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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"12 Persons Arrested among Displaced Families in Deir Ballout Camp North of Syria"

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- 2 Palestinian Brothers Undergoing Mysterious Fate in Syrian Gov't Lock-Ups
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Latest Developments

Turkish soldiers escorted by Faylak AlSham group cordoned off on Monday, August 13, Deir Ballout and AlMuhammadiya refugee camps in Afrin, north of Aleppo.

Snipers have been deployed around the area at the same time as a curfew has been imposed. The forces searched tents where families displaced from southern Damascus have been taking shelter.



The crackdown culminated in the abduction of 12 people on allegations of drug abuse and trafficking.

The list included Mohamed AlHasan and his father, Fadi Shteivi, Samer AlAhmad, Mohamed AlAhmad, Amar Sweis, Saifo Hamou, Abdullah Hamou, Ishaq Hourani, and a so-called Abu Sakhr.

Activists said the fact that most of the arrestees took part in protests carried out one day earlier to push for humanitarian assistance is a proof a preplanned scheme to terrorize protesters and deter projected protest moves.

On August 11, altercations burst out between the displaced families and administrative officers in Deir Ballout. Policemen fired



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gunshots in the air to terrorize the residents and force them to backtrack on simmering protests.

Meanwhile, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, Filippo Grandi, said it was too early to talk about a mass return of Syrian refugees to their homeland.

"We think that it's premature to promote returns. Syria is still very insecure, there's still a lot of war going on in Syria," Filippo Grandi, the head of the UN refugee agency, said on Monday, after meeting with German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas in Berlin.



"If some people decide, they make their own personal voluntary choice, we need to see how we can support them", added Grandi. "But I think it's premature to think of a mass repatriation program."

Grandi added that the UN cannot secure a safe return of five million refugees scattered in neighboring countries.

In the meantime, AGPS has conducted over 2,110 daily reports documenting the situation of Palestinian refugees across war-torn Syria.

The reports are available on the group's website both in English and Arabic: www.actionpal.org.uk.



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Other material, including videos, live snapshots, statistics on the number of casualties and detainees, news articles, and press releases also figure on the website.

In another development, Palestinian brothers Waseem and Anas Mahmoud Muhahi have been held in Syrian government dungeons since October 2012. Both were kidnapped from Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees south of Damascus.

AGPS kept record of dozens of cases of internment and fatal torture of members of same family in Syrian government prisons.

Meanwhile, UNRWA has begun cash-in-hand distributions to Palestinian refugees fleeing war-stricken Syria to Lebanon.

Every Palestinian family from Syria received a rental allowance of \$100 and a food allowance worth 27\$ per every refugee.

According to UNRWA statistics, until the end of 2016, 31,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria have sought shelter in Lebanon, where they have been grappling with abject living conditions.

