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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



**" Fighting in Yarmouk camp and the Russians meet with the opposition and Tahrir Al-Sham in south Damascus"**

- UNRWA calls on the Palestinian families emerging from the eastern Ghouta to communicate with it
- A transportation crisis in Husseiniya camp and its residents complain of the exploitation of drivers
- Palestinian-Syrian teachers wins "Best Teacher in North Lebanon" Award

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## Latest Developments

Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees in south Damascus witnessed intermittent clashes between Palestinian groups supported by the regime and members of ISIS, on the axis of the Martyrs' sector and close to the entrances of Yarmouk camp.

On his part, our correspondent confirmed reports of the arrival of a Russian delegation in the neighboring towns to the camp, where the delegation met with a number of military leaders of the Syrian armed opposition factions that control the towns of Yelda and Babilla. According to leaked information about the meeting, the Russians asked the opposition fighters to settle their situation and stay in their towns or go to the north of Syria. The correspondent pointed out that the news talks about the request of the Syrian opposition factions for a period of time to consult with each other.



In the same context, the Action Group has received confirmed reports about a meeting between Russian officials and Hayat Tahrir Al-Sham in Yarmouk camp, Damascus, where discussions were held between both parties, on the mechanisms of the fighters' leave from the camp.



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On its part, UNRWA called on the Palestinian factions that lived in the eastern Ghouta and left it recently because of the military operations, whether to the shelter centers operated by the Syrian state, or outside the shelter centers, to communicate with UNRWA through its phone numbers.



Approximately 250 Palestinian-Syrian families living in the towns of Ghouta; Duma, Zamalka, Hezzeh and Homoreyya, and several other towns, called on all the international bodies, especially UNRWA and the Palestine Liberation Organization, to take on their responsibilities towards them and work urgently to protect them from the bombardments, and provide them with relief aid and securing a safe route for those who were to leave the Ghouta neighborhoods, noting that these institutions made no effort to assist and protect them throughout the periods of the siege and shelling, although it is directly responsible for the Palestinian refugees in Syria.

In another context, transportation from the Husseiniya camp in the suburbs of Damascus and the return to it, is one of the problems that is should not be insignificant in the daily lives of its



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inhabitants. It has become a concern that worries them and adversely affects their living and economic conditions, while residents complained about the exploitation of bus drivers who raise the fares according to their mood. They also impose the bus route in line with their personal desires. Most buses are now operating on the Qazaz line, forcing the people to take more than one means of transportation to reach their workplace, which constitutes a financial burden on them.



On their part, the residents demanded the representatives of the camp and Husseiniya, to intervene with the authorities and the concerned parties to solve the traffic crisis and put an end to the exploitation of drivers, noting that the fee set by the state is 60 Syrian pounds per person, however the bus drivers force the passengers to pay 100 or 150 Syrian pounds, which is expensive for employees, workers and students.

The residents of the Husseiniya camp, who submitted earlier a lot of complaints in which they demanded all the concerned parties and the Palestinian factions and government to find a rapid solution to the issue that has negatively affected them, as well as denied



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students and staff access to their schools, universities and workplaces, believe that there is a tight scenario aimed at keeping the crisis intact, pointing out that this seems clear in the deliberate silence applied by the concerned authorities, that are no longer able to end the farce of transportation in the camp Husseiniya.

In Lebanon, Palestinian-Syrian teacher, “Abd El-Kirim Ibrahim Mohammed Khatib,” who was displaced from Yarmouk camp to the Nahr bared camp, won the first prize award issued by Ramallah, as the best, specialized teacher in north Lebanon for the year 2017, for his use of innovative and effective educational practices, and by improving the students' grades and behavior, and helping them to excel and surpass.

Al-Khatib, who currently teaches in UNRWA's Menara Boys School in the Nahr Bared camp in Tripoli, North Lebanon, is a bachelor's degree holder in Arabic and English from Damascus University and was a teacher at UNRWA's Tabgha school in Yarmouk camp.



UNRWA cooperated with the International Welfare Association - Taawon, announced on 28th of March on its 8 prizes for 2017, in an honorary ceremony held in Al-Bireh and via video conference with Gaza and Beirut. The awards were given to a number of distinguished civil institutions and leading individuals, and in the presence of a large number of official figures and civil institutions, in addition to those with expertise and specialists in the fields of development.



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## **Palestinians of Syria: March 28, 2018 Statistics:**

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3686, including 467 women
- 1673 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 1,713 days in a row
- 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 1450 days, and 190 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 545 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