



## التقرير اليومي الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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### *"Extrajudicial Execution of Palestinian Activist Bassel Khartabil by Syrian Gov't Strongly Condemned"*



- **Palestinian Refugee Udai Daoud Held in Syrian Jail for 4th Year**
- **Migrants from Syria Rally outside German Embassy in Athens**

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### *Latest Developments*

*Several states and human rights institutions condemned, in the strongest terms, the execution of the prominent Palestinian cyber activist Bassel Khartabil in Syrian government jails, where he had been locked up for three years.*

*In a Friday statement, the United States said it is deeply saddened by reports of the execution of Syrian blogger and activist Bassel Khartabil by the Syrian regime.*

*“We extend our deepest and heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and loved ones,” the statement read.*

*The United States expressed its outrage over the repeated acts of brutality, including torture, and extra-judicial executions, conducted by the Syrian regime.*



*“The Assad regime bears responsibility for the widespread suffering, death, and destruction it has inflicted on its own citizens,” it said.*



*Responding to news of the execution of the human rights activist Khartabil in detention in Syria, Anna Neistat, Amnesty International's Senior Director of Research, said: "We are deeply saddened and outraged at this awful news."*

*"Bassel Khartabil will always be remembered as a symbol of courage, who peacefully fought for freedom to the very end. Our thoughts are with his family," she added.*

*"Bassel Khartabil's death is a grim reminder of the horrors that take place in Syrian prisons every day," Neistat maintained. "The tens of thousands of people currently locked away inside Syrian government detention facilities face torture, ill-treatment and extrajudicial executions. These cruel acts undoubtedly amount to war crimes and crimes against humanity.*

*UK's Special Representative for Syria, Gareth Bayley, also extended his deepest condolences to Khartabil's family and said that the casualty was a peaceful defender of human rights and of the freedom of expression and information.*

*"The Assad regime's rampant use of torture, arbitrary detention and execution of tens of thousands of innocent Syrians – whose only crime was to want a better future for their country – must be put to an end," Bayley posted on Twitter.*

*The extrajudicial execution of Khartabil sparked furor on social media networks, with thousands of bloggers, activists, and social media users expressing their deepest sadness for his death and sympathy with his wife and family.*



*The Syrian government executed the Palestinian web developer and cyber activist Bassel Khartabil AlSafadi in 2015, his family has said.*

*The execution of Bassel Khartabil was carried out days after he was moved to the Adra prison on October 3, 2015.*

*Bassel was kidnapped by the Syrian intelligence forces on March 15, 2012 and detained for eight months before he was transferred to the Adra prison in Damascus in December 2012. Basel had been subjected to harsh torture in the Adra lock-up.*

*The computer engineer is credited with vastly extending online access and knowledge and was a regular contributor to Wikipedia, Mozilla Firefox, and Open Clip Art, among other international encyclopedias, web browsers, and corporations.*

*Meanwhile, Palestinian refugee Udai Ahmed AlHaj Daoud, aged 25, has been held in Syrian government lock-ups since December 27, 2013, after he was kidnapped in an abrupt sweep at AlBaath University in Tartous.*

*Udai, a resident of AlKashef neighborhood, in Daraa, was a first year student of engineering at AlBaath University.*





*AGPS documented the incarceration of 1,622 Palestinians in Syrian government jails, where 465 others died under torture.*

*In another development, some 150 migrants from Syria, among whom Palestinian refugees, rallied outside the German embassy in Athens, urging the German authorities to reunite them with their families in Germany.*

*The rally-goers marched from the Greek parliament to the embassy headquarters, lifting banners reading “I want to see my family” and “the right to family reunification is not crime”.*

*Greece and Germany have agreed to slow down the reunification of refugee families bided between the two nations during their scramble to safety, according to a leaked letter obtained by leftist daily Efimerida ton Syntakton sometime earlier.*

*Some 400 Palestinian refugees, mostly from the Syrian camps of Daraa, Yarmouk, AlAydeen, and AlHusseiniya, have been seeking shelter in makeshift tents and under-equipped halls on such Greek islands as Lesbos, Chios, Leros, and Kos.*





***Palestinians of Syria: August 04, 2017 Statistics:***

- *At least 3,547 Palestinians, including 463 women, were killed in war-torn Syria.*
- *1,622 Palestinian refugees, including 102 women, are incarcerated in Syrian government lock-ups.*
- *Yarmouk refugee camp has been blockaded by the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine - General Command (PFLP-GC) for 1,470 days in a row.*
- *196 Palestinians died of undernourishment and medical neglect in the blockaded Yarmouk Camp.*
- *Water supplies cut off in Deraa and Yarmouk camps respectively for 1,209 and 1,058 days.*
- *Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 1,552 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 305 days.*
- *Nearly 85,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria fled to Europe until the end of 2016.*
- *31,000 Palestinians from Syria are housed in Lebanon.*
- *17,000 Palestinians from Syria are taking refuge in Jordan.*
- *6,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in Egypt.*
- *8,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are taking shelter in Turkey.*
- *1,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in the blockaded Gaza Strip.*