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"UNRWA's Syria Director: Palestinian Refugees Most Affected by Syrian Warfare"

- Thousands of Displaced Palestinian Families from Syria Torn Apart
- Rights Group Calls for Urgent Action over Jailed Women, Children in Syria
- Palestinian Refugee Subjected to Mysterious Conditions in Syrian State Jail

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Latest Developments

UNRWA's newly-appointed director, Amany Michael Ebye, said that after eight years of conflict, "Palestine refugees continue to be one of the most vulnerable groups in Syria with immense humanitarian needs."

"I look forward to ensuring that UNRWA continues to provide quality services and emergency assistance to support Palestine refugees," he said.

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) has appointed Amany, a Ugandan national, to the position of Director of UNRWA Affairs in the Syrian Arab Republic as of 15 February 2019. Amany joined UNRWA in March 2017 as Deputy Director of Programs, Syria Field Office. In that role, he supervised the development and implementation of programs for the 438,000 Palestine refugees in Syria.



UNRWA is confronted with an increased demand for services resulting from a growth in the number of registered Palestine



refugees, the extent of their vulnerability and their deepening poverty. UNRWA is funded almost entirely by voluntary contributions and financial support has been outpaced by the growth in needs. As a result, the UNRWA program budget, which supports the delivery of core essential services, operates with a large shortfall.

UNRWA is a United Nations agency established by the General Assembly in 1949 and mandated to provide assistance and protection to some 5.4 million Palestine refugees registered with UNRWA across its five fields of operation, pending a just and lasting solution to their plight. Its services encompass education, health care, relief and social services, camp infrastructure and improvement, protection and microfinance.

According to AGPS data, over 3,900 Palestinian refugees from Syria have been pronounced dead since the outburst of the bloody warfare. Over 1,700 others have also been held in Syrian government dungeons.

Meanwhile, thousands of Palestinian refugees from Syria have been scattered in known and unknown destinations, after they were forced out of their homes and torn apart from their families.

Torn from the nourishment of home and warmth of family, Palestinians have been scattered across such destinations as Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, Turkey, Sudan, and Europe. Hundreds have become internally displaced across the war-ravaged Syrian territories.



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The situation has gone downhill after most of the world's countries opted for a closed-door immigration policy vis-à-vis the Palestinian refugee community from Syria.

Hundreds have embarked on life-threatening journeys onboard the death-boats to Europe or to neighboring countries as they rummaged around for safe shelters or sources of incomes.

Those who have returned to the Syrian territories have been subjected to arbitrary crackdowns and forced conscription at pro-government battalions.

In another development, a conference titled “Until the Last Child and Woman Are Released from Syrian Prisons” was held by Le Movement De La Conscience (Conscience Movement) in Istanbul.



Human rights activists and parliamentarians from about 55 countries were in attendance.

Speakers at the conference called on the Syrian authorities to immediately release all detained women and girls, urging the



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international community and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to take serious action in order to pressurize the Syrian government to that end.

Movement De La Conscience said that 13,500 women have been arrested by Syrian government forces since the outburst of the conflict, 7,000 among whom are still held in custody and subjected to harsh psycho-physical torture.

AGPS kept record of the detention of more than 110 Palestinian women and girls in Syrian state lock-ups, where over 35 others have also been tortured to death.

Along the same line, Palestinian refugee Jamal Waleed ALSayed, born in 1970, has been enduring a mysterious fate in Syrian government dungeons, where he has been held for the fourth year running.



Jamal was kidnapped by Syrian government forces from ALAyedeen Camp in Homs on January 1, 2015.

AGPS kept record of the incarceration of over 1,700 Palestinian refugees in Syrian government prisons, including women and minors.