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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Bombardments abandon the Palestinian families from the eastern Ghouta"

- Palestinian refugee dies while fighting in the Qadam neighborhood in Damascus
- ISIS publishes pictures of the beheading of a Palestinian who fought alongside the Syrian regime forces
- Syrian security forcibly hides Doctor "Hayel Hamid" for the sixth year
- Kuwait supports UNRWA with 2 million American dollars

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Victims

Palestinian refugee “Mohammed Adel Abd Al-Hafez Al-Madany,” from the Jaramana refugee camp, died the day before yesterday while fighting alongside the Syrian regime forces in the Qadam neighborhood in Damascus.

Al-Qadam neighborhood in Damascus witnessed violent clashes over the past few days, between the Syrian regime forces and its loyal Palestinian factions, and the members of ISIS, leading to a large number of victims and casualties on both sides.



Latest Developments

A number of Palestinian refugee families have been forcibly displaced from the eastern Ghouta area in the suburbs of Damascus, to the north of Syria, because of the unprecedented shelling and brutality. The civilian neighborhoods of Al-Ghouta were bombarded with rockets and explosive barrels, resulting in hundreds of casualties and injuries.

This comes amid an extreme siege imposed by the Syrian regime on the Ghouta neighborhoods since 2013, which has aggravated the



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tragedy, especially on the medical side where most of the hospitals and medical centers are suffering of a lack of most of the basic medical supplies.



Approximately 250 Palestinian-Syrian families are living in the towns of Ghouta, in addition to thousands of Syrian families. The Palestinian families are dispersed across the towns of; Duma, Zamalka, Hezzeh and Homoreyya, and several other towns that have not been spared from the heavy shelling.

In south Damascus, ISIS published pictures on its social media pages, belonging to “Nedal Darwish,” whom ISIS announced to have died a few days ago. According to the pictures published, “Nedal Darwish” was beheaded with a knife, after his capture while ISIS attacked groups of the Syrian regime that were present in the Qadam neighborhood, close to Yarmouk camp.

This is not the first time that ISIS has beheaded or executed Palestinian refugees. Over the past few days, ISIS has executed many Palestinian refugees under different pretext and accusations, including apostasy and communication with the Syrian opposition factions.



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AGPS has yet to confirm the validity of these pictures from other sources.

In the meantime, the Syrian security forces continue to detain Doctor “Hayel Hamid” for the sixth year, after he was kidnapped on 13/8/2012 from his clinic in Yarmouk Street, in Yarmouk camp, south of Damascus, for the treatment and assistance of the wounded.

Since then, his location and fate remain unknown. Doctor “Hayel Hamid” was born in the Palestinian village of Dallata, in 1948. He was a professor at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Damascus, and served as Head of the General Surgery Department at Al Asad Hospital.

The staff and medical institutions in Yarmouk camp, was and is still being exposed to serious violations by the Syrian army and security, during the bombardment of hospitals and the targeting of ambulances at times, as well as arresting the medical staff at other times. Dozens of paramedics, nurses and medical specialists have died as a result of these violations.

In another context, the Kuwaiti Ambassador to Jordan, “Doctor Hamd Al-Duaij” provided UNRWA with a donation of 2 million American dollars, as part of Kuwait's annual contribution to support the Agency.

"KUNA" news agency reported the Kuwaiti Ambassador's confirmation of the keenness of the Kuwaiti leadership to support the Palestinians through various official and popular bodies.



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The Ambassador also indicated that, “This voluntary contribution of Kuwait has been continuous for years, to support the activities and programs of UNRWA, in the human development and relief of the Palestinian refugees in the region, and to alleviate their humanitarian suffering.”

This comes in the midst of a severe financial crisis suffered by UNRWA, after the United States reduced its annual support provided to the Agency, which has negatively affected the Palestinian refugees’ lives in the countries of asylum.



Palestinians of Syria: March 23, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3685, including 467 women
- 1673 Palestinians are locked up behind Syrian government’s bars, 106 of which are women
- Yarmouk refugee camp is under the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine’s siege for 1,709 days in a row
- 206 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition



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- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1445 days, and 185 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 540 days. More than 80% of its buildings have been completely or partially destroyed.
- 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