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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Bombardments and violent clashes between ISIS and opposition groups in south Syria"

- Palestinian man dies of torture in Syrian regime prisons
- Regime bans "Thanaweya Amma" students in south Damascus from leaving through the Babilla crossing to take the standard exam
- Freedom bus starts in London to demand the release of detainees in the Syrian regime prisons

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Victims

Palestinian refugee “Ezz El-Din Al-Khateb” has died of torture in the Syrian regime prisons. The Syrian security which detained him three years ago, handed his family his identity and death certificate. Ezz was a resident of Al-Sayeda Zeinab camp for Palestinian refugees in the Damascus suburbs. According to AGPS’s updated statistics, the number of detained refugees who have died of torture in the regime’s prisons has reached 474 victims.



Latest Developments

AGPS’s correspondent in south Syria has confirmed the outbreak of violent clashes between the Khaled Ibn Al-Walid battalion, affiliated to ISIS and the armed Syrian opposition groups in the west of the Yarmouk Basin, which is home to a number of camps and gatherings for Palestinian refugees.

Our reporter added that the clashes have been ongoing for three days, as the opposition factions continue to fight ISIS for areas they lost control of in the Yarmouk Basin.



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The remaining Palestinian refugees in the area are living in tough conditions due to the clashes and bombardments, as well as the tightening procedures ISIS is imposing on them, the lack of financial sources, spreading unemployment, aid cuts and poor health conditions.



The western side of Yarmouk basin had seen a wave of displacement, due to the intensification of clashes between ISIS and the armed opposition factions. The Khaled Ibn Al-Walid battalion took control of many areas in the Yarmouk Basin, including the towns of Tasil, Jileen, Sahm and Tal Al-Jamoua.

ISIS had committed a massacre late in February in Jileen town after, after clashes with “Al-Jaish Al-Hur” and its allied factions, leading to the death of a number of refugees documented by AGPS.

In March, ISIS targeted a number of refugees, leading to four middle and severe injuries among the refugees, as they tried to escape Jileen camp, which is controlled by ISIS.



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In a similar context, AGPS's reporter in Yarmouk camp confirmed that members of the "Hagez Babilla" battalion in the Damascus suburbs, affiliated to the regime, prevented "Thanaweya Amma" students in the south of Damascus from going out to take the standard exam, made for students who are unable to study in schools.

One of the students told our correspondent that members of "Al-Hagez" the ban came as a reaction to the declaration of entry into south Damascus, in the agreement to reduce areas escalation.

Our correspondent also pointed out that the armed Syrian opposition groups had stepped up its actions through the Yelda / Yarmouk checkpoint this morning, where residents were allowed to enter in groups from time to time.

In another context, a double-decker bus carrying photographs of the detained in Syrian prisons with the words "Damascus" and "Freedom for the detained" written on it, roamed the streets of London.

Inside the bus, were six Syrian women, related to detained or disappeared refugees, including "Noura Ghazi," wife of the Palestinian activist "Basel Safady" who was executed in the Syrian prisons after three years of detention.

The campaign was organized by the "Families for Freedom" movement led by Syrians to defend the rights of detainees and the disappeared, with the aim of raising awareness of the situation of detainees in Syria and demanding their release.



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The campaign's organizers said: "This bus carries with it the heart beats of mothers waiting for their children, and the longing wives, brothers, sisters and husbands waiting for their families to knock on their doors again.

After taking a tour on several streets in London, the bus stopped at Big Ben in central London, where the women came off carrying photographs of detainees to share "stories of hope and challenges", according to the organizers.



The women said that throughout its journey, the bus will pass through cities across the world, to gather the support of the nations that are against the regime and to raise the sound of freedom for those who have been detained or disappeared.

The women spoke about their hope to end their journey in the court house in Damascus saying: "We will announce the end of arbitrary detention or enforced disappearances.

The number of detained Palestinians in the Syrian regime prisons has exceeded 1639 people, according to AGPS. They face the worst kinds of torture by the Syrian security and many deaths have been documented.



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Palestinians of Syria: October 14, 2017 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3600, including 462 women
- 1640 Palestinians are locked up behind Syrian government's bars, 105 of which are women
- Yarmouk refugee camp is under the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine's siege for 1,550 days in a row
- 199 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1287 days, and 1127 days in Yarmouk Camp
- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo have been banned from their homes for 1,623 days. Government troops have taken over the camp for more than 374 days.
- 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