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"This is My Story: A project which records the stories of the Palestinian refugees during the Syrian war"

- Female ISIS members search the women of Yarmouk camp, and motorbikes banned after ISIS's commands
- A number of university students leave Yarmouk camp, to take their tests in their universities in Damascus
- 4 Palestinians have died in Syria since the beginning of 2018
- Palestinian-Syrian Association distributes financial aid to the orphans in the town of Muzayrib

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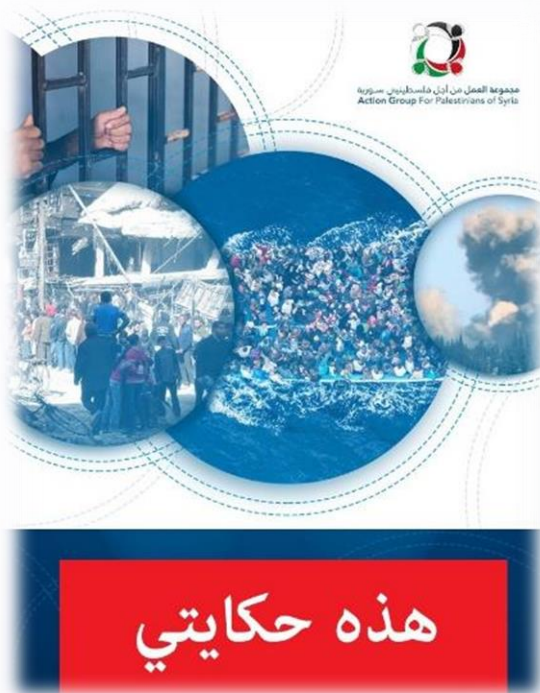


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The Action Group

“This is My Story” is the name chosen by AGPS, for its documentary project which launched in the beginning of last year. The project aims to document the stories of the Palestinian-Syrian refugees during the ongoing war in Syria, in both Arabic and English. The project is supervised by a number of researchers in the Group, who are in most of the countries which the Palestinian-Syrians have fled to.

The project includes recording all the aspects of the Palestinian-Syrians’ lives during the years of war. To this date, the Group has documented 25 stories of Palestinian-Syrians, which discussed their suffering in Syria because of arrests, sieges and the different kinds of violations they have been subjected to, in addition to their stories about immigrating to Europe, success stories and human-interest stories in the new countries of asylum.



The Group also covered stories of victims among the Palestinian-Syrians, which were told by their parents or families, stories of previous detainees in the Syrian regime prisons and others who were subjected to violations by the Syrian opposition, as well as



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stories told by the people themselves about their suffering in the besieged Yarmouk camp and others who have told about their journeys to Europe and the migration road.

Others have told stories about the living reality in the countries of asylum, some of which spoke of the suffering of the refugees in Lebanon, other stories highlighted the difficulties by the Palestinians of Syria in Turkey, in addition to refugee stories about the living conditions in Egypt. The Group was able to document the suffering of the Palestinian refugees wherever they are. The Group also managed to document the tragedies of the Palestinian-Syrians stranded in Thailand.

Through the “This is My Story” project, the Group aims to document success stories of the Palestinian-Syrian refugees in Syria and the countries of asylum, about succeeding on the educational side, or accomplishments made in arts, politics and science.

Regarding the mechanism used to document the stories, it happens after the owner of the story gets in touch with the Action Group either through its addresses or the electronic application. The researchers closest to the owner of the story gets in touch with them and documents their sayings.

In its documentation process, the Group depends on all kinds of media such as video interviews, sound recordings and written interviews, depending on the nature of each story and the desire of its owner. The Group guarantees complete secrecy to the owners of the stories, if they ask to keep their identity hidden for security or personal reasons.



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At the end of the documentation of the story, the Group edits and produces the story, and publishes it on the Action Group's website, in Arabic and English. The Group also provides its services to the media and Human Rights and International organizations. This comes under the Group's efforts to identify the stories of the Palestinian refugees during the war in Syria.

On its part, AGPS calls on all the Palestinian-Syrian refugees, wherever they are, and who would like to have their stories documented, to get in touch with the Group through the following addresses or filling in the electronic application by clicking on this link: <https://goo.gl/v5ixiL>

The Group provides access to the archived documentational stories, on its website: www.actionpal.org.uk

Latest Developments:

ISIS continues to follow a strict security policy against the residents of Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in Damascus. ISIS generalized across its members, the necessity to search all the civilians leaving or entering the areas of its control in Yarmouk camp, including women. According to our reporter, ISIS placed female members at its checkpoints, to search women.

ISIS also issued a decision to ban the use of motorbikes to move between Yarmouk camp, Yelda and the Qadam neighborhood. This comes within the strict security procedures imposed by ISIS on the residents of the camp.



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On their part, activists in the camp saw that the last action made by ISIS, is aimed at putting obstacles in front of the residents, especially in the case of getting food supplies. ISIS uses a tightening policy on the residents and allows its supporters to pass and buy the products, in order to trade with doubled prices, in comparison to their prices used in markets.

ISIS had taken control over Yarmouk camp in the beginning of April 2015, with the aid and support of 'Hayat Tahrir Al-Sham,' previously known as 'Al-Nusra Front.'

In a similar context, our correspondent in Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in Damascus, confirmed the exit of a number of university students from the camp, to take their quarterly exams in their universities in Damascus.

According to our reporter, the university students left yesterday through the Babilla checkpoint.



This comes due to the halt of the educational process in the camp, due to the strict siege imposed by the camp for the 1365th consecutive day. The siege has led to bombardments, which have



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destroyed large parts of the schools in the camp, in addition to the halt of the educational services inside the camp.

ISIS's control over the camp in the beginning of April 2015, has aggravated the suffering of the students, especially after ISIS closed all the alternative schools which were placed by activists inside the camp, to compensate for the camp's students whose schools have stopped working.

In another context, 4 Palestinian refugees have died since the beginning of 2018, due to the ongoing war in Syria. 3 of the victims were military men and one was a civilian. Their names are: "Mohammed Hussien Mohsen Abu Walid," the military official for the first camping area, in the Fath Al-Intefadah Movement, one of the factions affiliated to the Syrian regime. He died on 01-01-2018 while fighting alongside the Syrian regime forces in the ongoing clashes in Harasta, in the suburbs of Damascus.



On 03-01, "Mostafa Attia Abu Darwesh," from Sayeda Zeinab camp died while fighting alongside the Syrian regime forces in Harasta, in the eastern Ghouta area in Damascus. "Hassan Al-Motlaq," a



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member of the Liwaa Al-Quds battalion died on the same day, while fighting alongside the Syrian regime forces in the ongoing clashes in Deir ez-Zour, east of Syria.

35-year-old “Khaled Al-Zamel” died on 6-1-2018, in an air raid by the Russian aircrafts, which targeted Harasta and a number of areas in the eastern Ghouta area in the suburbs of Damascus. He was a resident of Harasta city.

Local Work Committees:

The Palestinian Aid Association, in coordination with the Shorouk Al-Shams organization, distributed \$50 to the orphans in the town of Muzayrib, in south Syria.

This comes within the efforts exerted by the Association, to try to ease the suffering of the Palestinian refugees in south Syria, who are complaining of the absence of the roles of the Relief, International and Official Palestinian organizations towards them.

Palestinians of Syria: January 09, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3633, including 463 women
- 1644 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 1,637 days in a row



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- 204 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1374 days, and 1214 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 472 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
- 8 thousand refugees are staying in Turkey
- One thousand refugees are present in Gaza