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"The AGPS Expresses Fears of Possible Increase in the Numbers of Torture Victims in the Regime's Prisons"



- "Pictures' Massacre," a Special Report for the AGPS that Documents the Palestinian Victims of Torture who were Identified within the Leaked Pictures form the Syrian Prisons.
- Two Palestinian Refugees were identified within the Leaked Pictures form the Syrian Prisons.
- Clashes and shelling at the Yarmouk camp, and the Water Still Cut for 623 Days, Respectively.
- A Palestinian Syrian Refugee Woman Displaced for Syria to Lebanon Appeals to Intervene for Ending her Suffering and for her Cancer treatment.
- The Palestinian House in Netherlands Implements a Mass Forum for the Palestinian Syrian Refugees in Eindhoven, Netherlands.

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Victims

Two refugees were identified through the leaked pictures of torture and enforced disappearance victims; they are: "Imad Mustafa Al Abtah" from the Yarmouk camp, and the refugee "Ahmed Mohammed Ahmed Amoura" from Damar city in Damascus suburb.



Ahmed Mohammed Ahmed Amoura

Recent Updates

The AGPS expressed fears about the possibility of increasing the numbers of victims of torture and enforced disappearance of the Palestinian refugees, due to the large number of Palestinian detainees in the Syrian Regime's prisons. The group has been able to document (791) Palestinian prisoners in Syria till 19th of March, as it is likely to be greater than that especially in light of the loss of any official information about the detainees, and the entire absence of any kind of trials.

The Group renewed its demand for the Syrian regime to disclose the fate of the Palestinian Syrian detainees, to work for their release, and to stop the crime of systematic killings of refugees and prisoners, demanding to be treated according to international laws and norms.

The group also stressed the need for the Syrian branches and prisons to declare the names of the detained refugees, considering that to hide that information is a crime of "forced disappearance" against the detainees.

The group appealed to all international parties and human rights organizations especially the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), official and civil Palestinian, and Arab institutions to intervene to determine the fate of the rest of the Palestinian prisoners in the prisons of the Syrian regime.

It is worth mentioning that the group's fears came in conjunction with the published report of "Pictures' Massacre," which documents the victims of torture and enforced disappearance of Palestinian refugees who were

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identified through the leaked photos that were published earlier this month.

According to the report, serious events occurred about the issue of torture and enforced disappearance victims who mostly sits in the Syrian regime's prisons, where nearly (6500) leaked pictures were published in the beginning of March 2015.

The report confirms "that the images were shocking and cruel, especially to the victims' families who had some hope to meet their detained relatives after they disappeared in the darkness of the prison for periods of at least a year, which included pictures of torture victims who were arrested before August 2013, as the pictures were launched by a witness who became known as "Tsar" who leaked the pictures to the UN.

The report indicates that among the thousands of those images, 39 bodies have been identified of Palestinian refugees who disappeared without knowing where they are, or who have been arrested by the branches of the Syrian security. This number is only for those who were identified till 19th of March and it is likely that the number will increase where the search is still going on between the images.

The report noted that "the monitoring and documentation team in the group was able to identify the owners of the pictures through communication with a large number of sources, including the detainees' families and friends, and a number of Syrian human rights bodies, which took over publication of the images on their sites."

The report also includes a list of names of victims who have been identified through those leaks, but there are a number of images will not be published on this report upon the request of their families.

In addition to the most prominent notes that the monitoring and documentation team in the group write it down during the search process, which gives the perception of how torture of detainees, which could be described as a murder systematically practiced against the detainees.

On the other hand, several shells were dropped at different parts of the Yarmouk camp yesterday without news about casualties among civilians, coincided with violent clashes between the Syrian army alongside with the Palestinian groups loyal to it and the armed opposition groups at

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Palestine Street. The powerful explosions rocked the camp due to clashes and bombing of improvised explosive devices at the conflict points.

Meanwhile, the siege imposed on the Yarmouk camp by the regular army and the PFGC groups is still continue for (623) days, respectively, power cut for more than 703 days, and water for 193 days. It is mentioned that the documentation team of the AGPS indicated that 172 people from the Yarmouk residents died as a result of the siege and the lack of medical care, "64" of them died in January 2014, while six refugees died during January 2015, five victims died during last February, and three refugees died in March 2015.



Yarmouk camp

In Lebanon, a Palestinian Syrian refugee woman displaced from Syria to Lebanon appealed to human rights organizations and the concerned bodies to intervene to end the suffering of UNRWA's procrastination to conduct their surgery and delay her papers from Syria, after she was diagnosed with cancer.

The Palestinian refugee woman talked about her suffering, saying, "I am suffering from cancer and I applied to the UNRWA to perform surgery" eradication," but unfortunately I waited for two and a half months and the UNRWA tell me that the medical referral did not arrive from Syria and we will contact you.

Adding that "even all charities ask about the UNRWA's assess despite they have the papers and I have the hospital assessment, the report of the

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doctor, and the X-rays" and wondered bitterly, "the Palestinian Syrian die until the approvals come from Syria if they come and this is a proof of UNRWA's negligence regarding the medical point and all this only because I am a Palestinian Syria and there is no one stands with me."

It is noteworthy that the Palestinian refugees displaced from Syria to Lebanon are living in very difficult situations on all of life aspects; living, economic, and social levels, and the unstable legal status is considered the most permanent suffering, as well as laws that prohibit the Syrian Palestinian of working.

The number of Palestinian refugees from Syria amounted to about 51.4 thousand refugees, 45% of them are children, as they distributed in several areas of Lebanon, especially the originally overcrowded camps.

Turning to the Netherlands where the Palestinian House in the Netherlands implemented a mass forum at the Criterion Center in the Dutch city of Eindhoven hall, in the presence of approximately 100 refugees from Palestinian families residing in the camp located in the area and nearby suburbs.



The mass forum at the Criterion Center

For his part, the Professor "Amin Abu Rashid" delivered a speech on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Palestinian House in which he mentioned highlights on the stages of the history of asylum in the Palestinian issue and how to convert this suffering and adversity to serve Palestine and the right of return.

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It is worth mentioning that the Criterion Center offer a lot of services to the new refugees; such interpretation, education classes for the Dutch language for all ages, and even providing medical care for some special cases.

Numbers and Statistics till 21/3/2015

- At least 27933 Palestinian Syrian refugees have reached Europe during the last 4 years.
- The Yarmouk Camp: Siege, imposed by the Regular Army and PFGC, continued for 623 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 703 days, water was cut for 193 days respectively. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 172 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 525 days respectively.
- Al Sbeina Camp: Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 494 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: Residents have left the camp for 696 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: It is now almost 340 days without water and 70% of its buildings were demolished.
- Jermana, AL SaiedaZAinab, 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.