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"Tombs Prices and finding a place to bury the dead, suffered by Al Yarmouk camp refugees in Syria"



- Warplanes launched two raids on Al Muzeireeb Town south of Syria.
- Security harassment in the Al-Aydeen camp in Homs affects street vendors.
- Releasing a Palestinian refugee, hours after arrest on Babbila Sedy Mekdad checkpoint.
- Syrian security continues the detention of Palestinian refugee "Qadri Ismail"
- UNRWA distributes relief aid to residents of Al Yarmouk and the displaced.

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Death became an scary concern for the residents of Al-Yarmuk camp who are displaced to the adjacent areas, as there tragedy is not reflected by the loss of their beloved ones only, but also in how to bury them, due to the high cost of the graves and the difficulty of finding a place to bury in, as well as the difficulties of burying outside the camp where they get the exploited.

According to one of the activists; some cemeteries at Damascus, such as Al-Haqla, rent tombs for a limited period to the Palestinian dead, three years for 300,000 SYP (the equivalent of \$800), this means that it could be renewed for another years or dead body should be transferred to another tomb.



The price of a toms in the Albab Alsagher cemetery in Damascus had reached 1,300,000 SYP (equals about \$1,100), this pushed the people to go to the Palestinian embassy in Damascus demanding its ambassador to intervene with the Syrian authorities and the opposition groups which control Al-Yarmouk camp to allow them to bury their dead inside the



camp. In its turn; the Palestinian embassy contacted both parties who have agreed.

Activists said the problem did not end here, because of the bad economic situation lived by people of the Al-Yarmouk camp: most of them can't afford the burying costs, which is around 13,000 and 18,000 SYP, that includes digging the grave, and the price of the stones required, tiles coverage ,concrete and transportation fares from Beit Sahem checkpoint to the beginning of Aluroba Street. Despite the appeals for many stakeholders to help paying the fees for burial, those appeals gone unheeded

In Southern Syria; warplanes raided the town of Al-Muzeireeb in Daraa, home of about 8,500 Palestinian refugees, the AGPS correspondent reported that the residents were in a state of panic, especially the children, as a result of those attacks, which caused chaos and destruction in the region.



The town's residents are suffering difficult living conditions, in addition to a state of constant tension because of explosive barrels, rockets and



mortars; the town has been subjected several times to bombing from Syrian aircraft that wasted the lives of dozens of residents of the town.

Turning to the middle of Syria, the Syrian security forces applied additional procedures in Al-Aydeen Camp of Homs, the security point of the camp which is related to the Syrian "political security" branch, summoned peddlers of the camp, to fill out questionnaires concerning their security information, their whereabouts daily, their daily locations in the streets and the kind of their work.

Activists believe that this step comes as part of systematic approach to push the residents of the camp to leave the camp and migrate, in addition to the the Syrian security forces continues acts to extort the shops' owners to pay royalties to allow them continue their work.

The Syrian Security has issued earlier a decision for all vendors in the camp to prevent the sale of their goods on the streets. Also, the security patrols on 22.7.2015 prevented all the people of the camp from setting up tents for funerals in the streets of the camp which people have been doing for so many years because of the small houses.

Syrian security releases Palestinian refugee "Ola Ukleh Mohamed", after being arrested by soldiers of Babbila Sedy Mekdad checkpoint of the Syrian security for several hours, during exiting the southern area of Damascus.

The monitoring and documentation team in the AGPS said they have documented 425 Palestinian woman killed since the beginning of the war in Syria.



The AGPS' statistics indicate that (75) refugees are still under arrest in branches of Syrian security and intelligence services.

In the same context, the Syrian regime continues the detention of the Palestinian refugee "Sobhi Ismail Kadri" 49-years-old since the date of 18.06.2015 until this moment, when he was passing the checkpoint of Al-Yarmouk which is controlled by the Syrian regime and the Palestinian groups loyal to it, a province resident of Aleppo, There weren't any information about his whereabouts or conditions of his detention.



Returning to the south of Damascus, after a stoppage of several months, the UNRWA distribute 200 relief parcels to the residents of Al Yarmouk refugee camp in the town of Yalda.

It is noteworthy that UNRWA had suspended the distribution of food aid within Al-Yarmouk refugee camp since the month of April 2015 due to the unsafe conditions in terms of their employees as a result of the security tension between armed groups on one hand, and the regular army and the Palestinian factions loyal to it on the other hand, and especially after ISIS' breaking into the camp which made most of the relief organizations stop work their work within the camp.



Palestinians of Syria in numbers and statistics Until 15 February 2016

- *15,500 Palestinian Syrian refugees in Jordan, 42,500 Palestinian Syrian refugees in Lebanon, and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to the UNRWA's statistics till July 2015.*
- *More than 71,200 Palestinian Syrian refugees have arrived Europe until the end of December 2015.*
- *The Yarmouk Camp: still under siege imposed by the Syrian Regime's Army and PFLP-GC (Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine – General Command), continued for 975 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 1037 days, water cut for 525 days. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 186 victims.*
- *Al Sbeina Camp: Syrian Regime's Army still preventing the residents from returning back to their houses for 831 days respectively.*
- *Handarat Camp: All of its residents have left the camp for 1023 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.*
- *Dara'a Camp: Running water cut continues for 685 days, and 70% of its buildings were destroyed.*
- *Jarmana, AL-SaiedaZainab, Al-Raml, Al-Aedein Homs and AedeinHama: A relatively quiet situations 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 EShieh road.*