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"UNRWA Announces Suspending Urgent Aid for Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon, and the AGPS Condemns"



- Hamas: We Refuse the UNRWA's Decision, and all Options of Peaceful Actions are Open until Decision Cancelled
- Sporadic Clashes at Yarmouk Camp in Damascus Suburb
- Shelling at Al Tiba Town Adjacent to Khan Dannon Camp in Damascus Suburb
- Explosive Barrels Target the Vicinity of Khan Al Shieh Camp, and the Security arrested a Resident
- A Palestinian Refugee from Al Aedein Camp in Homs was Arrested

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Lebanon

UNRWA announced, in the words of its Director-General in Lebanon, "Matthias Shamali," the suspension of urgent aid related to the cash allowance for shelter for all Palestinian Syrians in Lebanon, starting from July 2015.

Dozens of Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon received SMSs from UNRWA confirming the suspension of an amount of 150,000 LL, or \$ 100 was paid as shelter allowances, due to the scarcity of funding, that forced UNRWA to suspend its aid, according to the message.



For its part, the AGPS denounced these procedures, in a statement, as well as, it also condemned the continuous reduction of emergency aid to Palestinian refugees of Syria in Lebanon because of the consequent aggravation of their misery and suffering, and a threat to the social security, and their right to live in dignity.

The statement also called UNRWA for immediate undo this unjust decision against 43,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria in Lebanon, and



to continue providing emergency shelter allowance and food aid to them until the end of their plight, and not to evade direct responsibility for the Palestinian refugees," calling international community to shoulder its responsibility towards the Palestinian refugee issue, and to fulfill its obligations toward them, and to take serious actions towards resolving the permanent disability problem in UNRWA fund in order to avoid repercussions on refugees.

The statement also called the Arab League and the Palestinian Authority to immediately intervene to prevent the implementation of this resolution, and to put pressure on UNRWA in order to undo this decision."

Meanwhile, the AGPS called civil and popular society to take action against the austerity and the reduction policy followed by UNRWA against the right of Palestinian refugees."

In this regard, "Ahmed Hussein," the AGPS coordinator, stated that UNRWA's decision on the pretext of the lack of funding, does not absolve them of responsibility, and the stricken refugee should not pay the price of international donors evasion of their responsibilities, especially as we're talking about an international organization of the United Nations that has enough of solutions by its direct custody over the Palestinian refugees through UNRWA. "

Mr. "Hussein" stressed that UNRWA is demanded to resume aid and even increase it under the harsh conditions experienced by the Palestinians inside and outside Syria, calling at the same time all official



Palestinian bodies to take action and to bear its natural functions towards what is happening."

In the same context, the Office of Refugee Affairs in the Hamas movement in Lebanon, issued a press release, in which the AGPS received a copy of it, that "Hamas" confirmed its rejection of the decision announced by Director General of "UNRWA" in Lebanon, Mr. Matthias Schmale yesterday, that UNRWA started suspension of shelter allowances for more than 43,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria in Lebanon.

He described the decision as unjust and sudden. The statement also confirmed that the provision of funds to the budget of UNRWA, projects, and emergencies are the responsibility of (UNRWA) itself, and if it failed in this regard, then the Central Fund of the United Nations is the responsible."

The statement considered the decision of UNRWA as a "serious step of additional restrictions against our people of Palestinians of Syria", which means "the agency evades its responsibilities towards the Palestinian refugees of Syria."

The statement stressed "Hamas' s rejection about that resolution, and that it" will not be satisfied with this statement, and the options of peaceful actions are open until decision cancelled. "

The statement also called on "affective and powerful bodies, such as the Lebanese government and the international community to put pressure on UNRWA in order to undo this resolution, calling donors to support the emergency budget of Palestinians of Syria. "



Recent Updates

For the third consecutive days, the Yarmouk camp in the south of Damascus the Syrian capital witnesses violent clashes between ISIS alongside Nusra front and Regular Army alongside the Palestinian factions loyal to the Army, where the clashes focused around Al Thalathini street crossing , the vicinity of the court and the Yarmouk Secondary School.

The residents of Yarmouk camp live in difficult humanitarian situation due to the shortage of essentials of live due to the stop of food aid since the took over of ISIS on the camp in the beginning of April 2015. The residents also complain of the continuation of water and power cut on their houses and street since many months.

The Vicinity of Khan Al Sheih camp for Palestinian refugees in Damascus suburb was exposed to bombing with explosive barrels, coincided with separate clashes near Autostrad Al Salam which spread a horror state amongst the residents. The Regular Army continues to close all roads which connect the camp with Damascus the capital except Zakia-Khan Al Shieh road which is exposed to frequent targeting, where Khalid Hadad from the residents of the camp was arrested by the Kokab checkpoint's members.



In Damascus Suburb, Al Tiba town which surrounds Khan Danoun camp for Palestinian refugees was exposed to bombing, where explosions sounds were heard clearly in the camp. It is mentioned that Al Tiba town witnessed separate clashes between the Regular army and the Opposition armed groups during the last period, which led to a worry and watching state amongst the residents fearing from reaching those clashes to their camp. It is referred that Khan Danoun receives hundreds of Palestinian families who left their camps due to bombing, siege and clashes.

In Homs, the refugee Abdu Ghannam from Al Aedin camp in Homs was arrested in 20th of May 2015 and he is in his fifties. Abdu Ghannam's origin is from Al Tira village in Haifa in Palestine.

Numbers and Statistics till 19/5/2015:-

- Thousands of Palestinian refugees escaped from Syria, including 10,687 refugees in Jordan, 51300 refugees in Lebanon, and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to the UNRWA's statistics till February 2015.
- At least 27933 Palestinian Syrian refugees have reached Europe during the last 4 years.



- The number of Palestinian detainees who were documented by the AGPS has reached 869 detainees, and 391 victims were killed due to torture in the Syrian prisons.
- The Yarmouk Camp: - Siege, imposed by the Regular Army and PFGC, continued for 694 days respectively. In addition, power cuts continued for more than 764 days, water was cut for 254 days respectively. The number of victims due to the siege has reached to 177 victims.
- 80,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees escaped from Syria to the neighboring towns, including 10,687 refugees in Jordan, 51,300 in Lebanon and 6,000 refugees in Egypt, according to UNRWA statistics till February 2015.
- Al Husayneyya Camp: - Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 575 days respectively.
- Al Sbeina Camp: - Regular Army is still preventing the residents of the camp to return back to their houses for 555 days respectively.
- Handarat Camp: - Residents have left the camp for 758 days after the Syrian Opposition Groups controlled it.
- Dara'a Camp: - It is now almost 401 days without water and 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.