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"During a Workshop on the Sidelines of the Annual Session of the Human Rights Council in Geneva, PRC: Several Arab Countries did not Welcome Palestinians of Syria, Forcing them to Ride the Sea"



- A Palestinian Refugee Died Due to Torture in the Syrian Regime Prisons
- Food Aid Distribution Continues to the Yarmouk Residents
- 6 Thousands of Palestinian Displaced Families to Qudseia Area Suffer from Tragic Living Conditions
- Fear of Arrest and being Forced to Perform the Compulsory Military Service, Forces the Youth of Al Raml Camp in Lathakia to Migrate
- The Syrian Security Forces Arrested a Number of Palestinian Refugees in Damascus Suburb
- Director General of the Lebanese General Security Personally Intervened to Allow a Palestinian Girl to Enter Lebanon to Catch up with her Family
- Dozens of Palestinian Refugees Sit-in in Britain in Solidarity with Yarmouk

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Victims

The Palestinian refugee "Mohammed al-Khatib," known as Abu Ibrahim, a resident of the Yarmouk Camp, died due to torture in the prisons of the Syrian regime after being arrested for about year. Activists confirmed to the group that the body has been identified by his family through the leaked pictures of the victims of enforced disappearances in the security branches of the Syrian regime.

It is worth mentioning that "Al-Khatib," is a member of Fatah movement in the Yarmouk refugee camp and was arrested on 23rd of March 2014.



Mohammed al-Khatib

Recent Updates

Palestinian Return Centre in collaboration with Rights of All Foundation in Geneva carried out a workshop on the right of return for Palestinian refugees; the workshop came on the sidelines of the annual session of the Human Rights Council of the United Nations.

A working paper was submitted by a researcher at the Center, "Sadia Dar," which focused on the importance of the right of return of the Palestinian and the legal frameworks that ensured that right.

Where the researcher stressed that the right of return is the only solution to the problem of the Palestinian refugees who suffer from forced a displacement until the moment where they are not welcome in some host countries, which consider them as a population burden.

Adding that "we have seen the ongoing Syrian crisis and the new catastrophe that affected tens of thousands of Palestinian refugees who

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fled the fighting to several Arab countries that did not welcome them, forcing them to ride the sea, where a lot of them died in an attempt to search for a better life."

In his turn, the Director of Media and Public Relations Department at PRC, Mr. "SamehHabib" pointed out the need for the UN to assume its real role to resolve this issue, which exceeded six and half decades, at least through the disengagement of the United Nations organizations with regard to the mandate on the Palestinian refugees in the Diaspora.



Workshop on the right of return for Palestinian refugees

On a different topic, amounts of food rations were distributed yesterday in the Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in Damascus to the besieged people inside the camp at the new distribution area in Palestine Street. The Yarmouk residents still suffer from the continued siege imposed on them by the regular army and PFGC groups for about (613) days respectively, which led to a lack of the basic necessities of life, as they complain about the continued power cut for more than (693) days, and water cut for about 183 days respectively.



Distributing food rations in Yarmouk camp

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In another context, about (6) Thousands Palestinian displaced families in Qudseia town in Damascus suburb are suffering of unstable security situation because of the arrest campaign against their relatives by the Regular Army, and the closure of the roads connecting the town of Qudseia and the city center between now and then, which reflected negatively on them and push many families to flee again from Qudseia area to areas within the city of Damascus and its suburb.

Moreover, those families are suffering from harsh living conditions as a result of high prices and the lack of financial resources for most of these families who had to rent houses with high prices, the thing that resulted in their economic and financial crisis over their plight and the loss of their homes and property in the Palestinian camps.

In Damascus suburb, the Syrian security forces also arrested a number of Palestinian young men from Khan Al Shieh Palestinian refugees' camp; they are: "Ammar Abu Lafi" and "Ali Hussein," where they were arrested by members of the Checkpoint of Al Jadieda town, while the members of Koukab checkpoint arrested each of "Hani Lafi", "Bassam Saeid", and "Abdo Shaker."

Al Raml camp in Lathekia youth live in a worry and fear state especially who are in the age of the compulsory service where they are being arrested by the Security checkpoints all over the city. Those conditions prompted the youth to leave their camps to the surrounding countries as an attempt to reach Europe through sea. The residents of Al Raml camp complain of the unemployment spread amongst them and the high prices of food materials and rent houses.

In Lebanon, The Rehab Reyyad Al Khatib, a 5-year-old girl, from the refugees of Syria was able to enter the Lebanese territories to join her family there after the interference of Mr. Abbas Ibrahim, the General Director of the General Lebanese Security, to put an end to the suffering of the child who was prevented to enter Lebanon according to the closure of the borders for the Palestinians of Syria refugees by the Lebanese authorities.

Rehab was obliged to leave Lebanon earlier to get treatment in Syria because of the high cost of treatment in Lebanon and the carelessness of UNRWA in providing treatment to the Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon

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that prompted the family to send her daughter to her grandmother to get treatment then she can join her family in Lebanon, at that time the Lebanese authorities were not having that decision of preventing the Palestinian refugees to enter Lebanon.



This comes in light of the intensive efforts of the Palestinian Association for Human Rights "Witness" to let the girl join her family in Lebanon, where a delegation from the Association received the girl Rehab in the Factory Area and delivered her to her father Reyad AlKhatibafter getting the temporary visa with the efforts of Mr. Abbas Ibrahim the Major General in person.

The Palestinian Association for Human Rights "Witness" insured in a statement that the case of Rehab Al Khatib was a blatant example about the suffering of the Palestinian refugees in Syria where they were divided between Lebanon, Syria and other countries. UNRWA doesn't fulfill its humanitarian duties towards the Palestinian refugees neither on the level of the legal protection or on the level of the humanitarian aids.



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The Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon don't have any legal status that enable them to live easily, the exceptional conditions prompted some of them to leave Lebanon to Europe using illegal ways which expose them to a continuous danger. It is worthy to mention that the number of the Palestinians of Syria who resorted to Lebanon due to the war in Syria reached 51.000 refugees according to previous statistics for UNRWA.

In Britain, dozens of Palestinian youth carried out a solidarity sit-in with their people in Syria specially the besieged residents of the Yarmouk camp in front of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees in London. The protestors demanded to end the Yarmouk siege, save the Palestinian refugees in Syria and to put pressure on the international organizations to resume their responsibilities towards the Palestinians of Syria.

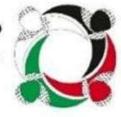


The solidarity sit-In with their people in Syria

Numbers and Statistics till 11/3/2015:-

- At least 27933 Palestinian Syrian refugees have reached Europe during the last 4 years.
- 2685 Palestinian victims were documented by the AGPS.
- The Yarmouk Camp: Siege, imposed by the Regular Army and PFGC, continued for 613 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 693 days, water was cut for 183 days respectively. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 172 victims.
- 80,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees escaped from Syria to the neighboring towns, including 10,687 refugees in Jordan, 51,300 in

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Lebanon and **6,000** refugees in Egypt, according to UNRWA statistics till February 2015.

- Al Husayneyya Camp: Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 515 days respectively.
- Al Sbeina Camp: Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 484 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: Residents have left the camp for 686 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: It is now almost 330 days without water and 70% of its buildings were demolished.
- Jermana, AL SaiedaZAinab, 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.