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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



**"Palestinians of Syria Continue to Protest in Beirut over UNRWA Aid Cut"**

- Displaced Families Called Upon to Submit Demands for Return to Yarmouk Camp
- UK Gov't: Syria Unsafe for Refugee Returns
- Palestinian Refugees from Gaza, Jordan to Receive Subsidized Bread in Syria

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## Latest Developments

Dozens of Palestinian families from Syria (PRS) who were displaced to Lebanon continue to rally outside of the headquarters of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) in Beirut for the third day running, protesting the Agency's decision to cut cash aid for PRS families.

Over recent days, so-called "Tent 194" has been set up outside of UNRWA headquarters in Beirut, in reference to UN Resolution 194 issued by the UN General Assembly on December 11, 1948 resolving that the refugees wishing to return to their homes and live at peace with their neighbours should be permitted to do so at the earliest practicable date, and that compensation should be paid for the property of those choosing not to return and for loss of or damage to property which, under principles of international law or in equity, should be made good by the Governments or authorities responsible;

Palestinian refugees displaced from Syria in Lebanon have called on UNRWA to take urgent action in response to the dire socio-economic condition and abject poverty they have been grappling with in the Lebanese territories.

The refugees denounced UNRWA's latest decision to cut aid for PRS and suspend shelter and food grants, urging the agency to cancel the decision and deliver winter aid to vulnerable families.



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Starting 2022, UNRWA decided that multi-purpose monthly cash grants of 100 USD to every registered family be reduced to 25 USD per person, resulting in further despair for PRS.

Some 27,000 Palestinians from Syria have sought refuge in Lebanon, where they have been enduring exacerbated living conditions and subjected to a precarious legal status.

In another development, activists have called on residents of Yarmouk Camp to submit applications to return to their houses and retrieve their property.

Lawyer Nour AlDeen Salman said return permits are granted in a one hour time-span as authorities prepared detailed maps of habitable and non-habitable buildings.

Residents with property built on land belonging to the General Authority for Palestinian Arab Refugees (GAPAR) should present a residence permit or sale contract along with a UNRWA card, a family statement, and a personal photo.

Meanwhile, Britain on Tuesday said it is “not returning” any people to Syria in line with the UN judgment that the latter “remains unsafe.”

The statement from Home Office came after reports by The Guardian on Sunday that a Syrian asylum seeker was asked to go back to his country.



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The daily said, based on a refusal letter from the Home Office, that the 25-year-old man was told that he could return to the country he fled during the war because it is safe to do so.

The Syrian asylum seeker fled “forcible conscription” into the Syrian regime’s army in 2017, saying he would have been forced to kill other Syrians if returned.

He also said he could be targeted as a draft evader, arrested, and even killed in Syria.

The Guardian said it saw a refusal letter from Home Office last month.

“I am not satisfied to a reasonable degree of likelihood that you have a well-founded fear of persecution,” the letter was quoted as saying.

Home Office’s official Twitter account on Tuesday said: “In the current circumstances we are not returning people to Syria.”

“The UK Government agrees with the UN judgement that Syria remains unsafe for them.”

The asylum seeker had told the British paper that he “escaped from Syria in 2017 and I am looking for safety.”

“I hope I will not be forced back to Syria. I am so tired of trying to find somewhere that I can be safe.”

AGPS data indicates that 16 Palestinian refugees were arrested on their way back to Syria from European and non-European



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destinations, 13 among them returned from Lebanon and three from Sweden, The Netherlands, and Germany.

Meanwhile, the municipality council in Deraa city, south of Syria, called on Palestinian refugees from Gaza and Palestinians with Jordanian travel documents sheltered in Deraa to register their names and personal information to receive bread at subsidized prices.

The move comes following calls to include Palestinians on the list of beneficiaries of subsidized bread through the smart card.

The municipality council stressed the need for concerned refugees to present a family statement among other official documents. Palestinians without smart cards should show up at the office of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine – General Command in AlKashef neighborhood, in Deraa, to register their names.