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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



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Already Documented by AGPS"**

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Victims

11-year-old Palestinian child from Syria Yousef Za'tout, displaced to northern Syria, died as a result of the blockade imposed on Yarmouk Camp and civilians' lack of access to much-needed foodstuff and life-saving medicines.

The child's family said their son was transferred to Turkey after his health status took a turn for the worse. He fell into a coma and breathed his last shortly after.

The family added that Yousef's brother has been diagnosed with similar symptoms, raising concerns over his imminent death.



Latest Developments

All the names of Palestinian refugees figuring on a list of 8,000 detainees tortured to death in war-torn Syria have been already recorded by AGPS and appear in the group's daily reports.

AGPS documented the death of 536 Palestinian refugees under torture in Syrian government jails.



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Recently, the Syrian government provided lists of victims of torture. Families seeking to identify their relatives' fates are likely to find yearned-for data at the civil status offices.

The Syrian government updated the families of 40 Palestinian refugees sheltered in AlAyedeen refugee camps in Hama and Hums, along with other camps in Damascus, on the death of their relatives under torture. The pieces of news were circulated via the General Commission for Palestine Arab Refugees.



AGPS is deeply concerned about the upsurge in the number of Palestinian victims of torture and enforced disappearance in Syria.

AGPS estimates the real number of victims to be far higher than that disclosed by the Syrian government. Dozens of families have refused to reveal their relatives' names for fear of retaliation.

AGPS documented the incarceration of 1,680 Palestinian refugees in Syrian dungeons, among them 106 women and children. The detainees' fate has been shrouded in mystery.

AGPS continues to urge the Syrian government to reveal the exact number and fate of Palestinian detainees, to seriously work on



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halting harsh torture tactics, including sexual abuse, launch fact-finding probes into crimes of torture, and to bring those involved in such crimes before courts.

Meanwhile, an acute water crisis continues to rock AlSabina Camp for Palestinian refugees in Rif Dimashq. The residents said they have been forced to purchase water from local tanks at steep prices.

The swift price leap, along with the high rates of unemployment and poverty, have added fuel to fire.

The residents' frequent appeals for urgent intervention have gone unheeded by the concerned authorities and officials.

Families residing in the alleys of AlSabina Camp said water has not been bumped into their homes for so long.

In the meantime, Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon have slammed the lack of sympathy maintained by UNRWA staff members as regards families who have recently showed up at the agency to update their record of personal information. Several families have had their names removed from ad hoc lists.

A so-called Abu Rami said he was shocked after he found out that his ATM card run out of credit that was supposedly shelled out by UNRWA as part of cash assistance services.

A UNRWA staff member in Sidon told him that his personal data has not been updated, which was denied by Abu Rami, who said he showed up with all of his family members at a UNRWA office to update his information. It turned out sometime later that the



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UNRWA employee, who was rather engaged in friendly chats with her colleagues, missed data processing.

Another refugee—Abu Jihad—said: “Though my name appeared at the top of the list, the UNRWA employee failed to register my wife’s and son’s names, in a barefaced sign of neglect and nonchalance.

UNRWA staff members held the refugee families responsible for the state of disorder, which they attributed to the families’ non-disciplined behavior.

