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"Clashes between Jaish Al-Salam and ISIS in the besieged Yarmouk camp"

- Dozens of Palestinian-Syrian refugees get Swedish and Dutch citizenships
- More than 500 refugees reach the Greek Islands within 4 days
- The Syrian regime continues to detain Palestinian "Mohammed Omar"

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Latest Developments

Sporadic clashes broke out in the late hours of they day before yesterday, between ISIS and groups from Jaish Al-Salam, which launched an attack on one of ISIS's center points in the Zein neighborhood, in Yarmouk camp.

According to the reports received by AGPS, the fighting resulted in a number of deaths and injuries among the ranks of ISIS.

This comes amid ISIS's tightening procedures against the residents of the areas of its control in Yarmouk camp. A few days ago, it implemented tightened restrictions on the movement from the areas of its control to the regions dominated by the opposition factions, aggravating the suffering of the residents.



In the meantime, most of the food sources and basic materials are still missing in the camp because of the strict siege imposed by the Syrian regime on Yarmouk camp, for more than 1633 days and led to the death of 200 people, as a result of the lack of food and medical services.



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Last year has seen an increase in the number of Palestinian-Syrian refugees who have received the Swedish and Dutch citizenships, after meeting the legal conditions for obtaining them.

According to the Dutch law, Palestinian-Syrians are allowed the right to apply for the citizenship, after 3 years of their presence in the country, in addition to achieving a certain level of fluency in the Dutch language.

A Palestinian-Syrian refugee who has spent four years in Sweden, is allowed the right to apply for the nationality. Sweden has not yet imposed any other conditions for obtaining its nationality. Palestinian-Syrian children born in Sweden are automatically given the citizenship, under the condition that one of their parents have permanent residence in Sweden.

In general, the Netherlands and Sweden whose laws help refugees to acquire their nationalities, while Germany and Denmark are more stringent.

At least 85 thousand Palestinian refugees have arrived in Europe in recent years, in escape of the horror of the Syrian war, which has hit most of the Palestinian camps there, in addition to the ill-treatment of the Palestinian-Syrian by the neighboring countries, and not allowing them to enter their territories.

In the meantime, more than 500 migrants, including Palestinian-Syrians, reached the Greek Islands, after crossing the Aegean Sea from Turkey aboard death boats. According to Human



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Rights reports, 507 refugees arrived at the Greek Islands, between 01-01-2018 and Thursday 04-01-2018.

According to the statistics, 266 people arrived at Lesbos Island, 102 in Chios and 139 refugees reached Samos, indicating the rise in the flow once again, with the start of 2018.



The number of Palestinian-Syrians stranded on the Greek Islands until the end of 2016, is estimated at 400 refugees, most of which are on the Islands of Lesbos, Mytilene, Chios, Leros and Kos. Children, women and elderly people are among the stranded, who are distributed across the refugee camps. Some are living in tents, while others are staying in caravans and large halls.

After seven years since the outbreak of war, and great pain and hope, AGPS has called for the documentation of their stories within the “This is My Story” project, launched by the Group in order to record the suffering of the Palestinian refugees during the Syrian war.

In another context, the Syrian regime continues to detain the 51-year-old, Palestinian refugee, “Mohammed Omar,” from Yarmouk camp, following his arrest by the Syrian security services



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on 18-07-2013, after finishing a visit to his relatives in the Aedin camp in Homs.

He was transferred from the military security branch in Homs to Damascus two months after his arrest. He was last seen in the fifth month of 2014, as confirmed by one of the released.

AGPS receives a number of messages and information about the detained Palestinians. They are then documented despite the difficulty of recording information because the Syrian regime continues to hide the fate, names and locations of the detainees. The Group has recorded the detention of 1644 Palestinian refugees in the Syrian regime prisons.



Palestinians of Syria: January 05, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3632, including 463 women
- 1644 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 1,633 days in a row



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- 204 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1370 days, and 1210 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 468 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
- 8 thousand refugees are staying in Turkey
- One thousand refugees are present in Gaza