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"Beating, Shabeh, and Boiled Water... a Palestinian Refugee Talks about Torture Means in the Prisons of the Syrian Regime"



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The Testimony of a Released Detainee from the Prisons of the Syrian Regime:

Documentation of Detainees and Missing Palestinians Center in Syria published a new testimony about detention and torture in the branches of the security and intelligence services of the Syrian regime. The testimony given by the young man, Yaman, a resident of the Yarmouk refugee camp, and a student at the University of (Baath) in Homs, and was arrested by a Syrian security checkpoint in the neighboring city of Hama, talked about a year and a half he spent inside the Syrian prisons, which was mostly in the so-called Palestine Branch - 235.



Yaman remembers many details about the torture he suffered in the cellars of the so-called Palestine Branch; he speaks about the moment of his arrival to the branch where he was taken to an underground solitary dark cell with no light or air And an area of approximate (2.5 × 1.5 meters), which contains ten to twenty detainees.

He also spoke about the status of detainees in the cell, he said "We slept on top of each other or alternating in sleep; for example: six detainees



slept and six others remain standing for a short time and then switched to sleep in shifts because the cell is not sufficient for half our numbers."

He adds: "We were completely naked in the cell, and we were allowed to go out to the baths for (30 seconds) once or twice a day, and sometimes we were deprived of going out as a punishment."

About the methods of torture Yaman confirms that "detainees being subjected to all types and methods of daily torture, he says," after the jailer call on one of the detainees, we begin to pray for him, as we do not have anything else to do. "

He adds, "After the return of the detainee from the investigation, he becomes exhausted and his body is filled with blood as a result of torture and beatings with sticks, electric shocks, pouring boiling water, Shabeh, and torture by putting the detainees in a car tire, and dozens of detainees died in the cell days after their return from the investigation."

Yaman remembers saying byan investigator called (Abu Salim) says, "Heused to tell us that if it is up to us, we would prevent you to die and keep you alive in order to torture and kill you a thousand times."

He also confirms being suffered of many means of torture; such as Shabeh, pouring boiling water on his body, electric shocks, and random beatings what led to the break of his hand and leg, also sustained bruises on his head and all his body. He was left in the cell without medical care; as he was tortured to force him confess accusations against him which he did not commit.



He adds: "One of the guards called (Wesam), one day when we were pray in a group inside the cell and curse them, he heard us and came to the cell started beating us randomly and I was almost die as a result of his barbaric assaulting".

He talks about another case, the detainees were punished severely, which is "When the American battleships arrived to the Mediterranean to start a military operation in Syria in August 2013, the jailer used to enter the cell and start to beat us indiscriminately, as well as they deprived us from drinking water for several days.

Yaman adds": We learned this news from one a detainee who entered the solitary cell, and we believed that everything happens outside will reflect negatively on us and we will be beaten and tortured as if we were the doers. "

Yaman talks about the psychological torture and says, "The investigation was conducted with the detainees at a floor where women and children, and we could hear their voices and that was for psychologically torment."

About the status of women inside the prison, Yaman adds, "One day, one of the prisoners were punished and they put him with us in the cell, we asked him about women and children if they were tortured, he told us that the status of women is no better than young men. There are women give birth within the cells, and keep the child with his mother until her death or exit; he also told us about many cases of rape and immoral torture against women to put pressure on them in order to recognize the charges against them. "



It is worth mentioning that the AGPS had documented the data of (934) detained Palestinians, including 54 women who were arrested by the Syrian regime and patrols checkpoints.

Recent Updates

Heavy machine guns of the Syrian army targeted Zakia Khan Al Shieh road, which is the only road linking Khan Al Shieh camp with the surrounding areas, amid the closure of all roads, despite it is the only road that feeds residents of the camp.



Zakia road considered the most dangerous for people of Khan Al Shieh, where it always exposed to target the Syrian army, and many residents died during their passage by even they called it "road of death."

Meanwhile, the AGPS documented 134 victims from Khan Al Shieh camp who died during the war events in Syria.

In Aleppo, the Palestinian young woman «Aya Majid» 21-year-old from Neirab in Aleppo was injured in the Amiriya district while returning from



the city of Aleppo, which is witnessing clashes and sniping between now and then between the Syrian army and groups of the Syrian opposition, which is a parallel zone to Ramouseh bridge which is considered a way for the people of the camp.

It is noteworthy that the tense security situation in the city of Aleppo and Neirab camp reflect negatively on residents and their movement, where many of whom fell victims and wounded due to the ongoing war, in addition to the bad economic conditions which destroyed the people, leading some of them to participate in the conflict, while hundreds of Palestinian families and youth escaped as a result of the security and living conditions headed for Turkey and European countries.

In Aleppo also, two members of al-Quds Brigade pro-Syrian regime from Neirab camp in Aleppo were injured during clashes between the Syrian armed opposition and Brigade near (family House) in Aleppo.

The two refugees are: «Khalid Sheikh Taha» and «Abdul Rahman Mustafa, »who is in a critical condition.

According to activists, al-Quds Brigade is one of the pro-Syrian regime military groups, and was incorporated on 6 October 2013 but has not been announced at the time, and it take advantage of the difficult economic conditions experienced by residents to bring young people for money.

This group includes Palestinian refugees in Neirab, fighters from Al Raml camp and Handarat camp in Latakia, and fighters from the city of Aleppo and its western and northern suburb, while the Brigade headquarter is at Neirab.



Civil Work Committees

Al Wafaa European campaign distributed food aid to Palestinian refugees from Syria in Bar Elias in the Bekaa region, where the thirteenth convoy delegation visited 125 families living in this region, and provided them with vegetables, fruits, and meat baskets in order to alleviate their suffering.



It is noteworthy that 45,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria in Lebanon live in suffering because of the weakness of their financial resources, especially with the reduction of UNRWA financial assistance provided to them, in addition to the issue of residencies, its renewal, and its burdensome costs, as well as laws that prevent Palestinian refugees from working.

In the same context, Palestinians of Syria Committee in Turkey distributed some financial aid to Palestinian families located in the Turkish city of Gaziantep, which is estimated at (86) family.

It is noteworthy that about 3-6 thousands of Palestinians refugees fled to Turkey to escape the shelling and the siege in Syria.



Numbers and Statistics till 1/8/2015

- *80,000 Palestinian refugees escaped from Syria, including 10,687 refugees in Jordan, 51300 refugees in Lebanon, and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to the UNRWA's statistics till February 2015.*
- *At least 36,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees have reached Europe during the last 4 years.*
- *The Yarmouk Camp: - Siege, imposed by the Regular Army and PFGC, continued for 760 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 830 days, water was cut for 320 days respectively. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 177 victims.*
- *Al Husayneyya Camp: - Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 641 days respectively.*
- *Al Sbeina Camp: - Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 622 days respectively.*
- *Handarat Camp: - Residents have left the camp for 824 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.*



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- *Dara'a Camp: - It is now almost 467 days without water and 70% of its buildings were demolished.*
- *Jarmana, AL Saieda ZAINAB, Al Raml, Al Aedein Camps in Homs and Hamma: - A relatively quiet situation in light of the economic crises.*
- *Khan Al Sheih Camp: - Roads linking the camp to the city center are still closed except for Zakia- Khan Al Shieh road.*