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Victims

An ex-detainee who was recently released from the state-run Sednaya military prison north of Damascus said the Syrian authorities executed the Palestinian refugee Ahmed ALAboush, a resident of ALHajar ALAswad, following his mother's visit in 2015.

AGPS has been deeply concerned about the simmering executions carried out against the detainees, among them Palestinian refugees, in Syria's Sednaya military prison.



Latest Developments

Palestinian refugees from Syria trapped in Thailand have urged the international community, the United Nations, the Palestine Liberation Organization, and the Palestinian Embassy, among other concerned bodies, to rally around them and work on releasing those held in Thai jails.

The refugees said that all the way through the past seven years, the Thai authorities have been treating them as lawbreakers rather than asylum seekers fleeing war-stricken zones. A number of refugees have been arrested after they overstayed their visas.



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Dozens of Palestinian and Syrian refugees from Syria have been grappling with dire conditions in Thailand, according to testimonies by refugees from Bangkok.

Dozens of refugees, among them women, children and elderly persons, have been detained in Thailand for overstaying their visas.



Refugee families in Thailand also risk to go forcibly deported after the Thai authorities issued a decision to tighten grip on refugees without legal residence permits. The measure will bring about serious fallouts on the Palestinian refugees who can neither return to their homeland nor head for another destination.

Over recent years, activists have raised alarm bells over the dire conditions of captivity in Thai detention centers, where dozens of inmates are crammed into cells that can barely accommodate a handful of persons. Palestinian refugees are also locked up in cells where drug traffickers, sex traffickers, and criminals are held.

The situation is far exacerbated by the failure of the UNHCR to live up to its responsibilities as regards the crisis.



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Along the same line, Palestinian refugees from Syria rallied on Tuesday outside of the UNRWA office in Amman, protesting the agency's poor services and reluctance to meet their demands, including their calls to shell out monthly allowances so as to enable the refugees to pay their rental fees and other charges such as power and water bills.



In response to the protests, the agency said it cannot meet the refugees' demands due to the funding crunch it has been facing, adding that cash allowances have been distributed on a regular basis to meet the refugees' basic needs, including food, power, and water.

The refugees said the relief and cash aids provided by the agency do not meet their needs in light of the swift price leap, high rates of unemployment, and their lack of access to the local labor market.

Meanwhile, Syria's Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates Faysal Miqdad said the Syrian government will prop up support for UNRWA in such a way as to enable the agency to keep up its relief services for Palestinian refugees in Syria.



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Speaking during a Monday meeting with the director-elect of UNRWA operations in Syria Michael Mania, who will replace incumbent director Mohammed Abdi Adar, Miqdad reiterated his government's commitment to support UNRWA in the face of the hurdles set by the US administration and the Israeli occupation.

Director-elect of UNRWA operations in Syria, Michael Mania, hailed the Syrian people for standing by UNRWA and vowed to do his best to cooperate with the concerned Syrian authorities in favor of the Palestinian refugee community.

In the meantime, Residents of Jaramana Camp for Palestinian refugees in Rif Dimashq spoke out against the poor-quality of bread sold in the area.

The residents said they have been forced to lineup outside of the local oven for hours in order to get a loaf of bread. Dozens of families have been forced to walk for several kilometers to fetch bread for their starved children.

The locals said bread is unfit for human consumption, holding the government's control staff responsible for the crisis. Others spoke out against the insufficient quantity allotted to the camp, saying shopkeepers have been buying large quantities of bread and selling it to civilians at high prices.

Long queues are spotted daily outside of the local bakery as members of extended families continue to line up for bread.

Residents of Jaramana Camp, located a few kilometers away from central Damascus, also continue to set off alarm bells over the lack



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of basic services and dire socio-economic conditions rocking the area as a result of the steep rental fees, high rates of unemployment, and price hike.

The absence of relief assistance by UNRWA and other humanitarian institutions has made life unbearable in Jaramana Camp.