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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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"ISIS Strikes Al-Rija Square in Blockaded Yarmouk"



- Palestinian refugees kidnapped by Syrian forces over name resemblance, blood relationship with wanted suspects
- Displaced Palestinians grappling with abject conditions in Syrian shelters
- Palestine Charity Commission equips ambulance to evacuate sick civilians in southern Damascus

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### Latest Developments

ISIS militias on Wednesday struck the Fatah Al-Sham-led Al-Rija Square in Yarmouk Camp with mortar shells, resulting in material damage.

A tough siege has been imposed on Yarmouk Camp by the regime army and its Palestinian abettors for over 1,303 consecutive days.

Residents of the western Yarmouk neighborhoods of Al-Rija, Jadat, Ein Ghazal, Street 15, and Al-Thalatheen Street, have been subjected to dire living conditions due to the twofold siege slapped by the regime troops and ISIS militias on the area on account that it is controlled by Fatah Al-Sham.



Meanwhile, newly-released Palestinian detainees told AGPS that they were kidnapped by the Syrian government forces for being relatives of wanted suspects. Others said they were kidnapped due to name resemblance.



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The ex-detainees said they have been enduring harsh tactics of psychophysical torture, including exhausting inter-prison transfers.

Traces of heavy beating still figure on the body of a number of exdetainees. A Palestinian refugee showed marks of torture in his hands after the Syrian regime troops handcuffed him with electricity hooks and aggressively beat him. However, it turned out later that he was the wrong person.

Dozens of Palestinian refugees have been arbitrarily kidnapped by the Syrian government battalions while several others were tortured to death in the regime penitentiaries. Other arrestees have been forcibly enlisted as military conscripts at a pro-government brigade.

AGPS kept record of the names of 1,145 Palestinian refugees held in Syrian government jails, most of whose fates have remained shrouded in mystery.

In a related development, Palestinians sheltered in Syrian sanctuaries have launched a cry for help over the unbearable conditions that they have been made to endure in such a freezing wintry weather.

A displaced Palestinian refugee spoke up for the families' urgent need for heating kit, including firewood, and winter clothes and garments for their children.

He appealed to the concerned charities to urgently step in and provide the displaced Palestinians with much-need blankets, foodstuff, fuel, and heating equipment quite urgently needed for survival in such a freezing season.



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Another refugee spoke out against the over-crowdedness and power blackouts rocking Palestinian shelters in Syria.

Thousands of Palestinian refugees fled their shelters in the embattled Syrian territories for fear of being killed in the raging warfare.



#### Civil Action Commissions

The Palestine Charity Commission in Yalda town, in southern Damascus, announced on its Facebook page that it has equipped an ambulance to evacuate the sick civilians as part of underway efforts to assuage the crisis endured by Yalda residents and those displaced from Yarmouk.

Speaking with AGPS, a paramedic said the ambulance has been well equipped to transfer the sick and injured civilians, along with expectant mothers, to local hospitals.

A medical crew will also be available around the clock for emergency cases.



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The Palestine Charity Commission continues *to* provide the displaced residents of Yarmouk who fled to Yalda, Beit Sahm, and Babilla, with relief assistance and life-saving items, including water and medicines.



### Palestinians of Syria: January 12, 2017 Statistics:

- At least 3,419 Palestinians, including 455 women, were killed in war-torn Syria.
- 1,145 Palestinian refugees, including 80 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 1,303 days in a row.
- 190 Palestinians died of undernourishment and medical neglect in the blockaded Yarmouk Camp.
- Water supplies cut off in Deraa and Yarmouk camps respectively for 1,007 and 822 days.



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- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 1,350 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 83 days.
- Government troops ban residents of Al-Sbiena Camp from returning to their homes for 1,156 days running.
- Over 79,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees fled to Europe until mid 2016.
- 31,000 Palestinians from Syria are housed in Lebanon.
- 17 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.