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"Imposed siege on Yarmouk camp amid an extreme rise in the prices of food supplies in the south of Damascus"

- Death of a Palestinian in Deir ez-Zour, east of Syria
- Palestinian-Syrian detained in the Thailand prisons calls out for his release
- Jafra Relief and Development Youth Foundation distributes food aid to 300 Palestinian families in the Barza neighborhood



Victims:

Palestinian "Ahmed Ghassan Shareeh" from Al-Neirab camp in Aleppo, has died during the ongoing clashes in Deir ez-Zour, east of Syria, between the Syrian regime forces and ISIS.

Shareeh had joined the opposition ranks in Aleppo, in the beginning of the Syrian war.



Latest Developments:

The Syrian regime imposed a suffocating siege on Yarmouk camp, after closing the Babilla-Sidi Makdad barrier. The Syrian opposition factions had reopened Al-Oroba barrier in Al-Nakheel Road, separating between the camp and Yelda, in front of the civilians besieged inside Yarmouk. The regime had given the opposition factions in the towns of south Damascus (Yelda, Babilla, Beit Sahm) the choice of either closing Al-Oroba barrier or the Babilla-Sidi Makdad barrier.

On their part, a number of activists, relief foundations and civil society, warned of a humanitarian crisis in Yarmouk camp, resulting from the closure of all the barriers and crossings leading to it by the



Syrian regime. The regime forced a total siege on the camp's main entrance in mid-2013, banning the entry of food supplies, fuel and medicine. Recently, it also closed Al-Qadam - Al-Assaly barrier and prevented the entry of any food supplies through it, in addition to pressurizing the Syrian opposition factions in the towns of south Damascus, to close Al-Oroba barrier, which is one of the main ports for the arrival of food supplies to those under siege inside the camp.

AGPS's statistics have revealed that almost 200 refugees from Yarmouk camp have died as a result of the siege and the lack of medical care.



AGPS's correspondent reported that the markets in the towns of south Damascus witnessed a vigorous increase in the prices of food supplies, because of the tightened security imposed by the regime on the Babilla-Sidi Makdad Checkpoint. The regime banned residents from entering large amounts of food, allowing each person only one kilogram of some of the supplies that were permitted. One bag of bread was allowed for each woman entering through the barrier, after being searched accurately. Rice and sugar were not seen in the market, as some traders monopolized certain items to raise their prices. One loaf of bread has reached 100 Syrian pounds.



This comes amid complex living crises suffered by the residents of the camp. Water and electricity are completely cut from the camp, in addition to an extreme lack of medical services, as well as UNRWA stopping its services under the pretext of the security condition in the region.

In another context, Palestinian-Syrian refugee "Eyad Soliman," detained in a prison in the Kingdom of Thailand, has called out for help through AGPS, appealing to the international institutions, Human Rights and civil society to rapidly interfere to release him and put an end to his tragedy.

In his message to AGPS, Soliman said that the suffering of his immigration began when he entered Thailand in 2013, in order to meet with the UNHCR and requesting an immigration to a European country through it.



He added that after his travel permit expired, he remained hidden, waiting for the UNHCR to transfer him to a European country. However, on the 9th of November, he was arrested for the expiry of his travel permit and taken to one of the prisons in Thailand.



Soliman added that after contacting the UNHCR, it said it will be unable to offer any help because the Government in Thailand does not treat the refugees as if they are feeling a war. It treats them as if they are disobeying the country's law.

The authorities in Thailand arrested a number of Palestinian-Syrians and Syrians, for holding expired residency. It detained them in its prisons, which have been internationally ranked as one of the worst.

On its part, AGPS calls on all rights parties, Human Rights organizations, official Palestinian and Arab institutions and the authorities in Thailand, to work on releasing the Palestinian refugee "Eyad Soliman," who is detained in Thailand and treating him according to the laws and international ethics that guarantee the rights and dignity of war refugees.

Local Work Committees:

Jafra Relief and Development Youth Foundation distributed approximately 300 shares of food supplies to the Palestinian families living in the Barza neighborhood.

According to the Foundation, the distribution of food aid comes within its efforts to support the families and a human commitment towards them.

Most of the Palestinian families in Syria are suffering from unemployment and a lack of income, after most of the employees lost their jobs due to the war.



Palestinians of Syria: November 14, 2017 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3609, 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 1,581 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 1318 days, and 1158 days in Yarmouk Camp
- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo have been banned from their homes for 1,654 days. Government troops have taken over the camp for more than 417 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