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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Refugee Arrested by Turkish Police"

- Palestinian Students from Syria Allowed to Return to Lebanon
- Protest Moves Held at UNRWA Clinic North of Lebanon
- Palestinians from Syria among Hundreds Transferred to Greek Mainland



Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee from Syria Ahmad Hasan Abdul Wahab, displaced from Syria's Yarmouk Camp, has been detained by Turkish police after he failed to obtain the kimlik temporary protection card.

His family has appealed to the Palestinian embassy and activists to push for his release from Turkish custody and prevent his forced deportation.

Hundreds of Palestinian families from Syria continue to appeal to the Turkish authorities and Palestinian embassies to work out their legal status and grant them humanitarian asylum.



Recently, Turkish police have stepped up crackdowns and abduction sweeps targeting irregular migrants and non-holders of the kimlik visa card in Istanbul.

Nearly 2,400 Palestinian families from Syria have sought shelter in Turkey, including 1,200 families in Istanbul, where they have been facing an abject situation.



In another development, the Lebanese General Security has green-lighted the return of Palestinian students from Syria to Lebanon.

Some 50 Palestinian students enrolled at the Council of Churches Institute in Lebanon, returned to Syria to sit for high school exams, following cooperation with the Lebanese General Security.

In a letter emailed to AGPS, a family said the students have kept appealing to return to Lebanon for nearly a month's time, after they faced tough conditions at Said AlAas institute in Damascus.

The students are expected to enter Lebanon on Wednesday.

Upon more than one occasion, AGPS has raised alarm bells over the striking upsurge in the rate of school dropouts among the Palestinians of Syria, several among whom have left schools to help feeding their impoverished families in unemployment-stricken refugee camps.

Along the same line, Palestinian refugees gathered at a UNRWA clinic in AlBadawi refugee camp, north of Lebanon, protesting health service cut.





The refugees have denounced the medicine shortage at the clinic, saying they have been forced to purchase drugs at costs that outlive their budgets.

The protesters forced staff members out of their offices and handed over a memorandum to UNRWA director in AlBadawi refugee camp.

Nearly 28,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria have sought shelter in Lebanon, where they have been subjected to a precarious legal status and dire socio-economic conditions owing to their lack of access to vital services, particularly health care.

In the meantime, the Greek authorities transferred hundreds of migrants, including 25 Palestinian refugees from Syria, to the mainland.

International news sources said 800 migrants were transferred from overcrowded refugee camps on Greek islands to the mainland.

The Greek government is expected to transfer 5,000 migrants to the mainland over the next couple of weeks.

In recent years, Greek refugee camps have reportedly been running at three times their capacity. Overpopulated refugee camps cause a shortage of resources, not least healthcare.

Last month, UNICEF warned that the number of unaccompanied migrant minors staying in overcrowded reception centers on the Greek islands exceeds 1,100, the highest level since the peak of the refugee crisis in early 2016, calling on European countries to do more to protect vulnerable children.



Palestinian refugees from Syria continue to risk their lives onboard the "death boats" to Greece, rummaging around for a momentary respite from the daily scenes of bloodshed and destruction.

AGPS has kept record of the death of dozens of refugees onboard Greece-bound ships. Several others have been arrested by Turkish coast guards.

Activists estimate that around 4,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria are taking cover on such Greek islands as Lesbos, Mytilene, Chios, Leros, and Kos, among other areas.

