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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Activists: the opposition factions in south Damascus closed the Yarmouk/Yelda barrier today, in an agreement with the Syrian regime"

- After Germany refused their reunion, two brothers from Yarmouk camp are threatened with imprisonment in Malaysia or deportation to Syria
- Completion of the reconstruction of Al-Huda Mosque in Khan Al-Sheih Camp, after being damaged by the shelling
- AGPS launches "Group for Palestinians of Syria Greece" on Whatsapp



Latest Developments

Activists confirmed to AGPS that the armed Syrian opposition groups in the towns of south Damascus, closed the Yarmouk/Yelda barrier this morning Based on agreement with the Syrian regime. This came after the latter gave the opposition groups the choice to either close the Yelda/Yarmouk camp barrier, or that the regime closes the Beit Sahm barrier. However, the Group could not confirm the authenticity of the news from other sources.



AGPS holds all the sides of conflict in south Damascus accountable for the lives of civilians in Yarmouk camp, calling on them to neutralize the civilians and to open all the barriers for the entry of aid and food supplies into Yarmouk camp.

The Group asserts that anyone who prevents the entry of aid to the residents is a partner in the siege crime, which to this date has led to the death of 200 refugees from the camp, due to malnutrition and the lack of medical services.



In another context, Palestinian brothers "Hamza and Othman Khashan" who are stranded at Malaysia International Airport, called on the international organizations and institutions, human rights organizations and civil society to intervene to release them and solve their case.

According to the activist "Fatma Gaber," which published the

appeal, the brothers "Hamza Khasan" 23 years old and "Othman Khashan" 13 years old, have been stranded in Malaysia Airport since 15/10/2017.

She added: "The mother has been in Malaysia for 5 years and she is registered with her children at the UNHCR Malaysia. The father has been in Germany for 3 years and based on his residency, he is entitled to reunite his family. However, Germany rejected the request on the grounds that the family



would get asylum through the UNHCR in Malaysia."

For its part, the UNHCR in Malaysia stopped their asylum after learning that the father has a residency in Germany and that he will arrange for his family to be reunited. According to the activist Fatma, all sides are avoiding helping and solving this family's problem.

He then tried to travel to Malaysia to see his wife and children after taking the residency, but was prevented from traveling because he



did not receive and approval for his visa. As a result, he suffered a severe heart attack and had to be hospitalized.

The activist added that Hamza had to travel from Malaysia to Germany with a valid Palestinian passport, since his Palestinian-Syrian document had expired since 2013. He was accompanied by his brother Othman who holds a "Palestinian-Syrian travel document," as they passed through Cambodia Airport, however, the Cambodian authorities blocked their passage. They were returned to Malaysia airport, however they were not allowed to enter because the country closed their file and placed a block on them for five years, after they left.

About a month after Hamza and Othman were detained at the airport, they are now threatened with deportation to Syria or imprisonment in Malaysia until the UNHCR finds a solution to their problem.

Thousands of Palestinian refugees have fled their camps and gatherings in Syria, to the near and far countries. Thousands of them headed to Europe on "death boats, or walked on their feet to cross to several countries, in an attempt to gain security, stability and respect to their humanity, after losing them in the majority of Arab countries and others.

In the suburbs of Damascus, AGPS's reporter in Khan Al-Sheih camp confirmed that Al-Huda Mosque is still under reconstruction, after it was bombarded several times, which led to the destruction of parts of it and to great damage to its campus and its legitimacy during the years of the war.



The latest was on the night on 13-11-2016, where Russian airplanes targeted the mosque with rockets, killing two people and injuring many others while on their way to Al-Fajr prayers.

Amid the ongoing war in Syria, Khan Al-Sheih camp has faced bombardments with rockets, artilleries and explosive barrels, as well as the siege imposed on its residents before the signing of a reconciliation agreement between the Syrian regime and the armed opposition. 2500 Palestinian refugees were forcibly displaced to Idlib in north Syria.



In another context, AGPS launched the group "Palestinians in Syria | Greece" on Whatsapp yesterday, to strengthen the communication between the Group and the Palestinian-Syrian refugees in Greece.

The Group is specialized in publishing news about the Palestinians in Syria and highlighting their conditions inside and outside of Syria. It does not play any relief roles.



The Group's supervisors will publish the most important news and reports on a daily basis within well-considered criteria, according to the content, numbers and hours of the publications.

The group "Palestinians in Syria | Greece" is one of the specialized groups AGPS launched in a number of countries including Lebanon, Turkey, Germany, Holland, Austria, Sweden and Britain.

Palestinians of Syria: November 11, 2017 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3608, including 463 women
- 1640 Palestinians are locked up behind Syrian government's bars,
 105 of which are women
- Yarmouk refugee camp is under the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine's siege for 1,578 days in a row
- 203 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1315 days, and 1155 days in Yarmouk Camp
- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo have been banned from their homes for 1,651 days. Government troops have taken over the camp for more than 402 days.
- 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
- 8 thousand refugees are staying in Turkey
- One thousand refugees are present in Gaza