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" Russian & Syrian Forces Ravage Yarmouk Cemetery in Hunt for Israeli Soldiers' Body"

- Children in AlNeirab Camp for Palestinian Refugees Sustain Eye Injuries
- Pro-Gov't Battalion in Syria Launch Calls for Military Conscription
- Palestinian Child Hadil Forcibly Disappeared in Syrian Gov't Jails for 6th Year

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Latest Developments

Activists have slammed the Russian and Syrian government forces for ransacking the old cemetery of Yarmouk Camp, in Damascus, in search of the body remains of Israeli soldiers killed in the Battle of Sultan Yaakoob in Lebanon in 1982.

Yarmouk residents told AGPS that the pro-government forces cordoned off AlShuhadaa old cemetery with barriers, preventing them from visiting their relatives' tombs during Eid.

The government forces further banned Palestinian delegations from reaching the cemetery on the first day of Eid and ordered that tomb visits be only allowed at the new cemetery, southwest of the camp.



The body of missing-in-action Israeli soldier Zachary Baumel was flown back to Israel in early April 2019.

He was one of three soldiers still listed as missing in action since the Battle of Sultan Yaakoub in Lebanon in 1982.

On April 19, 2018, a military operation launched by Syria's government battalions and their Russian abettors led to the



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destruction of 60% of civilian buildings and premises in Yarmouk Camp. Dozens of civilians were killed and hundreds injured in the offensive.

Heavy damage was wrought on Yarmouk's AlShuhadaa Cemetery as graves were hit with barrel bombs and headstones smashed by missiles and mortar shells.

In another development, at least 10 children have reportedly been injured in their eyes in AlNeirab refugee camp, in Aleppo, due to factory-produced toy guns and firecrackers used by children during Eid.

A number of injured children sustained serious sight disorders and risk to undergo a complete sight loss.



The parents raised serious concerns over the condition of their children, urging Liwaa AlQuds militia, affiliated with the Syrian government, to ban the sale of toy weapons to children and to hold those responsible to account.

Palestinian refugee families taking shelter in AlNeirab Camp, controlled by Liwaa AlQuds, continue to sound distress signals



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over the high rates of unemployment, water and power outages, along with the absence of healthcare services and vital medicines.

Along the same line, calls were circulated by Liwaa AlQuds, affiliated with the Syrian government forces, on Facebook to push for military conscription.

A few days earlier, Liwaa AlQuds released a list of 20 victims killed as they fought alongside the group in deadly shootouts north of Syria.

Nearly 7,000 gunmen are enlisted at Liwaa AlQuds brigade, among them 800 Palestinian refugees taking shelter in refugee camps across the Syrian territories.



AGPS kept record of the death of 86 Palestinian refugees as they fought alongside Liwaa AlQuds forces since 2013.

In the meantime, Palestinian child Hadil AlAyathi has been secretly held in Syrian state prisons for six years running, along with her mother Taghrid Eissat.

The mother and her daughter were kidnapped in March 2013 as they passed through the government-run AlAlaaf checkpoint, in al



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Hajar AlAswad area, adjacent to Yarmouk Camp. Their fate and whereabouts remain mysterious.

AGPS continues to urge the Syrian authorities to disclose the fate of the two detainees among other Palestinian refugees held behind prison bars.

AGPS kept record of the secret incarceration of 1,758 Palestinian refugees in Syrian government jails, among them 108 women and girls.

AGPS believes that the arbitrary internment of Palestinian refugees, particularly children, in war-torn Syria amounts to a war crime.

Families of Palestinian women and girls continue to voice their deep disappointment over the apathy maintained by the international community, the Palestine Liberation Organization, and the human rights NGOs regarding the mystery in which their relatives' fates have been shrouded in Syria.

According to affidavits by ex-detainees and breakaways, Palestinian women and girls have been subjected to harsh psycho-physical torture tactics in Syrian penitentiaries, including electric shocks, heavy beating using iron sticks, and sexual abuse.

Such practices represent flagrant violations of the Declaration on the Protection of Women and Children in Emergency and Armed Conflict of 1974, Article 5, which criminalizes all forms of torture and mistreatment against women and children.