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Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee Mohamed Youssef Hajres, a resident of Khan Eshieh Camp, in Rif Dimashq, was arrested by Syrian security forces as he passed through AlSoumariya checkpoint, near Damascus. His condition and whereabouts have gone mysterious. He is the father of a boy and six girls.

AGPS kept record of the incarceration of over 1,700 Palestinian refugees in Syrian state dungeons.



Along the same line, Palestinian refugee Muhammad Issa AlHourani has been held in Syrian government prisons for the sixth consecutive year.

Issa, born in 1982, was kidnapped by pro-government forces in Daraa AlBalad in Syria in November 2013. His family continues to appeal for information.

According to AGPS data, 1,726 Palestinian refugees have been locked up in Syrian state prisons, where 568 others were tortured to death.



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In another development, pro-government sources in Syria said displaced families will soon get access to their homes in AlTadhamun neighborhood, south of Damascus, sometime soon.

Local authorities in Damascus governorate have just finalized examining ownership documents of 4,000 residents following a survey recently conducted to assess the damage wrought on civilian homes and facilities. Buildings were waxed up to prevent looting and burglary assaults. A list of concerned families has been handed over to the local authorities in order to obtain final approval to ease the return of the displaced families.





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Hundreds of Palestinian families used to take shelter in AlTadhamun neighborhood before they fled to other zones after the opposition forces grabbed hold of the area and as a result of the deadly onslaughts launched by Syria's government forces.

Meanwhile, Over 17,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria in Jordan have been categorized as vulnerable due to their precarious legal status and exacerbated living conditions.

The majority of the Palestinians from Syria entered Jordan through irregular means as a result of the Jordanian closed-door immigration policy barring the refugees' legal entry.

The refugees' vulnerable legal status has reduced their access to the job market and increased the risk of refoulement.

Several Palestinians who fled Syria for fear of being killed under shelling and the blockade have been shorn of their right to legal stays and health care.

The swift price hike, steep rental fees, and daily crackdowns, along with the apathy maintained by international as regards the crisis and UNRWA cuts of its basic services, have added insult to the injury.

Since early 2012, Jordan has opted for a closed-door immigration policy and tightened grip on Palestinian refugees from Syria attempting to enter the country.

Sometime earlier, the Jordanian Prime Minister said his government shall not allow refugees from Syria to freely enter the



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country and turn Jordan into an “alternative home” for the displaced Palestinians.

In an earlier report, the New York-based group Human Rights Watch said Jordan is turning away Palestinian refugees from Syria in violation of international law.

According to the report, Jordan forcibly repatriated more than 100 asylum seekers, including women and children, since mid-2012.

The 44-page HRW report, entitled "Not Welcome: Jordan's Treatment of Palestinians Escaping Syria," documented Jordan's deportation of seven Palestinian men who were separated from their families, and evidence of the transfer of four others to Cyber City, a closed holding facility for Palestinian and Syrian refugees in northern Jordan.

It also described how Jordan withdrew citizenship from Palestinians who had lived in Syria for years and who had been detained or deported without identity documents.