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"Regime forces target Yarmouk camp using mortars amid violent attack by ISIS on opposition factions in south Damascus"

- Clashes in south Damascus lead to a number of victims and residents evacuate areas of fighting
- After closing "Al-Orouba" crossing, the armed Syrian opposition forces close "Al-Maazaneya" crossing in front of Yarmouk camp's residents
- Syrian forces target Deraa camp's neighborhoods using mortar shells

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Latest Developments

The Syrian regime forces and the factions affiliated to it, targeted Al-Shohadaa sector, Al-Karaeen sector and Palestine Road in Yarmouk camp using mortar shells yesterday.

Media pages loyal to the regime confirmed that it targeted artillery belonging to the Palestine Liberation Army, in cooperation with the 235 branch of the Syrian security, using several mortar shells.

The shelling was accompanied by violent clashes between ISIS and the “Free Palestine” movement that is affiliated to the Syrian regime, in “Al-Shohadaa” sector.



In another context, ISIS violently attacked the “Japanese Hospital” and “Al-Ezz ibn Abd Al-Salam” school located at the intersection of Yarmouk camp, Yelda and Al-Tadamon neighborhood, yesterday. The attack led to its control of the two points – the hospital and school – and quickly violent clashes erupted between “Jaish Al-Islam” and the “Aknaf Beit Al-Maqdes” and “Sham Al-Rasool” battalions, which led to the restoration of control of the hospital.



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The violent clashes were centered close to the UNRWA clinic and the delegates' high school, where the opposition groups blocked attacks by ISIS at those points that are under the opposition's control.

The Damascus Brigade announced that it had targeted ISIS's sites and fortifications with heavy machine guns, explosive devices and light weapons on the front of the "Zalikha" area in "Al-Tadamon" neighborhood.

The Brigade said that the operation came "with the aim of easing the pressure on the rebel battalions in front of the swimming pool and school on the outskirts of the Yarmouk camp, which were facing an attack by ISIS on these sites."

AGPS's reporter in south Damascus a number of victims were killed in the ranks of the fighting groups, following violent clashes between ISIS and the armed Syrian opposition factions.



Our correspondent reported the death of two fighters from "Jaish Al-Islam" and "Aknafe Beit Al-Maqdes" as well as several injuries, in addition to the death of three members of ISIS.



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Our correspondent confirmed the eviction of residents living near the main points of the fighting between Yarmouk camp and Yelda town at the swimming pool axis. No casualties were recorded among the civilians.

ISIS had taken control of Yamrouk camp with the aid and support of the members of Al-Nusra Front that were inside the camp. This led to the displacement of thousands of the camp's residents to the neighboring towns, after fearing their lives. The Syrian regime and its affiliated factions continue to impose a siege on the camp, preventing its residents from leaving or returning to it.

In a similar context, the armed Syrian opposition factions continue to close "Al-Orouba" crossing for the fourth consecutive day and according to our correspondent, members of the opposition are preventing the movement of residents and goods through the crossing.

Our correspondent also confirmed the news that the Syrian opposition factions were preventing the people of Yarmouk refugee camp in Damascus from reaching "Al-Maazaneya" neighborhood through Al-Qadam, which increased the suffering of the people.

Our reporter added that the members of "Al-Maazaneya" barrier affiliated to "Agnaad Al-Shaam" faction, banned men from the camp from crossing to the neighborhood to buy their families' necessities. The members allowed a number of traders to sell limited amounts of the necessary food supplies to the residents at the barrier, without entering.



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The Syrian opposition factions had revealed that the reason for closing the crossing was to pressurize and punish ISIS for its frequent targeting of checkpoints between the areas of control by the two sides, in Yarmouk camp and Al-Hajar Al-Aswad neighborhood in south Damascus.

In the meantime, the Syrian regime forces targeted Deraa camp for Palestinian refugees in south Damascus, using a number of mortar shells, today.

According to our correspondent in the camp, the regime forces bombarded the camp with three mortar shells, targeting the civilian houses, causing destruction to them. The minaret of Al-Quds Mosque was also hit by a number of machine-gun shots.

Almost 80% of Deraa camp's buildings have been destroyed and its residents and the families living on Al-Sad Road are complaining of the tough humanitarian conditions, due to the siege imposed by the Syrian regime forces on the camp and its neighboring areas. They are also suffering from the extreme lack of food supplies and the continuous water, electricity and communication cuts.





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Palestinians of Syria: October 20, 2017 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3601, including 462 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 1,556 days in a row
- 200 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1293 days, and 1133 days in Yarmouk Camp
- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo have been banned from their homes for 1,629 days. Government troops have taken over the camp for more than 380 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