



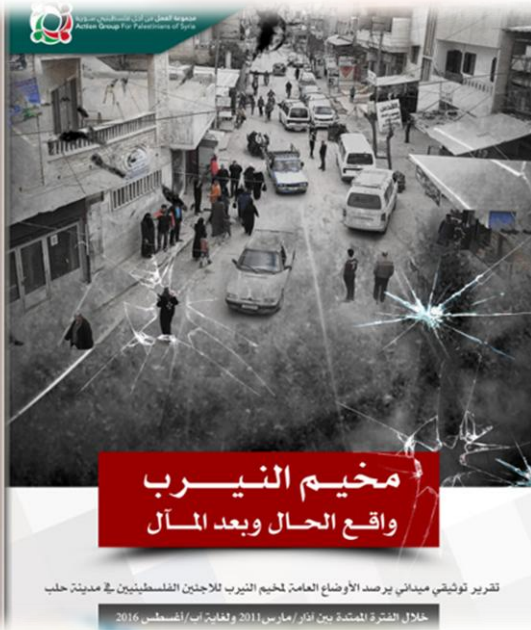
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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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"AGPS Issues Special Report Entitled “Al-Neirab Camp: Facts on the Ground and Hopes for the Future”, And Transmits Refugees’ Voice to Vienna"



- **PLA officer killed in Damascus Suburbs**
- **First Palestinian school in Yalda points the finger at malicious “malevolent agents” for obstructing entry of books**
- **Palestinian refugee Mohamed Abu Shanar locked up in Syrian regime jails**
- **Germany’s short-term residence permits prevent Palestinians from reuniting with their families**

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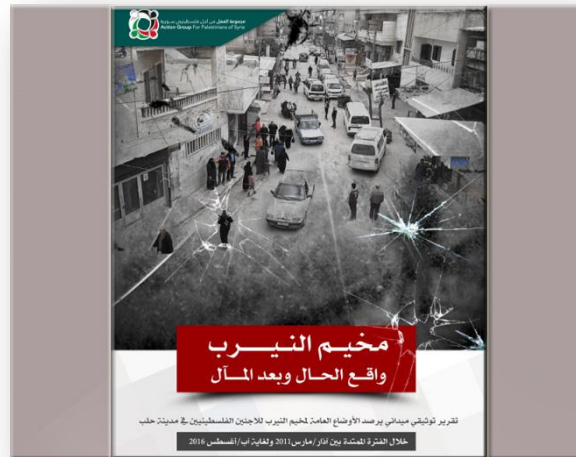
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AGPS issued a 42-broadsheet documentary report entitled “Al-Neirab Camp: Facts on the Ground and Hopes for the Future.” The report sheds light on the situation endured by Palestinian refugees in Al-Neirab Camp, in Aleppo, for the period from March 2011 to August 2016. It is divided into five major parts. The first part presents geo-historical facts about the camp while the second part unveils attempts to drag the camp into the Syrian warfare by appointing youngsters to quell demos and concoct strife. It also harks back to the massacre perpetrated by the Palestine Liberation Amy (PLA).



The third part examines the standpoint adopted by the Palestinian community and political factions in Al-Neirab Camp, who have had divergent opinions as regards the involvement in/detachment from underway hostilities. The majority of refugees appeared to support the disarmament of the camp. The fourth part spotlights the repercussions of the Syrian crisis on the socio-economic, intellectual, and medical state of



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affairs in the camp. As for the fifth part, it outlines thorough statistics on the casualties and detainees, along with the leading causes of death, most notably shelling, sniping, abduction, and field execution.

The report is purely fact-based and rooted in data amassed by AGPS on-the-spot reporters and sworn affidavits from the ground.

For a full version of the report please click here:

http://www.actionpal.org.uk/ar/reports/special/alneirabrep_ar.pdf

Meanwhile, an exhibition was held by AGPS on the sidelines of the 27th Annual Meeting to Support Palestine staged by the Vienna-based Coordinating Council to Support Palestine.



A bundle of live snapshots and statistic dataset documenting the bloodshed and destruction perpetrated against Palestinian refugee camps in embattled Syria was put on display in the exhibition. Graphic designs documenting the tragedy endured by Palestinian refugees and the risks run onboard the “death boats” also featured in the fair.



On October 22, AGPS held a similar exhibition on the sidelines of the Third Palestinian Youth Festival organized by the Palestinian Adala Center in Sweden.

