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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Action Group: Serious violations suffered by Palestinian children in Syria"

- Syrian security detains Palestinian child "Mohammed Hany Rabei" from the town of Muzayrib
- The regime reopens the Babilla crossing amid a complete siege on Yarmouk camp
- Charitable Association for Palestinian Relief starts its seventh medical week in Khan Al-Sheih camp

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Latest Developments

In conjunction with the World Children's Day, AGPS confirmed that Palestinian children are subjected to major violations amid the war in Syria, on a daily basis.

AGPS's Monitoring and Documentation Team added that 227 Palestinian children died due to the war in Syria, which is equivalent to 6.28% of the 3613 Palestinian refugees who have died in Syria.

The Monitoring Team clarified that the Palestinian children died due to many reasons, mainly because of the bombardments, snipers, clashes, the siege and drowning on death boats.



The statistics reveal that 73 children died as a result of the strict siege imposed by the Syrian regime and the Popular Front groups - General Command on the Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in the south of Damascus.

While the Documentation Team added that it recorded 25 detained children and that the Syrian regime is still hiding their fate. The testimonies of the released detainees confirmed the presence of



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Palestinian infants in the arms of their mothers, in addition to a number of children who have died due to torture in the regime's prisons.

Thousands of children are suffering from the continuous siege on Yarmouk camp and its surrounding areas. More than 2500 children are living without medical care, as well as being subjected to the dangers of malnutrition due to the strict siege imposed on Khan Al-Sheih camp.

In addition, thousands of Palestinian refugee children from Yarmouk camp in south Damascus and Deraa camp, are suffering from the consequences of the siege which has separated between the Palestinian families. Hundreds of children are missing one of their parents because of the Syrian regime banning the exit of families from the south, or the return of families to Yarmouk camp and south Damascus.

children in Syria have been prevented from their right to education, since warplanes, artillery and rockets bombarded several children's schools in Yarmouk camp, Khan Al-Sheih, Deraa and Muzayrib in south Damascus.

Meanwhile, ISIS, which is in control of Yarmouk camp, has closed most of the alternative schools in the camp, which is under the siege of the Syrian regime and the Popular Front groups - General Command, and forced the parents of students who were banned from education in the camp, to enroll their children in specific schools.



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Also, thousands of Palestinian-Syrian children in Lebanon and Turkey, were forced to leave their schools and search for work, as a result of the terrible economic conditions and the failure of the international institutions, particularly UNRWA, to carry out their duties towards them.

The Action Group confirms that the ongoing war in Syria has negatively and greatly impacted the psychological life of the Palestinian refugee children, even to those who have fled outside Syria. Most of them suffer from depression, anxiety and post traumatic disorder because of the shock and fear. Some of them have had the image of what had happened to their family from the destruction of their house and their migration to another place, stuck in their heads.

On the occasion of the International Children's Day, AGPS is renewing its call to all international institutions, UNICEF and UNRWA in particular, to provide protection and care for the Palestinian-Syrian refugee children.

It also demands the Syrian regime to the immediately stop targeting the educational facilities and schools and to ensure the safety of children wherever they may be.

The Group appeals to the Lebanese, Jordanian, Egyptian and Turkish authorities to work to reduce the suffering of the Palestinian-Syrian refugee children that are present on their territories, especially regarding protecting their rights to a decent life, safety and education.



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In a similar context, the Syrian security detained the 16 year old Palestinian child “Mohammed Hany Rabei Al-Sastari,” from the town of Muzayrib in south Syria, on Sunday 19th of November 2017, while passing through the Khirbet Ghazaleh crossing. He was taken to an unknown place and no news has been revealed about him to this moment.

On its part, AGPS recorded the detention of 13 Palestinians from Al-Muzayrib gathering in Deraa, in the Syrian regime’s prisons. Their fate remains mysterious to this moment, in addition to more than 1600 Palestinian refugees.

In south Damascus, AGPS’s reporter confirmed that the Syrian regime reopened the Babilla-Sidi Makdad crossing, 10 days after closing it, and after the Syrian opposition forces opened Al-Orouba crossing between Yarmouk camp and Yelda. Our reported added that the regime allowed the entrance of trucks loaded with food supplies to the towns in the south of Damascus.



Exclusive sources told AGPS that the opening of the crossing came after a meeting held by the reconciliation committees in the south of



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Damascus yesterday, with the Syrian regime, where an agreement was made to open the crossing and allowing food to enter to those areas.

The remaining residents of Yarmouk camp are suffering from extremely miserable humanitarian conditions due to the siege imposed on the camp and the closure of all ports and roads leading to the Syrian capital Damascus. The Syrian regime has imposed a total siege on Yarmouk since mid-2013.

Recently, the regime closed Al-Qadam crossing, which used to supply part of the camp with food and medicine, before finally closing the Yelda crossing in front of the residents, after giving the opposition groups the choice of either closing Al-Orouba crossing which passes through the camp and Yelda, or closing the Babilla-Sidi Makdad crossing, in addition to the deterioration of the security situation between ISIS and the Syrian opposition groups in Yelda.

Local Work Committees

The Charitable Association for Palestinian Relief, in cooperation with the Palestinian Red Crescent, launched the “Seventh Medical Week” in the Khan Al-Sheih camp for Palestinian refugees in the suburbs of Damascus.

The Association said that the Medical Week program includes free checkups for the patients and the free distribution of medicine. The campaign is set to begin at the start of next week and is part of the health care program of the Charitable Association.



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The camp is controlled by the Syrian regime under an agreement signed between the armed Syrian opposition forces in the Khan Al-Sheih area and the Syrian regime in early December 2016.



Palestinians of Syria: November 23, 2017 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3613, including 463 women
- 1642 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 1,590 days in a row
- 204 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1327 days, and 1167 days in Yarmouk Camp
- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo have been banned from their homes for 1,663 days. Government troops have taken over the camp for more than 426 days.



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- 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