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Victims

Two Palestinian refugees have died as a result of the war in Syria. Refugee “Abdo Faaour Ramadan,” from Sabinah camp in the suburbs of Damascus, died after a mortar shell fell on one of the neighborhoods in Damascus.

While refugee “Mohammed Salah Eissa” died while fighting alongside the Syrian regime forces, in the town of Duma, in the suburbs of Damascus.

This rises the number of Palestinian victims who have died since the beginning of the Syrian war, to 3690 victims, documented by the Action Group.



Latest Developments:

The Action Group’s Monitoring and Documentation Team said that it documented the death of 227 Palestinian children, because of the war in Syria, out of the total number of Palestinian refugees who have died in Syria, which has reached 3690.



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The Monitoring Team clarified that the death of the Palestinian and Syrian refugee children resulted from many reasons. The bombardments, snipers, fighting, the siege and the 'death boats,' are the most prominent causes of death.



The statistics indicate that 75 children died because of the strict siege imposed by the Syrian regime and the Popular Front Groups-General Command, on Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in south Damascus.

The Documentation Team also noted that it recorded 25 detained children, of whom the Syrian regime continues to hide their fate, while the testimonies of the released detainees confirmed the presence of Palestinian infants in the arms of their mothers. The team added that it documented a number of deaths of Palestinian children due to torture inside the Syrian regime's prisons.

The Action Group confirms that the ongoing war in Syria, negatively affected the psychological life of the Palestinian children, even on those who fled from Syria. Many of them suffer from depression,



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anxiety and post-traumatic stress disorder and fear, and others have had the images of the consequences on their families, the destruction of their homes and their immigration to another place, imprinted in their minds.

In another context, the Action Group's correspondent in Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in Damascus, confirmed that dozens of families fled from the camp to the neighboring towns, after the armed Syrian opposition factions opened the Orouba crossing, which links between the camp and Yelda town.

Our correspondent added that the factions re-closed the checkpoint, after the Syrian regime closed the Babilla-Sidi Makdad checkpoint, which is the only outlet for the exit and entry of civilians, as well as the entry of commercial goods and the necessary needs of the people in the towns of south Damascus.

In another context, the Liwaa Al-Quds brigade, which is counted on the Syrian regime, published pictures and videos showing its members participating in the fighting and military operations on the town of Duma, in the suburbs of Damascus.

The pictures show military frames equipped with medium and heavy weapons with the slogan "Liwaa Al-Quds" written on them, where its members bombard the town of Duma, in which Jaish Al-Islam is based, which is counted on the armed Syrian opposition.

Liwaa Al-Quds was established on 6th of October 2013 by the Palestinian engineer, "Mohammed Said" from Neirab camp in Aleppo. He was known for his association with the Air Intelligence



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to facilitate his work in the construction of real estate with brokers. According to unofficial reports, it is estimated to consist of 3500 members. The Liwaa Al-Quds battalion includes members from the Neirab, Handarat and Raml camps, as well as fighters from the city of Aleppo and its western and northern suburbs, as well as the Shabah Aswad and Qomsan Soud battalions. The number of Palestinian fighters in it are estimated to be less than 500.

In Lebanon, about 3,000 Palestinian workers of the refugees that fled from Syria to Lebanon, are living in miserable humanitarian conditions, as a result of the spread of unemployment among them, the exploitation of employers and low wages.

On his part, the Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the Palestinian-Syrian Workers' Union, Mohammed Sweed, said that the Palestinian workers from Syria are going through very harsh conditions, in fact miserable. Jobs are unavailable, and when found, the amounts the worker receives are very low, especially when compared to other workers of other nationalities. The average wages range between 6-8 dollars per day.

Sweed added in a press release to one of the media outlets, that “What increases our suffering is the legal status threatening many of us, as well as UNRWA’s abandonment of our assistance, the exploitation of children in difficult jobs, after dropping out of school, in addition to the denial of health insurance, etc., which makes us vulnerable to many crises and problems.”

He noted that the workers lack health care, “Where the cannot be treated at specialists due to the lack of money and the inability to



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treat some diseases through UNRWA.” Sweed clarified that “The Palestinian refugee workers from Syria are holders of a temporary residency, which is extended every 6 months, and does not entitle them to work anywhere, in contrary to the owners of other nationalities entering Lebanon, who are allowed to work or pursue any jobs normally and legally. For these reasons, Palestinian workers are always under the threat of expulsion at any moment.” He adds that the price of the work permit is 1200 dollars, and the fees for its extension is 200 dollars, which the worker can not secure. To make matters worse, the UNRWA plan does not include injury treatment at work or traffic accidents.

According to UNRWA’s statistics at the end of December 2016, the number of Palestinian refugees displaced from Syria to Lebanon, is estimated at 31 thousand refugees, who are living below the poverty line and suffering from miserable conditions on all levels.

In addition to the fragility of their legal status. The Lebanese government continues to treat the Palestinians from Syria as tourists, who must leave after the end of their period of stay.

Palestinians of Syria: April 07, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3690, including 467 women
- 1674 Palestinians are locked up behind Syrian government’s bars, 106 of which are women



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- Yarmouk refugee camp is under the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine's siege for 1,723 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 1459 days, and 1307 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 555 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