



## التقرير اليومي الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

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### *"Activists Launch Campaign "Save the Yarmouk of Genocide "amid Continuing Clashes for 8 Consecutive Days"*



- Artillery and Missile Strikes Target Handarat Camp in Aleppo
- A Released Detainee Confirms the Death of a Refugee due to Torture in the Syrian Regime's Prisons
- Palestinians of Europe 14th Conference: Palestinians of Syria is the Most Important Issues on the Conference Agenda

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### Recent Updates

*Palestinian activists launched an electronic campaign titled "Save the Yarmouk refugee camp of Genocide" addresses the Human Rights Watch organization demanding urgent and immediate intervention to save the Yarmouk camp south of Damascus. The campaign came following violent clashes that erupted two weeks ago between ISIS and Al Nusra Front.*



*The activists stressed in their campaign, which was launched at Avaaz network for the international community campaigns, on the need for mobilization to save the Yarmouk refugee camp where thousands of families live within an area of 2 square kilometers under siege for 1034 days. They live without water for 583 days. The campaign also demanded urgent mobilization to save the civilians who are at risk of genocide inside camp and in dire need of international protection to save them now before it is too late.*



*In the same context, activists launched a hashtag on (Facebook) titled (Yarmouk is Burning), in solidarity with people of the Yarmouk and to demand the cessation of hostilities in it, opening of a security corridor for civilians, and the introduction of medicine and food.*

*Meanwhile, the AGPS has issued a press release warning of a new humanitarian catastrophe in the Yarmouk refugee camp because of the frantic attempts by ISIS and Al Nusra Front to control and extend their military influence over the camp, in addition to the acts of shelling, sniping, violations, and the destruction of public and private property inside the camp.*

*Rapid and immediate interventions by all parties to cease hostilities, neutralize civilians, and evacuate them to safer areas inside the camp.*

*Lift the siege of the Yarmouk camp and to allow the entry of aid and medical and humanitarian personnel to provide emergency relief for refugees in the camp.*

*Clashes are still ongoing in the Yarmouk refugee camp between ISIS and Al Nusra Front for the eighth day respectively, on several axes especially MASbah Al Basel area. News reported that ISIS targeted Al Nusra controlled areas with mortar shells, while the latter attacked Al Orouba checkpoint of ISIS. Sounds of explosions and violent clashes were heard at that region, as well as violent clashes broke out at the points of contact between Al Nusra and the regular army alongside the affiliated groups using light and medium weapons.*



*This comes amid appeals to open the road for civilians and neutralize them from the ongoing conflict in the camp, as well as the need for the introduction of medical and food for the besieged people, and to stop the fighting and targeting civilian property by burning and destruction after being robbed since the beginning of the displacement of people from their homes.*

*Al Nusra groups had helped ISIS breaking into Yarmouk and control, in early April last year, while the regular army and PFGC groups continue besieging the camp for 1034 days respectively, while power cut for more than (1095) days, and water for 584 days, as the number of siege victims has reached 186 victims.*

*In northern Syria, the Syrian regime forces violently targeted Handarat camp for Palestinian refugees in Aleppo with artillery and rocket shelling coincided with violent clashes between the Syrian armed opposition groups and the Regular Army forces, where the latter is trying to regain control of the camp .*



*The camp is completely empty, where residents were forced to leave their camp following the violent clashes that broke out between the regime and opposition forces, before about (1082) days, which ended with the opposition control over the camp .*

*The Syrian armed opposition forces prevented the return of residents to the camp since that period, while the camp was repeatedly shelled with explosive barrels throughout that period, which resulted in the destruction of approximately 80% of the camp's homes.*



*On the other hand, a released detainee, who refused to reveal his name for fear of the regime's brutality, confirmed that a Palestinian young man from the Yarmouk refugee camp from Al Shihabi family died due to torture in the Syrian regime's prisons, a few days after being arrested in 2013. The Detainees Documentation Center, who transferred the testimony of the released detainee, added that "Shihabi" was 20 years, newly married, and was wearing a red "jacket" at the moment he was arrested.*



*It is noteworthy that many of released prisoners transferred their observations about Palestinians detained or about a number of those who died under torture in the regime's prisons, while the Syrian security forces continue reticence on the fate of the detainees, and exercise all forms of torture against them, including women, according to those documented testimonies. The AGPS documented 439 Palestinian victims who have died under torture in the Syrian regime's security apparatus prisons.*

*The organizers of Palestinians of Europe 14th Conference confirmed that the conference will give the Palestinians of Syria issue special attention, because of the tragedy and suffering that they are still incur as a result of the war in Syria, pointing out that the Palestinians of Syria issue will be address from all political, humanitarian, and legal levels, noting that the Palestinians of Syria are now constitute an important segment in Europe*



*The Palestinians of Syria issue occupies prominent place since 2011 in the agenda of the Palestinians of Europe Conference which is one of the most prominent Arab and Islamic conferences in the European continent, where the conference regularly held since 13 years, moving between European capitals, which first was in London (2003).*



***Palestinians of Syria; Numbers and Statistics till 14\04\2016:***

- *15500 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Jordan*
- *42.500 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Lebanon*
- *6000 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Egypt, according to the UNRWA statistics till July 2015*
- *1000 Palestinian Syrian refugees are in Gaza*
- *More than 71.2 thousand Palestinian Syrian refugees have reached Europe till the End of December 2015*
- *The Yarmouk Camp: siege, imposed by the Regular Army and PFGC groups, continued for 1034 consecutive days. Power cut continued for more than 1095 days, water was cut for 584 days respectively. The number of siege victims is 186.*
- *Al Sbeina Camp: - Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 889 days respectively.*
- *Handarat Camp: - All Residents have left the camp for about 1082 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.*
- *Dara'a Camp: - It is now almost 742 days without water and almost 70% of its buildings were demolished.*
- *Jermana, 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 Sheih road.*