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" On the eve of International Women's Day: The Action Group: More than 100 female Palestinian detainees in Syrian prisons are subjected to torture and abuse "

- Palestinian refugee dies and others injured after a mortar falls on Jaramana
- Palestinian-Syrian women, including former prisoners, participate in the "Convoy of Conscience" in Turkey
- Bombardments and clashes on the Martyrs' sector axis in Yarmouk camp
- Palestinian "Fahd El-Nimiri" released after his kidnap in Muzayrib
- Japan donates 600 thousand dollars to support the education of Palestinian-Syrian children

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Victims

Palestinian refugee “Nour Fateh Babakr Ahmed,” died on Tuesday 6th of March, and her mother “Ahlam Saeed Al-Ghawini” and “Saif Saleh Awad Al-Tantour” were injured, after a mortar shell fell on Jaramana city in the suburbs of Damascus. According to local sources, two mortar shells fell on the Syouf area and the entrance of Jaramana city, that were launched by the armed Syrian opposition in the eastern Ghouta.

A state of panic has spread inside the camp because of its continued targeting and the ongoing military operations in the eastern Ghouta. She is the fourth victim of the Palestinian-Syrian refugees to die with a mortar shell, in the recent events in Ghouta.

Latest Developments

On the eve of International Women's Day in support of women's rights, equality and justice, AGPS confirmed that it documented the arrest of 105 female Palestinian refugees to this date, by the members of security and Syrian intelligence.

According to the Group, the fate of the detainees remains unknown, since the Syrian security system continues to hide the fate and the names of the female detainees in its centers, making it difficult to document information about them in the face of all the forms of torture and oppression that they are subjected to.

The Group reported a testimony of a Palestinian detainee, in which she told of the criminal practices performed by members of the



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Syrian security against women in general, the Palestinians in particular, starting from electrocuting them, and beating with whips and iron sticks.



This is a clear contravention of the Universal Declaration on the Protection of Women and Children in Emergency Situations and Armed Conflict, issued in 1974, under Article (5) which stipulated that such practices should be regarded as criminal: “Criminal acts are all forms of repression, cruel and inhuman treatment of women and children, including imprisonment and torture.”

The Group confirmed that it documented 34 Palestinian refugees who died under torture in the Syrian regime prisons, without handing over their bodies amid the silence of the Syrian regime on the issue of martyrs of torture. Some of them were identified by the leaked pictures of victims of torture.

The Action Group referred to the violations against the Palestinian woman in Syria, where they have been subjected to all kinds of torture in the regime’s prisons. The displacements from the Palestinian camps have caused a heavy burden on the Palestinian



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families in general and women in particular. Hundreds of families have lost their sole breadwinner, either due to the bombardments, detention or death under torture and the women end up alone to face the difficult reality, in terms of house rents, securing food supplies with their high prices, in addition to the security tension in most of the Syrian areas. This is also the case outside Syria.

The Action Group indicates that it has documented the death of 471 Palestinian women since the beginning of the conflict in Syria, along the geographical area of the Syrian territory, which is equivalent to 16% of the total number of victims during the protracted conflict, between March 2011 and until 8th of February 2018.

According to the Group's statistics, 1672 Palestinian refugees have been arrested by the Syrian security systems since March 2012, while the actual number of detainees is expected to exceed this number, because there are no official numbers for the Palestinian detainees in Syria, due to the non-interaction of any official Palestinian entity with the file of Palestinian detainees in the Syrian regime.

Within context, Palestinian women, including former detainees from the Syrian refugee camps, who were displaced with their families to Turkey, participated in the "Convoy of Conscience," which took off last Tuesday from the Turkish city Istanbul, and visited a number of Turkish cities, to stand in solidarity with the women that are illegally detained in the Syrian regime's prisons and to reveal the suffering of 6500 girls and women that have been



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subjected to torture and abuse over the past seven years, and to demand freedom for 6736 female detainees in the Syrian prisons.



The convoy, organized by a group of civil society organizations in Turkey, arrived on Thursday to the border city with Syria, Antakya, where a press conference is set to be held, to demand the international community and human rights organizations to put pressure on the Syrian regime to release all the detainees in its prisons.

In another context, clashes broke out yesterday, on the Palestine Street axis, between the Karaeen battalion and the Syrian regime forces and its affiliated Palestinian factions, in which it used light and medium weapons. No injuries were reported on either side. This coincided with the bombardment of Palestine Street and the vicinity of the Yarmouk secondary school for girls.

The remaining residents of Yarmouk camp suffer from severe humanitarian conditions as a result of the continued bombardments and clashes, as well as the siege imposed on the camp by the Syrian regime since mid-2012, and the siege imposed by ISIS on the residents of the western side of Yarmouk camp, which lies under the control of Hayat Tahrir Al-Sham (previously known as Al-Nusra).



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In the meantime, unknown armed gangs released the Palestinian refugee, “Fahd Al-Nimiri,” known as Abu Mohammed Al-Nimiri, in the town of Muzayrib in south Syria. He had been kidnapped since 16-02-2018 on the Mawasir Road in the town, using a black Kia Rio car.

Killings, assassinations and kidnappings have become a concern for the residents of the towns controlled by the armed opposition groups, especially in Muzayrib, as a result of their frequent recurrence in recent times, by armed gangs seeking to request money or for criminal acts.

UNRWA has revealed that the Japanese government donated 23.5 million dollars to UNRWA, adding that a sum of 600,000 dollars will be specialized for the support of the education of Palestinian refugee children, who were affected by the conflict in Syria. 19 million dollars will be allotted to UNRWA’s main program in the areas of education, health care and improving living conditions, for a total of 3.5 million refugees from Palestine, across the territories of its operations.





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UNRWA indicated that this Japanese donation will have a direct positive impact, on the welfare of some of the most vulnerable people in the Middle East. An additional \$ 5.3 million will be allocated to improve the quality of UNRWA's health services in the occupied Palestinian territory, Lebanon and Syria and another \$1 million to help meet the critical needs in the Wavel camp in Lebanon.

Palestinians of Syria: March 08, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3665, including 465 women
- 1672 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 1,694 days in a row
- 205 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1430 days, and 170 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 525 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