

## التقرير اليومي الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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"AGPS Carries out an Art Exhibition about the Palestinians of Syria Suffering within the Activities of the Palestinians of Europe 14th Conference"



- A Palestinian Died by a Sniper Shot in Yarmouk
- Deteriorating humanitarian Conditions in Yarmouk due to Clashes and Siege
- Confusion and Panic in Khan Al Shieh Camp after the Closure of the Only Road
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- Educational Courses for the Palestinians of Syria Students at Nahr Al Barid Camp
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#### **Victims**

The Palestinian refugee, Imad Dabour, died by a sniper shot in the Yarmouk camp during clashes between AL Nusra and ISIS, raising the number of the Palestinian refugees, who died by sniper shot, since the beginning of war in Syria, to 292 victims. The total toll of victims is 3220, according to the AGPS documented statistics.



#### Recent Updates

The AGPS carried out an art exhibition yesterday at the Swedish city of Malmo. The exhibition included a group of photos that highlighted the suffering of the Palestinian refugees in the Palestinian camps in Syria.

The exhibition was held within the activities of the Palestinians of Syria 14th Conference, which was held under the title, "The Diaspora Palestinians are the National Support and indefinite return." Five Palestinian artists from the Yarmouk and Khan Al Shieh camps participated in the conference.

The artists are: Hani Abbas, caricature artist from the Yarmouk camp and resides in Switzerland, the artist, Ma'moun Al Shayeb, from Yarmouk and resides in the Swedish city of Landskrona, the artist, Yahya Ashmawi, from Yarmouk and resides in the Sweden city of Helsingborg, the artist,



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Ghasan Shihab, from Khan Al Shieh camp and resides in Germany, and the photojournalist, Fadi Khattab, from the Yarmouk refugee camp and a resident of the Swedish city of Atobora.

The artists reflect the humanitarian suffering resulted from the ongoing war in Syria, as they also reflected the suffering of the Yarmouk people and boats of death through a unique artistic style. They also documented many phases and moments experienced by the Yarmouk refugee camp in Damascus through a group of photos.



It is noteworthy that the AGPS participated in a number of international events and conferences, the latest was the human rights conference in Geneva, in an attempt to bring the suffering of the Palestinians of Syria to various Arab and international bodies, including international and human rights organizations.

On the other hand, the Syrian Regime and the affiliated Palestinian groups are still imposing siege over the Yarmouk camp, cut off power and water, prevented the entry of food and medical materials, and prevented residents of leaving and entering through the main entrances which is



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controlled by groups of the Syrian security forces and some Palestinian groups.

Meanwhile, the frequent shelling and siege resulted in the suspension of all hospitals and clinics of the camp, while a number of medial cadre were killed by shelling. The situation was deteriorated following ISIS breaking into the Camp, and imposing control with the help of Nusra since April 2015, where many relief Agencies withdrawn under ISIS threats.

A number of families are in a new siege after being trapped at the clashes area between ISIS and Al Nusra, in addition to the difficulty of having water and food, especially with the spread of snipers, the burning of houses, and the explosion devices.

Al Nusra Front repelled a break in attempt by ISIS near a hospital at Haifa Street in the Yarmouk camp, which resulted in a number of deaths and injuries among the two parties. Al Nusra front restored buildings were controlled by ISIS previously.

The clashes lasted for 30 days between Al Nusra and ISIS in the Yarmouk camp, which resulted in dozens of deaths and injuries.

A state of panic prevailed in Khan Al Shieh camp, the western Ghouta of Damascus, after the Syrian Army at Al Darkhiba and" 137" regiment continued targeting the only road linking the camp with Zakia city. Activists expressed concerns about the trials of the Syrian Regime to impose control over the road to be permanently closed, as they warned the consequences of the siege imposed on the people of the region.



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Meanwhile, the Regular Army targeted the western and the eastern outskirts of the camp, while residents confirmed that the shrapnel and Shilka shot reached their houses. The shelling that targeted Al Mansheia-camp road resulted in the power cut.

On the other hand, the Palestinian youth in Syria have been facing difficult choices by the compulsory recruitment and the continuing prosecution for the so-called military service. The youth were forced either to escape (Immigration) to outside the borders of Syria, or to escape to the areas outside the Syrian regime's control, since most of the remaining youth of Palestinians of Syria prefers siege, shelling, and sniping within his camp to go to military service.

However, activists attribute this to several reasons, most notably that the Liberation Army, which was founded to be a tributary of the Liberation of Palestine is today, according to some studies and facts, practicing agendas that do not serve the Palestinian cause, after a number of officers were involved in military action along the Syrian army forces against opposition groups.

Furthermore, some youth, even those who were forcibly joint the military services, are unwilling to hold a weapon against any party, and are unwilling to get involved in the conflict inside Syria. Those youth are convinced with the urgent need of pointing the Palestinian weapon towards the Zionist enemy.

Meanwhile, activists reported a number of deaths among the Palestinian officers and recruits who were killed by the Syrian opposition for being



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fighting alongside the Syrian Regular Army, which is considered an important reason for youth not to join the PLA.

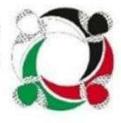
Moreover, the Regime's checkpoints that became a new nightmare that bothers the Palestinian youth after being displaced from the camp, being forced to pay money for military exemption, the fear of being arrested and forced to join the military service, in addition to the arrest campaigns carried out by the Syrian security branches.

In Lebanon, the Palestinians of Syria Teachers' League implemented an intensive course for the middle school students of the Palestinians of Syria who are displaced at Nahr Al Barid camp -Tripoli city - Lebanon. The course included remedial courses in mathematics, physics, chemistry, science, and English.

The number of Palestinian families who are displaced from Syria at Nahr Al Barid camp has reached 350 families.

Meanwhile, Afaq Educational Center announced the beginning of a number of psychological support courses for the Palestinian Syrian and the Syrian refugees who are displaced from Syria at Wadi Al Zina area south of Lebanon.

According to the Center's organizers, the courses aim at spreading the high moral values, evaluating the wrong behavior, and treating some cases of trauma for children. They added that it will include all students of the center according to their age, while each student will be subjected to five sessions. The courses will be supervised by specialized institutions, highly efficient management, volunteers, and trainers.



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Afaq Educational Center was opened on 5 March 2016 at Wadi Al Zina area in Al Kharoub area- Lebanon, with the purpose of serving the Palestinian Syrian and the Syrian refugees who are displaced in Lebanon.



### Palestinians of Syria; Numbers and Statistics till 07\05\2016:

- 15500 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Jordan
- 42.500 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Lebanon
- 6000 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Egypt, according to the UNRWA statistics till July 2015
- 8000 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Turkey
- 1000 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Gaza
- More than 71.2 thousand Palestinian Syrian refugees have reached Europe till the End of December 2015
- The Yarmouk Camp: siege, imposed by the Regular Army and PFGC groups, continued for 1057 consecutive days. Power cut continued for



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more than 1118 days, water was cut for 607 days respectively. The number of siege victims is 187.

- Al Sbeina Camp: Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 911 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: All Residents have left the camp for about 1102 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: It is now almost 764 days without water and almost 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.