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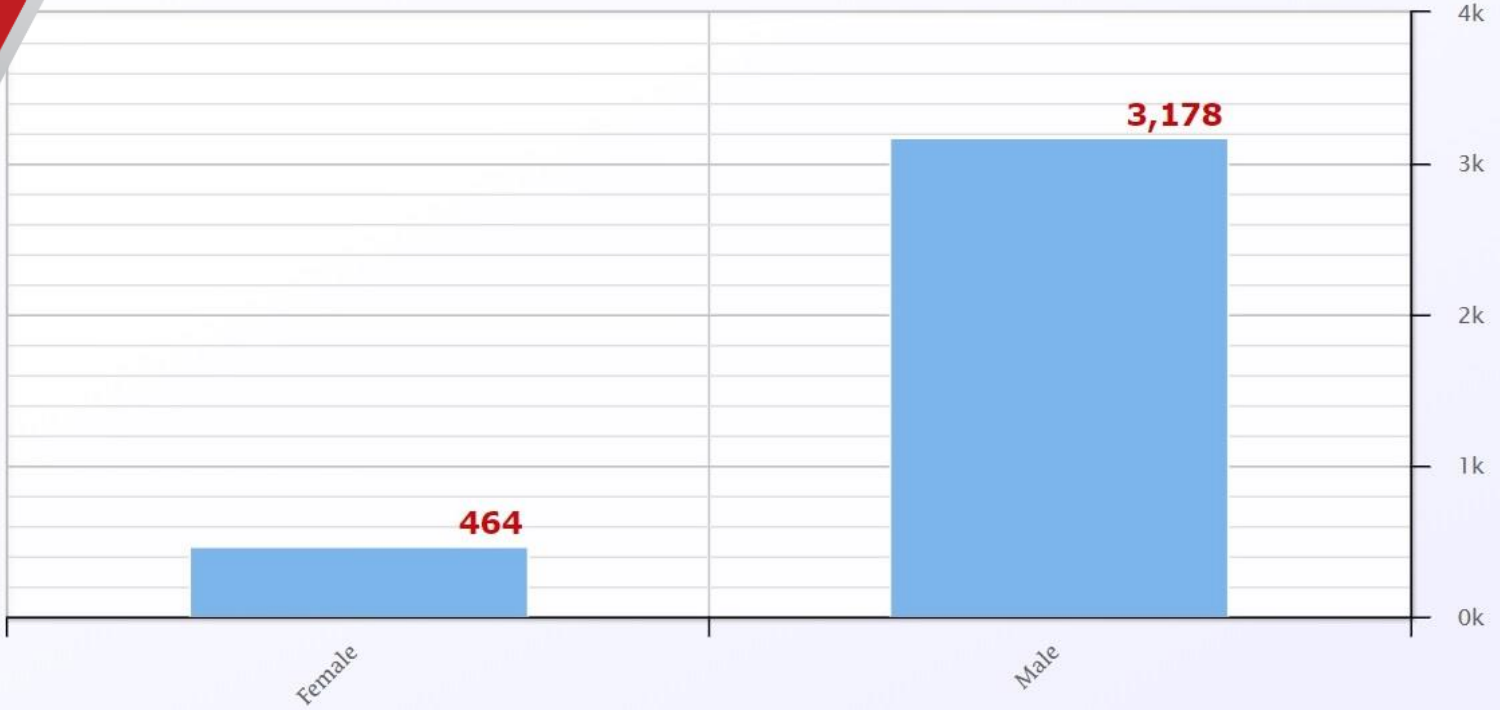
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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"464" Female Palestinian Refugees Died as a result of the Syrian War"

- Palestinian-Syrian girl, "Aya Tayseer Shehada" threatened with paralysis due to a fatal medical error
- "Child labor" spreads among the Palestinian-Syrian refugees in the areas of their asylum

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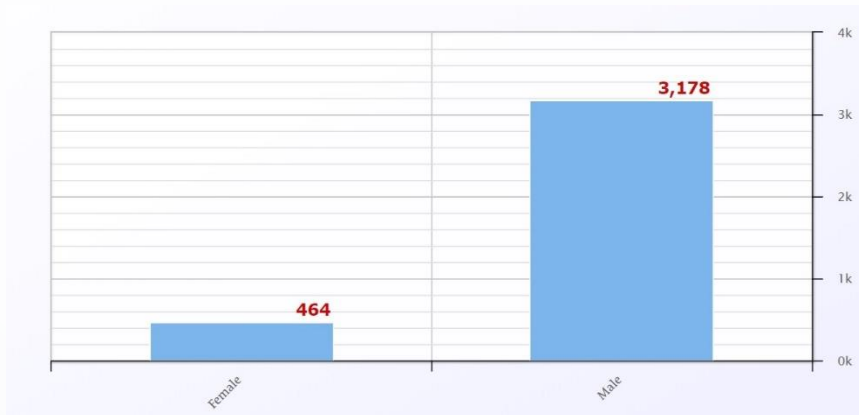


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Latest Developments

AGPS's Monitoring and Documentation Team has documented the death of 464 female Palestinian-Syrian refugees over the past seven years. According to the recorded data, the reasons for their death varied between direct bombardments on the areas of their residence, fighting, the siege or torture to death in the Syrian regime prisons.

