

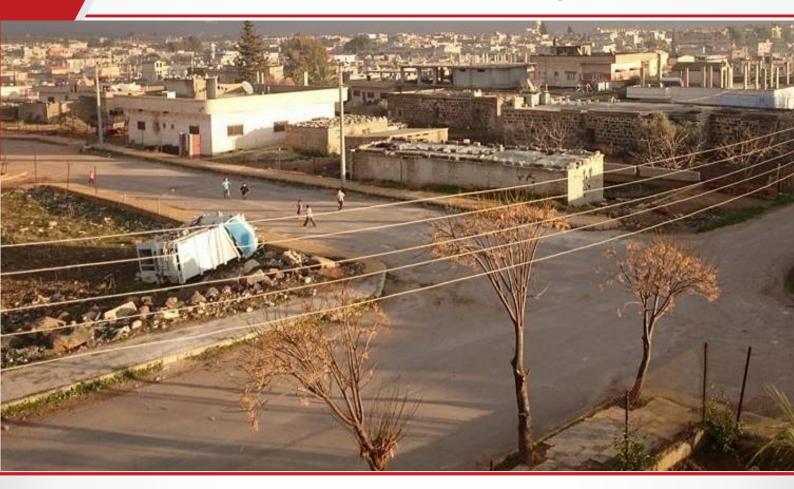
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الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Curfew imposed in Muzayrib due to the proliferation of kidnappings and theft"

- Palestinians of Syria: Complain about UNRWA, the PLO and the Palestinian authority's failure towards them
- UNRWA postpones delivery of cash assistance to Palestinians in Syria until further notice
- Palestinian-Syrians Workers Association visits the Women's Authority for Social Care and Communication - Sella



Latest Developments

The armed Syrian opposition factions in the town of Muzayrib, in south Syria, imposed a night curfew in an attempt to reduce the spread of kidnappings and theft in the town. The curfew started at 9pm, the day before yesterday and ended at 5am, the next morning.

A state of panic spread amongst the residents of the town, from the growing kidnap phenomenon, in exchange for a ransom. This has aggravated the suffering of the residents who are experiencing extremely harsh living conditions, especially as winter approaches.



The Palestinian-Syrian refugees are complaining from the negligence, marginalization and dereliction of UNRWA and the Palestinian factions towards them. The Palestinian factions' interest towards their suffering has declined significantly over the past two years. The refugees stressed that the Palestinian factions' relationships were not invested by a number of local and regional parties, that could alleviate their plight.

According to the Palestinian refugees' testimonies who contacted the Action Group, UNRWA neglected its duty of providing aid to all the Palestinian-Syrians present in the areas under the Syrian



opposition factions' control, under the pretext that the areas are not safe and that it has stopped all its facilities in Deraa for the same reason. UNRWA has also stopped providing its services to the Palestinian-Syrians in north Syria, under the same pretext.

In Egypt, Libya and Turkey, the Palestinian-Syrian refugees there confirm that UNRWA has prevented its aid to them, under the pretext that they are in areas which lie beyond the five regions it works in.

On their part, Palestinian activists believe that the dereliction towards the Palestinian refugees is not limited to UNRWA only, however it also includes the Palestine Liberation Organization and the embassies of the Palestinian authority which do not perform their duties towards the Palestinian Syrians, especially regarding their legal status in a number of countries.

In the same context, UNRWA announced the postponement of the delivery date of the first installment of its cash assistance to the Palestinian refugees in Syria. UNRWA informed the refugees through a text message on their mobile phones, in which it told them that the date of receiving their cash assistance has been postponed until further notice. UNRWA justified the suspension of its cash assistance, which was scheduled for distribution this month, because of the financial deficit it suffers. The sum of the aid is 28 thousand Syrian pounds per person.

Nikki Haley, the United States Ambassador to the United Nations, threatened to stop and cut off the financial support it is committed to each year, to UNRWA.



In Lebanon, a delegation from the Palestinian-Syrians Workers Association, represented by the Head of the Association, "Mohammed Sewied," and members of the Administrative Board, "Ahmed Aly" and "Youssef Sewied," as well as "Ahmed Omar," the Social Solidarity Fund Officer, organized a visit on 23-01-2018, to the Women's Authority for Social Care and Communication - Sella, in its headquarters located in Sidon, south of Lebanon. The visit was aimed at achieving the objectives of the Association, which are based on strengthening and consolidating relations with all institutions, trade unions and businessmen, to serve the workers' category and reflect them positively.

Many important topics and issues concerning the working class were discussed during the visit. On his part, "Mohammed Sewied," Head of the Palestinian-Syrians Workers Association in Lebanon spoke about the establishment of the Association, its achievements and mechanism of work, and the role it plays in serving the Palestinian-Syrian workers who have been displaced to Lebanon.





Palestinians of Syria: January 24, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3641, including 463 women
- 1653 Palestinians are locked up behind Syrian government's bars, 106 of which are women
- Yarmouk refugee camp is under the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine's siege for 1,650 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 1386 days,
 and 1226 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 485 days. More than 80% of its buildings have been completely or partially destroyed.
- 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