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''3500 Besieged Children in Yarmouk Facing Death Each day, and Aleppo-Nairab Road Closure Due to Clashes and Sniping''



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Statistics

The AGPS documentation and monitoring team confirmed that they documented the names of 65 victims who died during April of 2015, while "89" refugees died in the same month in 2014 due to the continued conflict in Syria. The AGPS noted that "65" victims who were killed in 2015 were divided to the Syrian cities as follows: (30) refugees in Damascus, (7) refugees in Damascus suburb, (12)in Swaidaa, a refugee in Aleppo, Two refugeesin Daraa, a refugee in Lattakia, and (12) refugees in different parts of Syria.

The AGPS pointed out that "89" victims who were killed in the April 2014, "60" of them in Damascus and its suburb, "3" in Deraa, "10" in Aleppo and Neirab, and (6) in Homs, and a refugees in the city of Latakia.

The AGPS also revealed that "36" Palestinian refugees died after targeting their camps and compounds in "Syria directly during last April, where the largest number of victims was in Yarmouk which is 30 victims, " 3 "in Khan Al Shieh camp, a refugee Al Raml camp in Latakia, and Two refugees in Deraa camp.

Recent Updates

Official spokesman of UNRWA in Jerusalem, Sami Mshaasha, said that almost 3500 Palestinian child are besieged in Yarmouk camp; they are facing death each day due to the ongoing shelling and siege and the lack of nutrition and medication. He indicated that UNRWA called on the



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Syrian regime in order to stop randomly targeting the camp with explosive barrels which cause damage to civilians and serious destruction.



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Mortar shelling targeted different areas of Yarmouk camp and led to some injuries among civilians, coincided with voices of appeals by loudspeakers from Palestine Mosque calling people to go to Palestine Hospital to donate blood for the injured. It is mentioned that Palestine Hospital is the only hospital that works in Yarmouk and provides medical services despite the many obstacles and constraints faced by the medical crew.

Clashes renewed in Yarmouk between the pro-Syrian armed Palestinian groups and ISIS alongside Al Nusra Front; most violent was at western area of Yarmouk. In terms of initiatives and negotiations for solving the Yarmouk crisis, the PLO delegation arrived to Damascus, headed by the Head of the PLO Refugees Department, Zakaria al-Agha, in order to discuss with the Syrian authorities to find a solution for the Yarmouk crisis, and try to neutralize it from the ongoing conflict in Syria.



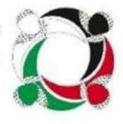
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It is noteworthy that the Syrian authorities postponed a previous visit of the PLO delegation that was scheduled last week, due to internal concerns of the Syrian authority, according to an official source. However, media sources close to the regime said that the postponement of the visit owing to disagreements between the Palestinian leadership about military solutions to end the Yarmouk refugee camp crisis.

In terms of services aspect, a number of civil and relief work organizations launched a campaign under the slogan "We are Yarmouk", so as to clean the streets and alleys of Yarmouk refugee camp out of garbage, and to remove the dust and rubble of the bombing.

Turning to Aleppo, the AGPS correspondent reported that the only way between Nairab camp and Aleppo has been closed as a result of clashes which broke out in Ramouseh and Amiriya area, followed by sniping operations, which resulted in the a victim from Neirab village. Meanwhile, a state of instability and unsafety spread in the camp due to the tension of the security situation in the adjacent areas. On 27th of April a similar event was recorded, where a dispute between people of Neirab village, and residents of Tel Shoaib area, has led to putting checkpoints at the entrance of the camp and the closure of all roads connecting to it.

It is mentioned that the location of Nairab camp adjacent to the Neirab military airport constitutes a strategic location for the parties to the conflict in Syria. The camp was previously targeted with bombing and shooting which led to casualties among civilians, and several residents were killed because of their involvement in the events of the war in Syria. Some of its residents are fighting with al-Quds Brigade group alongside



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Syrian forces, and some others are fighting alongside armed opposition forces, while the AGPS documented the names of 114 victims from Neirab who died since the war began.

In the meantime, people, dignitaries, and a number of activists from Handarat camp renewed their appeal to the conflict parties in Syria, in order to neutralize their camp, to make it a safe area, and to enable the residents to return to it and to end their ongoing suffering since they were forced to immigration. The tragedy of Handarat residents is still continuous owing to displacement and expulsion for 740 days due to the ongoing conflict in Syria, which has led to the displacement of a large number of families of the camp to various places in the city of Aleppo; such as Neirab and the University City.

In a different context, and for the occasion of World Press Freedom Day, a number of Palestinian Syrian journalists issued a statement describing the difficulties that face journalist and documentary work of the events and the reality of Palestinians of Syria. They confirmed in their statement that the lack of financial resources and new technologies and the difficulty of access to the tension areas freely, have impacted negatively on documenting and transferring information, and on covering the event to the fullest, whether individual or group. The statement also enumerates number of reasons that led a lot of journalists' victims, where some of them died by shrapnel, torture, assassination, or shot, and others were murdered by unknown groups. As well as, the statement documented a list of media workers who have died since the beginning of the events in Syria, in addition to the names of Palestinian journalists and media workers who are detained in the Syrian prisons.



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In the conclusion of the journalists' statement, they demanded all bodies and institutions and the Union of Palestinian radio stations to provide protection and logistical support for the Palestinian cadres of press and media that is operating inside Syria camps in order to ensure delivering their voice to Arab world and international community. As well as they also called on UNRWA, International Federation of Journalists, and Reporters Without Borders, to protect and provide them with work equipment, and to release all detained and kidnapped journalists from the Syrian prisons.

Turkey

Palestinians of Syrian Committee in Turkey Distributed financial aids to the Palestinian Syrian families in the Turkish city of Kilis, while those families appealed institutions and bodies in order to work to regularize their status and providing a helping hand to them, as they called for the need to provide a helping hand and get them out of the bad conditions in which they live and the difficult choices that put them in Turkey, especially after the closure of Kilisshelter Center.





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Ramallah

Two concerts held by three brothers in cooperation with UNRWA in Ramallah Cultural Palace in Ramallah, in order to customize its proceeds to the Palestinian refugees in Yarmouk camp, because of what the camp witnessed of bombing, siege, killing, and starving.

Numbers and Statistics till 4/5/2015

- At least 27933 Palestinian Syrian refugees have reached Europe during the last 4 years.
- The Yarmouk Camp: Siege, imposed by the Regular Army and PFGC, continued for 676 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 746 days, water was cut for 236 days respectively. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 176 victims.
- 80,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees escaped from Syria to the neighboring towns, including 10,687 refugees in Jordan, 51,300 in Lebanon and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to UNRWA statistics till February 2015.
- Al Husayneyya Camp: Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 567 days respectively.
- Al Sheina Camp: Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 538 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: Residents have left the camp for 740 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.



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- Dara'a Camp: It is now almost 383 days without water and 70% of its buildings were demolished.
- Jermana, AL Saieda ZAinab, Al Raml, Al Aedein Camps in Homs and Hamma: 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 Al Sheih road.