Victims

The Palestinian refugee Hamza Twheed Othman, from the PLA, was killed in bloody hostilities between the Syrian regime militias and opposition outfits in Tal Sawan, in Damascus Suburbs. Hamza's death brings the number of PLA casualties in Syria to 190, according to AGPS statistics.



Latest Developments

The First Palestine School for Palestinian refugees of Yarmouk who have been displaced to Yalda town issued a statement on its Facebook page slamming "malevolent agents" for obstructing the access of books and furniture into the school.

The statement spoke out against underway attempts to rescind recognition of the school. It declared as unlawful the entry of any worker or delegate into the school henceforth.



The volunteer tutors at the school confirmed their commitment to neutrality, saying since the early stages of the crisis they have taken it upon their shoulders to carry the torch of knowledge and fight ignorance with all means possible.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugee Mohamed Hassan Abu Shanar has been kept in Syrian regime lock-ups for the fourth year running. Abu Shanar was kidnapped by pro-regime militias from Nisreen Street, adjacent to Yarmouk Camp, on October 27, 2012. The captive's fate and location have remained mysterious up to now.

AGPS quoted Abu Shanar's family as appealing to the Palestinian national factions to work on releasing their son, along with all the detainees held in Syrian regime penitentiaries. The family further urged the deputy Secretary-General of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine –General Command, Talel Naji, to release Abu Shanar. However none of Naji's promises to keep tabs on the case saw the day.

38-year-old Abu Shanar, a resident of Al-Tadhamun Neighborhood, in Damascus, is the father of three children and the son of the slain Fatah leader Hassan Abu Shanar.

In another development, Palestinian-Syrian refugees who fled to Germany could not reunite with their families due to the provisional visas granted by the German authorities.

The German Temporary Protection Law suspended granting three-year residence permits, banning holders of short-term visas from reuniting with their families, and receiving school loans. According to the new



rules, permanent residence permits and silver passports can only be granted after a minimum of a five-year stay.

Observers attributed the restrictions to the unpersuasive character of the arguments provided by the asylum-seeker while defending his/her case before an investigator or a judge. Convincing arguments included the presence of death risks due to warfare, destruction, displacement from flashpoints, and sickness. The asylum-seeker is also required to give a detailed account of his/her trip to European countries with specific dates for each and every stopover, all expected to be provided in a self-assured tone.



Human rights experts recommend hiring a lawyer as soon as a short-term permit is issued so as to file an appeal against the court rule, which outlaws family reunification for two years and bans the passage to another province.

Several Palestinian refugees were granted three-year residence permits allowing the reunification with family following disagreements between the German government and courts.



No official statistics are available on the exact number of Palestinian-Syrian refugees in Germany, classified as stateless by the German law.

As a signatory to the Geneva Convention, Germany is bound to grant citizenship to stateless asylum-seekers based on the German Citizenship Law of 2000.

Palestinians of Syria: October 31, 2016 Statistics:

- *There are 15,500 Palestinian-Syrian refugees in Jordan.*
- *42,500 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are in Lebanon.*
- *6,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in Egypt, according to UNRWA figures covering the period from July 2015 backwards.*
- *8,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are taking shelter in Turkey.*
- *1,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees reside in the blockaded Gaza Strip.*
- *Over 79,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees fled to Europe until mid 2016.*
- *Yarmouk refugee camp has been blockaded by the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine - General Command (PFLP-GC) for 1,231 days in a row. Electricity and water supplies have been cut off, respectively, for 1,291 days and 751 days. The number of those killed due to the blockade has hit 190.*
- *Sbiena refugee camp: Refugees could not go back to their homes as a result of the blockade slapped by the Syrian regime forces since 1,084 days running.*
- *Handarat refugee camp: All refugees left the camp since 1,276 days after opposition outfits grabbed hold of the area.*



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- *Deraa refugee camp: Water has been cut off for 934 consecutive days while 70% of its buildings have been knocked down.*
- *Homs camp, Hama camp, Jaramana camp, al-Sayda Zeinab camp, Al-Raml camp: A of State of relative calm has been reported in the abovementioned areas. However, economic crises have been on the rise.*
- *Khan al-Shih refugee camp: All access roads out of and into the camp have been closed off by the Syrian regime army for 31 days running.*