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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



**"Palestinian-Syrians trapped on the Greek islands... frustration, despair and unknown fate"**

- Regime renews its bombardment of Deraa camp and the Sad Road neighborhood
- Solidarity stand to commemorate Land Day in Al-Aedin camp in Homs
- For the sixth consecutive year, Syrian security detains Palestinian Architecture Student, "Salma Abd El-Razak"

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## Latest Developments

Hundreds of Palestinian refugees stranded on the Greek islands, “Lesbos, Mytilene, Chios, Leros and Kos,” are living in a state of frustration and despair, as a result of the suffering they are facing on the humanitarian, living and social levels, accompanied by their complicated legal status, especially after the 18th of March 2016, amid the lack of any body representative of them or following up their affairs with the Greek authorities.

Unofficial statistics indicate that the number of Palestinian-Syrians in Greece are 400 refugees, waiting for their unknown fate, especially after the international organizations, the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Palestinian factions, abandoned them, in addition to the lack of assistance provided by the Greek authorities to them and their inhumane treatment, in the shadow of the vague legal status of the Palestinian-Syrian refugees, which the Arab countries categorized as ‘without a homeland.’



On its part, Greece confirmed in its printed newsletters which it had previously distributed on the Greek islands, that “The Palestinian-



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Syrians are not included in the agreement because they are categorized as without a homeland.” This has not been applied yet, have ever no other action has been taken, making their status mysterious and confusing, especially that the Greek authorities have studied and issued the decisions of all the refugees from other nationalities.

The Palestinian families stranded on the Greek islands had appealed several times to the human rights organizations, the UNHCR and the Palestinian authorities and its embassies abroad, to move towards putting an end to their suffering and improving their miserable living conditions, as well as securing shelter centers for the refugees who sleep the night in summer tents, within the forests and grass, and lay on the ground. They also called on the European countries to accept their asylum requests, considering it their ‘legal’ human right, according to them.

In south Syria, the Syrian regime forces and its affiliated factions, bombarded Deraa camp for Palestinian refugees in south Syria, and the Sad Road neighborhood yesterday, with two surface-to-surface missiles “Elephant,” while the tanks launched their mortars on the lanes of the camp and neighborhood, causing great destruction to the civilian houses and the remaining infrastructure in the area. Rising, black clouds of smoke were seen the bombardments, which came in conjunction with intermittent clashes between the Syrian regime forces and the opposition groups on the fronts of the market area in Deraa.



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In another context, and to commemorate the 42nd Land Day, dozens of residents of Al-Aedin camp in Homs organized a solidarity stand, in support of the 'Ouda' march in Palestine. Participants held the Palestinian flags and models of the Dome of the Rock Mosque, chanting slogans calling for steadfastness and repatriation.

In the meantime, the Syrian security system continues to detain, Palestinian refugee "Salma Abd El-Razak," student in the Faculty of Architecture, in the University of Damascus and born on the 30th of March 1990, for the sixth consecutive year. She is from Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in south Damascus.

Salma fled from Yarmouk camp, after it was raided with warplanes "Meigh Air Raid." Salma tried entering the camp on 30-12-2012, after her brother was hit by a sniper shot, however the Syrian security members and its affiliated factions banned her from entering.

After trying to enter deliberately, she was arrested at the Bashir Mosque checkpoint at the entrance of Yarmouk camp, where she was thrown into a police car with Palestinian refugee "Hossam



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Mawed,” and they were taken to an unknown location. Websites concerned with the affairs of detainees in the Syrian prisons, mentioned that she was arrested because she helped the displaced and the wounded.



Following her arrest, Salma’s family fought to obtain any information about her from governmental institutions or representatives in the state. Her family also appealed to the National Reconciliation Committee in August 2013, as well as the Justice Palace in November 2013, to know the place of her detention, however without a result worth mentioning.

Salma’s family also called out several times to the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Palestinian factions, but to no avail. Her place of detention has not been identified and she has not been subjected to any trials. No news or information about her has reached her family since her arrest.



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## **Palestinians of Syria: March 31, 2018 Statistics:**

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3686, including 467 women
- 1673 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 1,716 days in a row
- 206 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1453 days, and 193 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 548 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