

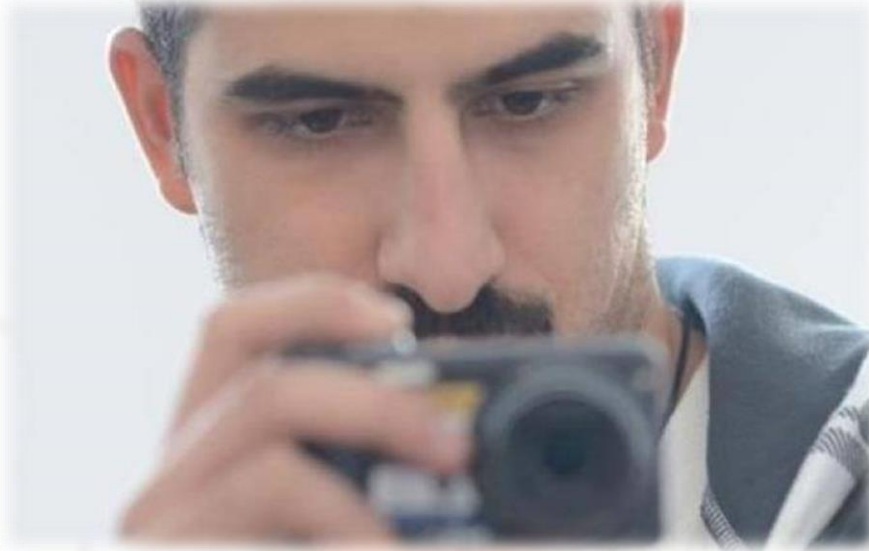


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"Family of Torture Victim Bassel AlSafadi Urge Syrian Gov't to Release His Body"



- **Palestinian Woman Released from Syrian Detention Center**
- **Palestinian Refugee Samer Rafe' Injured**
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Latest Developments

The family of the Palestinian engineer and cyber activist Bassel Khartabil AlSafadi urged, in a statement emailed to AGPS, the Syrian government to hand over their relative's body so as to bid him last farewell and bury him at the soonest time possible.

AlSafadi's family expressed gratitude to all those who rallied round them, voicing hope that solidarity campaigns would live up to Bassel's peaceful approach.



The family expressed its solidarity with thousands of detainees in Syrian lock-ups and their families.

AlSafadi's family called for cancelling exceptional field military courts and death penalties and opting for fair trials in line with the Syrian and international laws.

Responding to news, several states and human rights institutions, including the US, condemned, in the strongest terms, the extrajudicial



execution of the human rights activist Khartabil in detention in Syrian government jails, where he had been locked up for three years.

Human rights institutions also expressed their outrage over the repeated acts of brutality, including torture, and extra-judicial executions, conducted by the Syrian regime.

The Syrian government executed the Palestinian web developer and cyber activist Bassel Khartabil AlSafadi in 2015, his family said.

The execution of Bassel Khartabil was carried out days after he was moved to the Adra prison on October 3, 2015.

Bassel was kidnapped by the Syrian intelligence forces on March 15, 2012 and detained for eight months before he was transferred to the Adra prison in Damascus in December 2012. Basel had been subjected to harsh torture in the Adra lock-up.

The computer engineer is credited with vastly extending online access and knowledge and was a regular contributor to Wikipedia, Mozilla Firefox, and Open Clip Art, among other international encyclopedias, web browsers, and corporations.

In a related development, the Syrian government forces released a Palestinian woman after they arrested her on August 4 on her way out of blockaded Yarmouk to Damascus via the AlQadam checkpoint.

The abduction was carried out on allegations that the women funneled funds to terror groups. AGPS has kept the woman's name under wraps over security concerns.



Meanwhile, Palestinian young man Samer Rafe', the military commander of the pro-government Liwaa AlQuds battalion, was reportedly left injured in bloody hostilities in Hama suburbs.

Samer, a resident of AlNeirab Camp, was tasked with commanding field operations following the death of his brother, Mohamed, in clashes with the opposition outfits last year.

AGPS documented the death of 159 Palestinians sheltered in AlNeirab Camp since the outburst of the Syrian warfare.

In the meantime, AGPS has issued its 15th statistical annual report, which documented the death of 3,521 Palestinian refugees since the outburst of Syria's warfare, in March 2011, until June 2017.

The statistics-based report provides data on Palestinian victims and detainees. The first chapter covers the number of victims and detainees from March 2011 to June 2017; the second chapter sheds light on the number of Palestinians killed during the first half of 2017; as for the third chapter it is devoted to statistics on the Palestinians of Syria in neighboring countries and Europe.

The report includes fact-based diagrams and charts on the spatio-temporal distribution of victims and detainees, along with their age, gender, and status (militant/ non-militant).

AGPS does not side with any warring party and believes that guilty verdicts should only be delivered by such international bodies as the International Criminal Court, among other legislative parties investigating charges of war crimes and crimes against humanity.



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Civil Action

Psycho-educational activities, including swimming and wall painting, were held by Jafra Child's Friend Center to hundreds of children displaced from Yarmouk and other nearby towns in war-torn Syria.

The event dovetails underway endeavors to tone down the psychological weight of trauma wrought on war-affected children.

Palestinian children in refugee camps across the ravaged Syrian territories have been the permanent targets of arbitrary abduction sweeps and human rights violations in Syria. Dozens died as a result of undernourishment and medical neglect in besieged refugee camps. Shelling took away the lives of dozens more.





Palestinians of Syria: August 14, 2017 Statistics:

- *At least 3,556 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 1,480 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 1,219 and 1,068 days.*
- *Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 1,562 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 315 days.*
- *Nearly 85,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria fled to Europe until the end of 2016.*
- *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.*