

10-04-2019

No. 2349

التقرير اليومي

الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Toll of Torture Victims in Syrian State Jails Hits 584"

- Russian Military: ISIS Weapons Cache Found in Yarmouk Camp
- UNRWA Director in Syria Meets With Aleppo Governor over Situation in Palestinian Refugee Camps
- Ceremony to Honor Orphans Held in AlRaml Camp for Palestinian Refugees



Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee Yousef AlKarkati, from Daraa city, died under torture in Syrian government prisons, where he had been locked up since 2013. He reportedly breathed his last in November 2015.

Youssef's death brings the number of Palestinians who have been tortured to death in Syrian jails to 584 refugees.



In another development, the Russian Military Police said a large cache of weapons that were left behind by the terrorist group ISIS was seized in Yarmouk Camp in the southern districts of Damascus city on Monday.

"During a routine patrol in Yarmouk by the Russian military police, a local from Yarmouk gave us information of a possible weapons storage hidden inside a tunnel under a house, we searched the area with help of Syrian security forces and we discovered a large weapons cache in the tunnel.", Russian military spokesman said.

The seized weapons cache contains a variety of weapons including landmines, IEDs, mortar shells, missile launchers, hell cannons and large amount of ammunition.

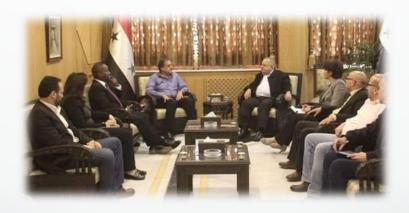


ISIS took control of Yarmouk Camp from April 2015 until the launch of the Syrian military operation on April 18, 2018.



Meanwhile, Director of UNRWA projects in Syria, Michael Amania, and Aleppo's Governor, Husain Diab, discussed during a recent meeting the situation of Palestinian refugees in Aleppo and the need to reconstruct refugee camps and rehabilitate vital facilities.

Amania said UNRWA will dispatch engineers to assess the situation of buildings in Handarat, pointing out the financial hurdles encountered by the UN agency as a result of the funding crunch.





Palestinian refugees in Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, have been grappling with dire conditions due to the lack of humanitarian assistance and life-saving services.

The displaced Palestinian families continue to call on UNRWA to take urgent steps in order to reconstruct the destroyed homes and facilities.

Heavy shelling on Handarat and bloody shootouts between the government forces and the opposition outfits led to the destruction of over 90% of buildings in the camp. The confrontations culminated in the government's takeover of the camp along with other areas in Aleppo and the displacement of its residents on April 27, 2013.

Meanwhile, a celebration was staged in Latakia city by AlBer Association, in cooperation with the Palestinian Refugees Department, to pay tribute to the children and relatives of Palestinians killed in the Syrian warfare in AlAyedeen Camp.

Hundreds of Palestinian refugees and activists took part in the event.

The situation in AlRaml Camp has been marked by a relative calm, compared to other embattled refugee camps across the tension-stricken Syrian territories. A number of residents have, however, been sent to jail, and tortured to death by pro-government wardens.