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## Latest Developments

A campaign has kicked off in Yarmouk Camp on Saturday to remove debris from residential alleys and access roads.

The measure has been carried out under the supervision of the General Authority for Palestinian Arab Refugees and the Charity Commission for the Relief of the Palestinian People, in partnership with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

In live videos and snapshots from the camp, bulldozers and trucks appear to carry debris out of the camp. Efforts have also been underway to reconstruct the old Shuhadaa Cemetery.



The Syrian government forces regained control over Yarmouk Camp and southern Damascus towns following a 33-day military operation launched on April 19. At least 33 civilians were killed and dozens more injured in the offensive. Over 80% of buildings in Yarmouk Camp have been either totally or partially destroyed in the warfare. 90% of homes have been subjected to burglary and looting.

Meanwhile, the Palestine Memory House and the Palestinian Arab Society have filmed the first episode of the documentary series “We Will Be Back”.



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The series is an artistic bridge connecting the past and present through a chain of oral chronicles and narratives told by elderly people.

The first episode was filmed at the home of a so-called Zakiya AlMuatassem (Umm Husam AlSaleh).



Several such moves have been carried out in Palestinian refugee camps in Syria to document events and hardships experienced by the displaced Palestinian community.

A so-called “My Story” initiative launched by AGPS has also documented the forced deportation, arbitrary abduction, and bloody hostilities Palestinians have been made to endure during the Syrian warfare.

In the meantime, the King of Sweden Charles XVI Gustave received in his royal palace in Stockholm on Friday the Palestinian child from Syria Akram Jamal Hama, aged seven and diagnosed with blood cancer.

Akram’s twin brother and his parents accompanied him during the visit, which was carried out after the child expressed his wishes to meet the King.



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A video and pictures released from the royal palace show the warmth with which the child was received by the King of Sweden.

The family offered a painting drawn by the Palestinian artist Ahmed Salma and reading “Palestine” in Arabic.



Akram was diagnosed with cancer some two years ago and undergone chemotherapy in Uppsala.

A relative said Akram was born and raised in Syria before he fled with his father on board the “death boats” to Europe seeking a safe shelter.

Thousands of Palestinian children from Syria have gone traumatized as a result of the fierce shootouts and bloody hostilities rocking Palestinian refugee camps and communities across war-torn Syria. Dozens have also been arbitrarily detained and tortured to death in Syrian dungeons.

In another development, the Government of Belgium has made an additional contribution of EUR 4 million to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) to support its core educational services.



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The contribution was announced on 27 June at the UN General Assembly in New York and comes at a critical time for UNRWA.

In announcing their support for UNRWA core educational services, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Development Cooperation Alexander De Croo noted: “The right to quality education for every child is of crucial importance to Belgium. It is not an option to keep schools closed due to a lack of funding. With these additional funds, we hope that UNRWA can find a solution so that every Palestinian child in Gaza, the West bank, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria, can go back to school in the coming few weeks.”

UNRWA Commissioner-General Pierre Krähenbühl expressed his deep gratitude to the Government of Belgium for their continued support to the Agency’s mission: “We are sincerely grateful to the Government of Belgium for their substantial additional support of EUR 4 million towards the Agency’s core funding at this critical juncture. Belgium is an exemplary donor to UNRWA and I thank them for their commitment to the Agency and to Palestine refugees.”

UNRWA is currently facing an unprecedented funding shortfall, threatening the ability of the agency to sustain its core services including education, after the major donor, the US, decided to cut its aids to the refugee agency.