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"Unprecedented security tension in Yarmouk camp, amid indications of preparations to raid it"

- Missile bombardment targets Palestine Street in Yarmouk camp
- Normal movement at the Orouba checkpoint between Yarmouk camp and the opposition's areas in south Damascus
- Assassination attempt of the Head of the Reconciliation Committee in the town of Yelda, in the suburbs of Damascus
- Residents of Khan Al-Sheih camp are struggling to secure a living

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Latest Developments

Eye witnesses confirmed to AGPS the positioning of the regime's tanks on the entrances of Yarmouk camp. According to their testimonies, the presence of these tanks comes as a prelude to opening the road in front of the regime's armored vehicles to enter the camp, amid the massive mobilization of the members of the pro-regime Palestinian groups in the same area.



In the same context, the Action Group's correspondent indicated that ISIS announced a state of alert within its ranks, prepared fortifications and linked structures to each other, in addition to building some wooden bridges between the buildings and evacuating the civilians from some areas.

In the meantime, the Martyrs' Sector in Palestine Street in Yarmouk camp, and Al-Tadamon neighborhood, were bombarded with directed missiles, sourced from the hall buildings, in which the members of the Palestinian factions loyal to the regime are based. There are no reports of injuries.



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The outskirts of Yarmouk camp were bombarded by the Syrian regime forces on Tuesday, where the outskirts of the Tadamon neighborhood were targeted with a Grad missile, accompanied by sounds of gunshots, launched by members of ISIS.

This comes in the shadow of a state of anticipation and tension experienced by the civilians in Yarmouk camp, as a result of reports of a possible military operation by the regime on the camp, during the upcoming days, as well as the intensification of ISIS's fortifications in the areas it controls and the evacuation of the residents of the Martyrs' Sector in Palestine Street, and transforming it into a military zone.

On his part, the Action Group's correspondent in Yarmouk camp in Damascus, stated that the Orouba checkpoint, between Yarmouk and Yelda, witnessed a normal movement of people and stock on Wednesday, amid reports of the possibility of the opposition factions' re-closure of the barrier, in the case of a near military action by the regime, against the members of ISIS in the camp.

In another context, Sheikh "Saleh Al-Khatib," Head of the Reconciliation Committee in the town of Yelda, in the suburbs of Damascus, was subjected to an assassination attempt. He was hit by a gunshot in Yelda, during the late hours of the day before yesterday, and was taken to one of the hospitals of Damascus for treatment. It is still unknown who tried to assassinate "Khatib," since masked men targeted the car he was traveling in.



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Khatib's assassination attempt came in the midst of talks about meetings between the armed Syrian opposition factions in south Damascus and the Syrian regime, to agree on the fate of the towns controlled by the opposition in the south of Damascus.



In another context, the residents of Khan Al-Sheih camp are struggling to secure a living, in the light of the reflection of the Syrian war on all aspects of their lives and economic conditions which were described as miserable, since the cost of life index rose more than eight times over the seven-year period. In addition, the rise in the value of the dollar against the Syrian pound reflected a rise in prices levels by more than 1000%, while the daily living expenses and securing the basic life necessities tops the list of key endeavors of the residents of Khan Al-Sheih camp, as a result of the widespread of unemployment amongst the people and the lack of a stable sources of income.

In general, most Palestinian-Syrian families have been mainly dependent on UNRWA's assistance over the past years. UNRWA provides periodic financial assistance that families use to pay part of



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their housing rents and to secure their basic needs, such as food and drinks.

Meanwhile, the residents of Khan Al-Sheih camp are complaining of the tight security procedures imposed by the security forces on them. They are prevented from leaving or entering the camp without a security approval, where university staff and students are allowed to leave the camp, only after they register their names in the detachment of the Palestine Liberation Army, one day before their departure.



Palestinians of Syria: April 11, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3692, including 467 women
- 1674 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 1,727 days in a row



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- 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 1462 days, and 1311 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 559 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