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# **التقرير اليومي** الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



## "ISIS continues its humanitarian violations in south Damascus"

- Member of the Palestine Liberation Army dies in the suburbs of Damascus
- Anwar Abd El-Hady: We have agreed with UNRWA to adopt the oral notification for the refugees to obtain their assistance
- Palestinian-Syrian committees in Lebanon investigate the suffering of the refugees with UNRWA
- UNRWA: An important international conference in Rome to study the financial crisis the Agency is experiencing



### Victims

Palestinian refugee "Ibrahim Hussien Mohsen" from the ranks of the Palestinian Liberation Army died in the ongoing clashes in the eastern Ghouta on 19-07-2017.



Sayeda Zeinab camp for Palestinian refugees in the suburbs of Damascus witnessed his funeral yesterday, after his body was recovered during the clashes in Ghouta, a few days ago, according to pages close to the regime.

The leaders of the Palestinian Liberation Army forces its members of kill alongside the Syrian regime forces, in its clashes against the armed Syrian opposition, causing dozens of Palestinian refugees to refrain from performing compulsory service.

## **Latest Developments**

ISIS, which is controlling large areas of Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees, has published pictures of a group of its members while cutting a man's hand off in a public square in south



Damascus. This came amid a series of humanitarian violations performed by ISIS against the civilians, in the areas of its control in south Damascus.

On their part, activists confirmed that ISIS's actions are terrorizing to the residents, to give itself a dominating appearance, after its big defeats that affected them in large areas, in addition to the organization's' leaders' attempts to cover up on the thefts, looting and drug dealing that it performs.



ISIS imposed its control on Yarmouk camp in April 2015, with the aid and support of Al-Nusra Front.

In another context, Palestinian media sources quoted the Director General of the Political Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Anwar Abd El-Hady, that an agreement has been reached with UNRWA, not to oblige the Palestinian refugees who do not have identification papers to submit, and that an oral notification about their place of residence is enough, to obtain their in-kind assistance.

According to Abd El-Hady's statement, the decision came after an agreement with UNRWA, the General Authority for Palestinian



Arab Refugees and the Political Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization, after UNRWA's decision to update the data of the Palestinian refugees in Syria, to distribute the in-kind assistance, and requiring residential papers and addresses.

The General Authority for Palestinian Arab Refugees had demanded UNRWA to halt its work to update the data of the Palestinian refugees, after imposing conditions and requirements that were difficult and harsh for the Palestinian refugees in Syria.



UNRWA asked the refugees to bring an original contract of house ownership or lease, identification card issued by the Syrian government, valid hosting record, security approval for housing, a recent residency support and a recent telephone bill on behalf of the holder, in order to conduct an audit on the individual data of the Palestinian refugees benefiting from the cash assistance and living in Syria, during the first cycle of food assistance distribution for 2018.

In Lebanon, a delegation from the Committees of Palestinians displaced from Syria in Lebanon, met the day before yesterday, with



the Director General of UNRWA, Claudio Cordone, in his office in beirut, to discuss the recommendations that were issued during the workshop carried out on 5th of March 2018, under the title, "The Suffering of the Palestinian-Syrians Between UNRWA and the Legal Status... Reality... Difficulties... Hopes," in the headquarters of the municipality of Sidon in south Lebanon.

The delegation presented the suffering of the displaced Palestinian-Syrians in Lebanon and discussed the exemption of the Palestinian-Syrian students from school fees, in addition to employing the displaced Palestinians in UNRWA.

The delegation said that the Director General expressed his understanding of the conditions of the Palestinians displaced from Syria, and stated that the money available with UNRWA is enough to cover until the end of April, stressing that the cases of the displaced is their priority and that the cash assistance is the priority of priorities.

The number of Palestinian-Syrians in Lebanon is estimated, according to UNRWA's statistics until the end of December 2016, at 31 thousand refugees, distributed across 5 areas in camps and gatherings in the Lebanese cities. 50.64% of the families are distributed in the camps and the remaining 49.36% are outside the camps.

Within context, Arab media sources quoted UNRWA's Media Advisor, Adnan Abu Hassana, that an important conference is to be held on March 15th in Rome, to discuss the Agency's financial crisis



after the United States of America's decision to freeze its contribution.

According to Abu Hassana, "All donors and members of the Advisory Committee have been invited to this important and decisive conference in the Agency's history. The Secretary-General of the United Nations, Antonio Guterres, is expected to attend the conference, in which UNRWA's financial status will be discussed. UNRWA is expected to demand the filling of the deficit it has, during the conference."

He also mentioned the meeting, which was held last Thursday, between the French President, Emmanuel Macron, and the Commissioner-General of UNRWA, Pierre Krähenbühl, in which the French president expressed his support for UNRWA.

UNRWA's Media Advisor pointed out that if the deficit continues, it will have serious and catastrophic repercussions on the humanitarian conditions and the services provided to the Palestinian refugees.

#### Palestinians of Syria: March 09, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3666, including 466 women
- 1672 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 1,695 days in a row



- 205 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1431 days, and 171 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 527 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
- 31 thousand refugees are located in Lebanon
- 17 thousand refugees are sheltered in Jordan
- 6 thousand refugees are in Egypt