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"7 Palestinians Died during the Last 48 Hours and the AGPS and Palestinian Return Center Appealed a Number of International Bodies"



- Severe Health Deterioration of one of the Detainees who are in a Hunger Strike in Karmouz Prison in Egypt.
- Water, Health, and Nutrition Crises still Continue in the Yarmouk Camp in Damascus.
- A Palestinian Engineer was Released after being Detained by the Syrian Armed Opposition for about a Year and a Half.
- The Syrian Security Forces Release a Palestinian Refugee from Al Aedein Camp and Arrest Another.

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Victims

Rapid increase in the number of the PLA victims, as the AGPS receives news about the death of 7 members during the last 48 hours after they were forced to support the SRA in the ongoing battles in Damascus suburb. According to this news, which the AGPS could not assure it from other sources; the victims are: Ayman Mahmoud Mohammed, Mohammed Mahmoud Al Saedi, Ammar Ahmed Ahmed, Basil Mahmoud Abdullah, and Husam Ahmed Al Daya. The victims were killed on Thursday, 20th of February 2015, during the ongoing battles between the SRA and the SOG at Tal Kurdi in Adraa area in Damascus suburb, while the sergeant "Nasr AL Dein Skereik" died at Deir Ali town in al Kiswa area.

The death of the 7 victims has raised the toll of the PLA victims, who were documented by the AGPS till 20th of this month, to 114 victims.

Meanwhile, news reported the death of Ayman Al Saadi from the Yarmouk Camp who died due to torture in one of the Syrian regime's security branches, raising the toll of the torture victims to 294, according to the AGPS documentary statistics.

Recent Updates

Each of the Action Group for Palestinians of Syria in London and the Palestinian Return Center, on Friday 20th of February 2015, delivered explanatory messages about the suffering of the Palestinian and the Syrian refugees to each of the British Government and the UNHCR.

The messages addressed the context of the last documentary report that was issued by the each of PRC and AGPS in London in the beginning of the last month, which entitled "Palestinians of Syrian... The Wound is still Bleeding" which addressed the suffering of the Palestinian and Syrian refugees in details based on the statistics that were documented by the AGPS during the last 4 years.

The messages stressed on the deteriorated suffering of the Palestinian Syrian refugees in a number of the European countries where they fled, especially after the UNHCR refused to help and provide the legal support to them in the pretext that they are registered at the UNRWA.

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However, UNRWA did not provide the refugees with any of its services in the pretext that most of these European countries are out of its scope of work, preventing them of receiving any humanitarian or legal aids by any international body. The messages also confirmed the necessity to work in order to end the Yarmouk siege and to stop the daily violations against the Palestinian refugees in Syria, as well as to return them back to their camps.

The messages demanded to expand the UNRWA scope to include the Palestinian Syrian refugees in Egypt, Turkey, and Libya, in addition to put pressure at those countries to provide the refugees with protection and help.

It also noted the need to end the disputes between the UNRWA and the UNHCR about representing the refugees outside of Syria. Finally, the messages concluded with emphasizing the need to work for helping the Palestinian Syrian refugees until they return back to their original homeland "Palestine".

On the other hand, Karmouz prison in the Egyptian city of Alexandria, witnessed at dawn yesterday, a deterioration in the health of a Palestinian detainees who are on hunger strike for (12) days, as the officer in charge of the prison call an ambulance to transfer him to the hospital. Dozens of Palestinian and Syrian refugees continue their hunger strike until achieving their demand to be transferred to the European countries where their relatives reside.

For her turn, the media department official Assistant at the UNHCR, Marwa Hashim, said, in a press statement to an Egyptian newspaper: "The Commission is monitoring the situation closely to ensure the immediate humanitarian response in a coordinated way, as well as it provided them with medical, psychological and social support through its partners, in addition, it provided them with food for those who did not participate in the hunger strike. She also added, "the Commission is to continue its dialogue with the authorities for the release of the entire detained group".

It should be noted that the Egyptian authorities have arrested "56" Palestinian refugees from Syria while trying to reach Italy from Turkish beaches 112 days ago, the refugees were victims of a scam smugglers who left them on an island off the Egyptian beaches.

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Deterioration in the health of a Palestinian detainee in Karmouz prison

Turning to the Syrian capital Damascus, where the living crisis at the Yarmouk camp is still deteriorating due to the continued siege imposed by the Regular army and groups of the Popular Front - General Command (594) days respectively, while water cuts for (164) days respectively. The camp is witnessing a severe shortage of food and medical supplies that caused the death of 166 refugees so far as a result of starvation and lack of medical care in Yarmouk.



Waiting for food in Yarmouk camp

Meanwhile, some newspapers affiliated to the Syrian regime shared, on the (Facebook), news reported the release of the Palestinian engineer

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"Hasan Droubi" who was detained by the Syrian armed opposition for about a year and a half in Doma town in Damascus suburb, while Reports indicated that "Droubi" has served as director of the Institute of electricity in the town of Adra.

In Homs, the Syrian security forces arrested the Palestinian young man, "Mahmoud Khaled Mahmoud Shatara" from Al Aedein camp since 2nd of February 2015, as he was arrested twice before.

In the same context, the Syrian security forces released the college student, "Mohamed Ahmed Qasad," from Al Aedein camp in Homs, on 18th of Feb., after he was detained for more than 4 months.

Numbers and Statistics till 20/2/2015:-

- At least 27933 Palestinian Syrian refugees have reached Europe during the last 4 years.
- 2659 Palestinian refugee victims were documented by the AGPS.
- The Yarmouk Camp: Siege, imposed by the Regular Army and PFGC, continued for 594 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 674 days, water was cut for 164 days respectively. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 166 victims.
- 80,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees escaped from Syria to the neighboring towns, including 10,687 refugees in Jordan, 51,300 in Lebanon and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to UNRWA statistics till February 2015.
- Al Husayneyya Camp: Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 496 days respectively.
- Al Sheina Camp: Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 465 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: Residents have left the camp for 667 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: It is now almost 311 days without water and 70% of its buildings were demolished.
- Jermana, AL Saieda ZAinab, Al Raml, Al Aedein Camps in Homs and Hamma: A relatively quiet situation 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 Sheih road.