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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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"The Delays Of Residencies And Family Reunion Are The Most Refugees' Problems In Sweden"



- Syrian security releases a Palestinian refugee from Homs camp.
- Palestinians of Syria participate in a protest at EU headquarter in Beirut condemning UNRAW recent decisions.
- Aid distribution to Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon.
- NGOs organise a tour of Palestinian refugees from Syria in two refugee centres in the Netherlands.

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The Palestinian refugees, who fled the war-torn country of Syria, complain of the delays in the residency and reunion family processes. Some residencies need one year period or more, which affect the procedures of family reunion. In its turn, the family reunion process itself takes



between 4-8 months after the interview with the family in the Swedish embassy. Some obstacles facing the applicants; the most problems are the inability to collect the official papers from the war-torn country. The Syrian authority requires attendance in person for papers to be collected.

The delays have been caused by the backlog of family reunion applications in Swedish embassies, where the appointment takes 4-8 months to be scheduled; in the sense that the whole process may needs 8-16 months.

It is indicated that the number of Palestinians from Syria in Europe reached (71.2) thousands, according to the statistics of AGPS.

In a different context, the Syrian security released "Omar Mohammed Al-Omar", Palestinian refugee from Homs camp. Al-Omar had been arrested for 8 months in the Syrian prisons. It is worth mentioning that (1057) detainees, (186) of them from Homs camp, are still in enforced disappearance.

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In Lebanon, Palestinians from Syria have participated in the protest staged at headquarter of EU mission in Beirut. The protest was one of series activities against UNRWA's decisions about services cutting, which affected severely the living condition of Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon.



NGOs

In the Netherlands, Albayt Alfalastini institution has organised a visit to Den Helder city, where Palestinian refugees from Syria reside in the two, permanent and temporary, refugee centres. The tour aimed to provide assistance and legal consultancies to Palestinian refugees in the centres, the institution said.

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It is noteworthy that the Netherlands is one of the most receiving countries of refugees in Europe, where received thousands of Palestinians from Syria.



Turning to Lebanon, the Charity for Relief of Palestinian People in cooperating with Islamic Relief distributed assistance to Palestinian refugees from Syria in Wadi Al-Zaini south Lebanon and Borj-Albarajneh in Beirut. The aid included food packages and winter blankets distributed to (275) families.

Palestinians of Syria in numbers and statistics Until 19 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

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Palestine – General Command), continued for 979 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 1037 days, water cut for 529 days. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 186 victims.

- Al Sheina Camp: Syrian Regime's Army still preventing the residents from returning back to their houses for 835 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: All of its residents have left the camp for 1028 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: Running water cut continues for 689 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.