provide urgent relief assistance to them.

Information received by AGPS noted the neighboring countries that hinder and prevent the entry of Palestinian- Syrian refugees into their territories, Turkey and Jordan being on the top countries that ban the entrance of Palestinian- Syrian refugees into their land.

Jordan and Turkish authorities continue to ban Palestinian- Syrian refugees from entering their countries despite the fact that all international agreements stipulate the obligation of all neighboring countries to areas of war of accepting those fleeing from the conflict and not impeding their entry into their territories.





The Turkish embassies have stopped issuing entry permits to Palestinian-Syrians for over three years, without clarifying their decision, while the Jordanian government implemented a decision to ban the entrance of Palestinian-Syrians into its land for any reason.

In Lebanon, authorities are tightening the entry procedures for the Palestinian-Syrian refugees. Multiple sources have confirmed to AGPS that the entry of refugees in Lebanon is very difficult and temperamental, since some are allowed entrance while others are rejected despite having all papers required by the Lebanese border guards.

In another context, AGPS's 15th statistical documentation report which was publish in August, has revealed that 3437 Palestinians have died in Syria, out of 3521 deaths that were recorded during the period June 2011 – June 2017. The highest number of victims was in Damascus and its suburbs, where 2070 deaths have been recorded, 79 more deaths than September 2016's numbers. This is due to the presence of a large number of Palestinians in the Damascus city and capital and their camps.

AGPS published its 15th statistical documentation report in August. The report documented the overall statistics of victims, detainees, displaced and lost Palestinian refugees since the outbreak of the Syrian revolution in March 2011 and until June 2017, through three main chapters and several studies.



Palestinians of Syria: October 4, 2017 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3593, including 462 women
- 1639 Palestinians are locked up behind Syrian government's bars, 105 of which are women
- Yarmouk refugee camp is under the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine's siege for 1,540 days in a row
- 199 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1277 days, and 1117 days in Yarmouk Camp
- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo have been banned from their homes for 1,613 days. Government troops have taken over the camp for more than 364 days.
- Approximately 85 thousand Palestinian-Syrian refugees fled to Europe by the end of 2016
- 31 thousand refugees are located in Lebanon
- 17 thousand refugees are sheltered in Jordan
- 6 thousand refugees are in Egypt
- 8 thousand refugees are staying in Turkey
- One thousand refugees are present in Gaza