



التقرير اليومي الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

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"Palestinian-Syrians in Lebanon Complain about the Relief Foundations' Neglect"



- Palestinian-Syrians in Qusayya suffer from the siege's ravages.
- (250) Palestinian-Syrian families in Eastern Gota suffer from harsh living circumstances.
- Tragedy of a Palestinian-Syrian family in Ain-Al-Hilwa camp.
- When the medical work becomes a crime; Palestinian medical staff under arrest for many years.
- Drowning of 18 immigrants during their attempt to reach Greece.
- Palestinian-Syrian refugee awarded Beethoven Prize for Human Rights and Peace.

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LEBANON

The AGPS has received many letters from Palestinian-Syrians live outside the Palestinian camps of Lebanon complaining about the inefficient relief works which focused on camps' residents more than them.

They demanded the relief associations to come over and have a close look on their situation, and called for the charity donors to make fast action to assist families in need for heating fuel and the minimum necessities of living.

The UNRWA had suspended its Palestinian-Syrians dedicated shelter aid while other relief associations had minimized its aid to the minimum extent.

The estimated census of Palestinian-Syrians in Lebanon is 45,000 refugees distributed inside and outside the Palestinian Camps.



RECENT UPDATES

The Palestinian-Syrians displaced from Al-Yarmouk camp to Qusayya town live in a real tragedy because of the imposed siege over the town by the regime's army after kidnaping one of its soldiers by the armed opposition forces in 23 July 2015.

The blockade state reflected negatively on life inside the town, where markets witnessed notable rise of prices and lack of specific kinds of



goods, and rise of house rents added to the prevention of movement to all Palestinians except the employees, also the prevention of letting any goods into the town unless paid a fine to checkpoint members.

The spread of unemployment and the loss of financial sources "turned life inside Qudsayya into hell" according to a Palestinian resident, while Im-Elabed, another Palestinian resident says: "We escaped from Al-Yarmouk camp aiming for a better life, but now I think that life inside the camp could be better, here we lack food and money and barely can afford house rent, we cannot tolerate this status any longer, especially that no committees to represent us here and we are completely dependent to the relationship between the regime's army and the opposition forces". It is noteworthy that Qusayya town had received about 6,000 Palestinian families fled their camps.

Turning to Eastern Gota, about 250 Palestinian families live in Douma, Zamalka, Hammouria, and Hazza, called through the AGPS for all international bodies especially the UNRWA and official bodies of Palestinian Authority and PLO and the Palestinian Embassy in Damascus and relief organizations to assist them and put an end to their continuous suffering, as they live inside the blockade of the regime's army since September 2013.





CIVIL SOCIETY WORKS

As part of its visits program, the "Palestinian-Syrians in Lebanon Committee" has visited "Abu-Zakariya" in his house in Ain-Al-Hilwa camp in Sidon, in order to get to know about refugees' living conditions and to shed a light about their issue.

Members of the Committee described the status of the 20-members-family as tragic and miserable, since they all live in one house including three crippled children in need of \$150 medicine cost monthly, in addition to an elderly woman who has nervous disease in need of medicine valued at \$200 monthly, with no one to look after them.

Abu-Zakariya's family entreated to all official Palestinian bodies and PLO and UNRWA in particular to make immediate action to help them and help Palestinian-Syrians in general.

It is noteworthy that the number of Palestinian-Syrians inside Ain-El-Hilwah camp estimated at 1,400 families, 40 families live in Al-Kifah evacuation center inside the camp.



VIOLATIONS

The Syrian Security Branches continue arresting many Palestinian medical staff who are unaccounted for, while many others were tortured to death inside the prisons because of the working as



medical and humanitarian staff and providing first aid services to wounded people.

The AGPS has document many unaccounted for doctors, such as:

- "Dr. Ha'el Qasim Hammid", 67-years-old general surgery doctor and professor at Damascus University's Faculty of Medicine, worked as president of General Surgery Department in Assad University Hospital, and was arrested by Syrian regime's security after breaking into his clinic in Al-Yarmouk camp in charges of treating suspicious people.
- "Dr. Aladdin Yousef" 62-years-old neurological surgery doctor was residing in Al-Yarmouk camp and was arrested on its checkpoint in 25 December 2012.
- "Dr. Malik Mohammad Yousef" a 4th year post-graduate dentistry student, was arrested at Damascus University's Faculty of Dentistry in 25 May 2013.

It is important to mention that the medical staff and medical foundations in Al-Yarmouk camp had underwent serious abuses by the regime's army and security forces, bombing of hospitals and targeting ambulances, and arresting and killing medical staff at other times putting end to lives of dozens of paramedics, nurses, specialists and pharmacists.

Until now the Syrian security refuses to reveal the fate of the Palestinian medical staff arrestees and their real number.

GREECE

Turkish media reported that the 18 migrants drowned on Friday-Saturday night in the Aegean Sea off the western coast of Turkey, following the sinking of their boat which was heading to the Greek Kalymnos Island. Dogan News Agency mentioned that the Turkish Coastguards managed to save 14 others who were Syrians and Iraqis and Pakistanis.



It is noteworthy that the Turkish coast is the starting point for hundreds of boats carrying refugees fleeing the war in Syria to Europe, and thousands of Palestinian refugees departed that beach and arrived to Greece or Italy.

GERMANY

Beethoven Prize of human rights and peace in Bonn, German, was awarded to the Palestinian-Syrian refugee "Ayham Ahmad" 27-years-old who resides in Germany, for playing his music against the war in the Yarmouk Palestinian refugee camp in Damascus.

Ayham won the title when he was playing in front of thousands at a ceremony in Munich dedicated to help refugees.

It is noteworthy that "Ayham" studied music in Damascus and Homs in Syria, and he used to play the piano between the destruction and devastation in the Yarmouk camp, after that he fled Syria, and now he lives in the initial reception center of refugees in Kirchheim Germany, where he has been playing and singing of children of refugees there.





Palestinians of Syria in numbers and statistics Until 19 December 2015

- 15,500 Palestinian Syrian refugees in Jordan, 45,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees in Lebanon, and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to the UNRWA's statistics till July 2015.
- More than 36,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees have arrived Europe during the last 4 years.
- 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 901 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 971 days, water cut for 461 days. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 184 victims .
- Al Sbeina Camp: Syrian Regime's Army still preventing the residents from returning back to their houses for 762 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: All of its residents have left the camp for 963 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: Running water cut continues for 607 days, and 70% of its buildings were destroyed.
- Jarmana, AL Saieda Zainab, Al Raml, Al Aedein Homs and Aedein Hamma: 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 Al Shieh road.