The number of female Palestinian-Syrian refugees detained in the Syrian regime's prisons is 106, whose locations and fate remain unknown, because of the security branches and intelligence's secrecy regarding this topic.



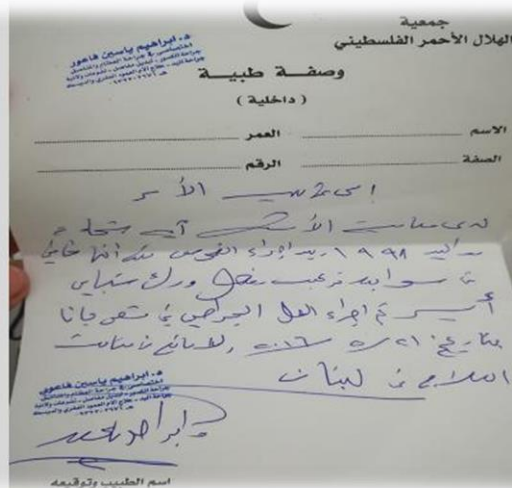
The number of Palestinian refugees who have died, based on the Action Group's documentations, has reached 3642 victims, while 1656 is the total number of detained refugees.

In another context, Palestinian refugee “Aya Tayseer Shehada,” born in 1998, and a displaced resident of Yarmouk camp to Lebanon, has appealed to the Action Group, about her threat of being paralyzed in her left foot, due to medical negligence and the inexperienced doctor that performed a joint implant surgery on her.



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In the details, Aya says that during her stay in Syria, which she returned to from Lebanon in May 2016 to take her secondary school examinations, she felt severe pain in her foot. She referred to Doctor “Ibrahim Yassin Faaour,” a specialist in bone and joint diseases. After checking her and seeing her xrays, he told her that she has a dislocated thigh and must go under surgery to replace her left thigh joint, with an artificial one. She adds that the severe pain she suffered made her agree to go under surgery in Jaffa Hospital in Damascus, however after the operation she completely lost sense of her foot and her ability to move it, as well as a swollen left foot. Doctor Ibrahim told her that her foot is still under the influence of the anesthetic, and when she replied that the effect of an anesthetic cannot last for two weeks long, he avoided her questions then refused to meet her again.



Aya continues her tragedy saying that after she lost hope in reaching the doctor, who is supposedly known as the king of mercy, she went to another specialist and presented her case, to acknowledge the catastrophe that the surgery had damaged the joint and led to her



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inability to stand with stability and that the left thigh had stretched, as well as causing her weakened knee muscles and in the tight-belt muscles.

According to Aya, she referred to a number of doctors to undergo another surgery, however they all asserted that at her young age, she only required physiotherapy to help put the joint back in place, without needing to go under surgery.

Aya called on all the specialized bodies, the International Red Crescent and the Human Rights Organizations, to intervene in order to hold that doctor, who is reckless with people's lives, and who has not owned up to his mistake yet, and to withdraw the certificate provided to him to practice in the medical field, according to Aya, because the doctor harmed many patients. She added that her case was not the first and will not be the last on the hands of this doctor.

In another context, and almost seven years since the start of the Syrian war, thousands of Palestinian-Syrian refugees have been forced to flee to the neighboring countries, where they are facing extremely harsh economic and legal conditions, especially with the clear dereliction of the Palestinian embassies and concerned international organizations, including UNRWA.

Due to these harsh conditions, dozens of refugee children have been forced to leave their schools and find work to support their families in providing the high living expenses. They have had to work in jobs that are unsuitable for their ages and the nature of their weak bodies. The difficult jobs they have enrolled in include carrying heavy boxes, collecting rubbish and washing cars.



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Palestinian activists believe that the main reason for Palestinian-Syrian child labor, especially the neighboring countries to Syria, is UNRWA's dereliction in doing its duties towards the refugee children and their families, in addition to the absence of an actual role of the Palestinian embassy, in working towards reducing the suffering of the refugees.

The situation of the Palestinian-Syrian refugee children in Syria is similar to that of those who have fled the country, due to the unemployment and security tension, as well as the lack of schools in some cities that they have been displaced to in Syria.



Palestinians of Syria: January 30, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3642, including 463 women
- 1655 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 1,656 days in a row



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- 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 1392 days, and 1232 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 491 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