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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinians from Syria Prevented from Burying Their Relatives in Lebanon"

- Meeting between PLO, Syrian Officials Culminate in Pledges to Reconstruct Yarmouk
- Palestinian activist Youssef AlKubra, from AlNeirab Camp still in custody
- Jafra Provides Water Supplies to Displaced Palestinian Families

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Latest Developments

Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon said they could not find tombs to bury their dead relatives.

Palestinian activists in AlBekaa said an elderly man from Yarmouk Camp was laid to rest seven days after he was pronounced dead. A Lebanese man offered to bury him in a tomb where 14 dead bodies have been interred.



Another Palestinian refugee from Syria in Lebanon said the Lebanese authorities prevented him from burying his son outside of the Ein Hilweh refugee camp.

“You do not have the right to bury your sons in Lebanon for you are Palestinians”, the refugee quoted authorities as stating. Sometime later, a soldier at the Lebanese army allowed them in, saying only the son’s father and another person can carry out the burial procedures.

According to UNRWA statistics, 31,000 Palestinians from Syria have sought shelter in Lebanon. The Housing Census of Palestinian Camps and Gatherings in Lebanon, carried out in mid-2017, found out that the number has shrunk back to 18,601 refugees.



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Meanwhile, a delegation of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) wrapped up on Saturday a visit to Damascus, where it met with Syrian officials over the situation of Palestinian refugees in war-ragged Syria.



Members of the PLO Executive Committee, Azzam AlAhmad, Ahmed Abu Houli, Wasel Abu Youssef, along with member of Fatah Central Council, Samir AlRefai', the Palestine Ambassador to Lebanon, Ashraf Dabour, Palestine envoy to Syria, Mahmoud AlKhalidi, were in attendance. The Syrian side was represented by Prime Minister Emad Khamis, Interior Minister, Mohamed AlSha'ar, Social Affairs Minister, Rima Kadiri, and Deputy Foreign Minister Faysal AlMeqdad.

In a statement issued a couple of days ago, Abu Houli said the two parties discussed the bilateral ties between the Palestinians and Syrians along with the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria and the most efficient mechanisms to reconstruct refugee camps, particularly Yarmouk.

According to Abu Houli, Syrian officials pledged to work on the reconstruction of Yarmouk in anticipation of the refugees' safe return to the camp.



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Abu Houli said senior Syrian officials also pledged to keep tabs on the detainees' file and to update the PLO on new developments in this regard as they emerge.

The PLO delegation handed over a list of Palestinians who have gone missing in Syria.

Nearly 80% of buildings and structures in the camp were totally or partially destroyed in the latest hostilities that rocked the area in April. Some 700 Palestinian families have been displaced from Yarmouk and southern Damascus to northern Syria.

In the meantime, the Syrian government forces have kept Palestinian activist Youssef AlKubra, from AlNeirab Camp for Palestinian refugees in Aleppo, in custody.

Youssef is an affiliate of the anti-occupation Islamic Jihad Movement in Palestine.

AGPS documented the incarceration of 1,680 Palestinians from Syria in government lock-ups.





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Civil Action

The Jafra Foundation for Relief and Development filled water tanks for a number of Palestinian refugees seeking shelter in Yalda and Babila, south of Damascus.

2,000 refugees, among them thousands of families who were forcibly displaced from Yarmouk, have sought shelter in adjacent towns.