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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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"ISIS Launches Abduction Sweep against Stranded Activists in Yarmouk Camp"



- UNRWA: 254,000 Palestinians Displaced in War-Torn Syria
- Palestinian Brothers Ahmed and Walid Mahmoud Held in Syrian Gov't Jail
- Over 70 Special Reports Documenting Situation of Palestinians from Syria Available on AGPS Website
- Jafra Foundation Delivers Agricultural Crops to Yalda Families

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Latest Developments

An abduction sweep has been launched by ISIS militias against activists trapped in the besieged Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Damascus.

A number of captives were released and put to house arrest.



Meanwhile activists south of Syria said that armed outfits rebuffed the terms of the recently-struck Yarmouk-Yalda deal because the party that signed the deal—so-called Abu Saleh Fetyan and Ismail Khalayli—do not represent Yarmouk's civilian community. Other armed group said they have been excluded from consultations over the deal.

Activists and relief offices in Yarmouk have been permanently targeted by ISIS ever since it grabbed hold of the camp in early April 2015.

In another development, UNRWA latest population figures in Syria, based on the 2016 verification exercise, said 60% of the 438,000 Palestinian refugees remaining in Syria have been subjected to displacement at least once across the Syrian territories.

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According to the agency, 418,000 individuals rely on humanitarian assistance to survive, representing 95 per cent of the total Palestinian refugee population in the country. Approximately 254,000 have become internally displaced within Syria.

Over 12,500 Palestinian refugees and Syrians have taken refuge in 37 temporary collective shelters managed and supported by UNRWA across Syria.

UNRWA said life in a collective shelter can be stressful. Residents have left behind their homes, livelihoods and communities for an uncertain future and immense hardship. The adjustment to the lack of privacy and overcrowded conditions is difficult.

Over 120,000 Palestinians from Syria fled the country, among them 31,000 to Lebanon and 17 others to Jordan.

In the meantime, Palestinian brothers Ahmed and Walid Moussa Mahmoud have been held in Syrian government jails since February 2014. Both were kidnapped from their family homes in Rukn AlDeen, in Damascus. Their families have received no information over their fate and conditions of captivity.

AGPS documented the incarceration of 1,626 Palestinians in Syrian government lock-ups, among them women and children. Dozens of others also died under torture in Syria's regime penitentiaries, including three brothers from Hamdan family, from Yarmouk Camp, and three sisters from Sa'd AlDin family, from AlRaml Camp. The latter were pronounced dead on March 30, 2015.

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Meanwhile, over 70 special reports documenting the situation of the Palestinians of Syria are available on the group's website both in English and Arabic: www.actionpal.org.uk.

Other material, including videos, live snapshots, statistics on the number of casualties and detainees, news articles, and press releases also figure on the website.

The reports cover the daily situation of the Palestinian refugee community across war-ravaged Syria, including their legal status, health situation, living conditions, and access to education.

AGPS material is purely fact-based and rooted in authentic data compiled by a team of professional journalists, on-the-spot reporters, news correspondents, veterans, and local activists.

AGPS, in partnership with the London-based Palestinian Return Centre, also continues to provide annual and semi-annual reports, as part of its incessant endeavors to keep tabs on the situation of the Palestinians of Syria.

Civil Action Committees

Jafra Foundation for Relief and Youth Development south of Damascus distributed vegetables recently picked by Jafra team to a number of families displaced from Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees.

Hundreds of Palestinian families fled Yarmouk after ISIS held sway over the area in early April 2015.

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Palestinians of Syria: August 11, 2017 Statistics:

- At least 3,555 Palestinians, including 462 women, were killed in war-torn Syria.
- 1,626 Palestinian refugees, including 103 women, are incarcerated in Syrian government lock-ups.
- Yarmouk refugee camp has been blockaded by the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command (PFLP-GC) for 1,477 days in a row.
- 196 Palestinians died of undernourishment and medical neglect in the blockaded Yarmouk Camp.
- Water supplies cut off in Deraa and Yarmouk camps respectively for 1,216 and 1,065 days.
- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 1,559 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 312 days.
- Nearly 85,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria fled to Europe until the end of 2016.

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- 31,000 Palestinians from Syria are housed in Lebanon.
- 17,000 Palestinians from Syria are taking refuge in Jordan.
- 6,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in Egypt.
- 8,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are taking shelter in Turkey.
- 1,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in the blockaded Gaza Strip.