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Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee Sami Adnan Omar, born in 1994, was assassinated by anonymous gunmen on Tuesday, April 13, in Deraa camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Syria.

Reporting from southern Syria, an AGPS news correspondent said Sami's body was found in AlHadika cemetery in the camp while covered in blood from head to toe.

Over recent years, dozens of assassination operations have targeted Palestinian refugees sheltered south of Syria.

In another development, Palestinian activists launched an e-campaign under the hashtag #MayYourHandGetBroken in protest at the assault carried out by a man called Atallah AlHassan, from the Palestine Embassy in Beirut, against a Palestinian refugee woman.

Atallah reportedly slapped the woman on her face at the same time as a number of Fatah Movement affiliates attacked a number of Palestinian refugees who joined a vigil held outside of the embassy on April 12 to push for urgent humanitarian assistance.

Over 470,000 refugees are registered with UNRWA in Lebanon. About 45 per cent of them live in the country's 12 refugee camps. Conditions in the camps are dire and characterized by overcrowding, poor housing conditions, unemployment, poverty and lack of access to justice.



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Palestinians in Lebanon do not enjoy several important rights; for example, they cannot work in many professions and cannot own property (real estate). Because they are not formally citizens of another state, Palestine refugees are unable to claim the same rights as other foreigners living and working in Lebanon.

Meanwhile, the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) said food aid items will be distributed to the refugees, in cooperation with the General Authority for Palestinian Arab Refugees (GAPAR), as of April 19.

Every registered Palestinian family member in Syria will receive 20 kilograms of flour, 1 kg of rice, 1 kg of bulgur, 2 liters of vegetable oil, 1 kg of sugar, 2 kg of chickpeas, 2 kg of lentils, 1/4 kg of milk, and a can of sardines.

Text messages will be sent to the concerned refugees.

After ten years of conflict, Palestine refugees continue to be one of the most vulnerable groups in Syria with immense humanitarian needs.

Survival for the majority of Palestinian families in war-stricken Syria has largely hinged on relief assistance. The vast majority of families have been living below the poverty line.

In the meantime, a new migrant camp on the Greek island of Lesbos has been given the go ahead after a vote by the local municipal council. The exact location of the camp is not yet clear.



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The Municipal Council of Mytilene, on the northern Aegean island of Lesbos, first convened last Wednesday (April 7) and talks continued into the weekend before confirming a consensus for the new, modern, closed camp to be built.

However, instead of confirming the previous decision for the creation of the new facility for asylum seekers in the remote location of Vastria, the council voted in favor of a second option, the creation of the new facility without a specific geographical designation. The location is to be defined by the council at a later date.

The move comes just a week after a visit by the EU Home Affairs Commissioner Ylva Johansson, whose presence was greeted by strong opposition from local residents and communities living near the planned site in the Vastria area.

The exact location of the new site remains to be seen, but reports stated it will be in a remote location, away from any towns or villages.

The new structure's standard capacity will be 3,000 people, but it will be able to accommodate an additional 2,000 people.

While locals are against the move, in whatever location it may be, the truth is that the new facility is much needed for the migrant population currently living at the main camp at Kara Tepe.



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The notoriously squalid 'tent city', or 'Moria 2.0' as it has been described by NGO's, human rights groups and media observers alike, is desperately primitive and overcrowded.

Greece's migration minister Notis Mitarakis said on Twitter: "The Municipal Council of Mytilene chose for the second time to leave behind the effects of immigration by closing the existing structures and apartments and creating a safe structure outside the city."