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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"AGPS: 605 Palestinian Refugees Tortured to Death in Syria's State Jails"

- Fires Break Out near UNRWA School in AlHusainiya Camp for Palestinian Refugees
- UNRWA Delivers Cash Aids to Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon
- Food Aids Handed Over to Palestinian Refugees in Turkey

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Latest Developments

AGPS documented the death of 605 Palestinian refugees under torture in Syrian government prisons since the outburst of the bloody warfare.

80 Palestinian refugees from Syria were pronounced dead in 2018 alone, up from 13 refugees in 2017. 77 victims were identified through pictures leaked from Syrian state prisons.

Field reporters believe the real numbers to be far higher due to the government's reticence to reveal the names and fates of Palestinian detainees' and the families' fears to disclose their relatives' names over retaliation concerns.

The list of victims includes activists, volunteers, medics, engineers, academics, journalists, university students, and artists.



According to data by AGPS, 1,757 Palestinian refugees, among them children, women and elderly refugees, have been enduring unknown fates in Syrian government lock-ups. Toddlers clinging to their mothers' arms have also been spotted in Syrian jails.



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According to affidavits by ex-detainees, Palestinian refugees have been subjected to harsh psycho-physical torture tactics in Syrian penitentiaries, including electric shocks, heavy beating using iron sticks, and sexual abuse.

AGPS continues to urge the Syrian authorities to disclose the condition and whereabouts of Palestinian refugees held in its penitentiaries.

AGPS believes that such practices represent flagrant violations of international law which criminalizes all forms of torture and mistreatment against civilians.

In another development, fires burst out near a UNRWA school in AlHusainiya Camp for Palestinian refugees in Rif Dimashq, resulting in heavy material damage. Firefighters and civilians rushed to the area to extinguish the fires. The reasons for the incident remain ambivalent.



Residents of AlHusainiya Camp continue to denounce the frequent power blackouts and the acute dearth in drinking-water supplies in the area.



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Meanwhile, UNRWA has transferred cash aids for the Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon via ATM cards.

Every Palestinian family from Syria received a rental allowance of \$100 and a food allowance worth 27\$ per every refugee.

Nearly 28,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria seeking shelter in Lebanon have been subjected to dire socio-economic conditions and a precarious legal status as the Lebanese authorities continue to rebuff their appeals for legal visas and access to the local labor market.

In the meantime, Khayra Ummah charity handed over food baskets to Palestinian refugees in Turkey's southern city of Osmaniye and in Reyhanli.

Fast-breaking meals for children were also distributed by the charity in Reyhanli as part of the international campaign to preserve Palestinian identity "Intimaa".



Unofficial statistics indicate that 8,000 Palestinians from Syria have sought shelter in Turkey, where they have been facing dire



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socio-economic conditions and denied access to the local labor market.

Turkish embassies continue to prevent Palestinian refugees from Syria from obtaining visas. As a result, hundreds of Palestinians have embarked on life-threatening journeys via illegal immigration roads to reach Turkey, fleeing war-tattered Syria, among other war-stricken zones.