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"Palestinian Family Secretly Held in Syrian Jail for over 6 Years"

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Latest Developments

Ten members of a Palestinian refugee family, including two children, have been mysteriously held in Syrian jails since June 16, 2013.

AGPS identified the family members as: Mahira Mahmoud Amayri (born in 1964), Hadeel Mahmoud Amayri (born in 1987), Aseel Mahmoud Amayri (born in 1988), Widad Mahmoud Amayri (born in 1990), Razan Mahmoud Amayri (born in 2000), Suheer Mahmoud Amayri (born in 1981), and Maysaa Jamal Idris (born in 1979).



The list also includes Firas Waleed Dasouki (born in 1978) and his children Hamza Firas Dasouki (born in 2011) and Hala Firas Dasouki (born in 2012).

The family members, residents of Yarmouk Camp, south of Damascus, were all kidnapped by the Syrian army squads at a checkpoint in Nisreen Street, in ALTadhamun neighborhood.

AGPS kept record of the incarceration of 1,736 Palestinian refugees in Syrian state dungeons, among them 107 women and girls.



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AGPS continues to call on the Syrian authorities to disclose the fate of hundreds of Palestinian refugees secretly held behind prison bars. AGPS believes that their enforced disappearance amounts to a crime against humanity.

Meanwhile, dozens of displaced Palestinian refugees took to the street in Deir Ballout Camp north of Syria, protesting the statements made by the U.S. President Donald Trump, in which he said that it is time for US to recognize Israel's Sovereignty over the Golan Heights.



Civilians displaced from the Golan Heights and taking shelter in the nearby AlMuhammadiya refugee camp also joined the protests.

Deir Ballout Camp has been set up next to the AFAD-founded AlMuhammadiya Camp. Both camps are home to 1,100 poorly-equipped tents sheltering hundreds of displaced families.

President Donald Trump on Thursday overturned longstanding US policy regarding the Israeli-occupied Golan Heights, announcing "it is time" for the US to "fully recognize Israel's Sovereignty" over the region.



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"After 52 years it is time for the United States to fully recognize Israel's Sovereignty over the Golan Heights, which is of critical strategic and security importance to the State of Israel and Regional Stability," Trump tweeted.

The announcement hands Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu a significant foreign policy victory, less than three weeks before Israelis head to the polls to decide whether he should remain in power. The move comes just days before Netanyahu is set to join Trump at the White House and follows weeks during which Netanyahu has renewed his push for the US to recognize the Golan Heights as part of Israel.

Israel captured the Golan Heights from Syria during the Six-Day War of 1967 and formally annexed the territory in 1981. But that annexation has not been recognized by the international community, which has regarded the Golan Heights as occupied territory and Israeli settlements there as illegal under international law. The UN special envoy for Syria, Geir Pedersen, recently reiterated that position.

"The Security Council is very clear that the Golan is Syrian territory, and the first aspect of (Resolution) 2254 is of course the territorial integrity of Syria," he said in a news briefing in late February.

In another development, Palestinian refugee from Syria Abdul Salam Halawa is taking part in the 2019 AFC Asian Cup as a referee. He is going to oversee a match between a Cambodian club



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and another from Myanmar. The competition was launched a few days earlier in the capital city of Cambodia Phnom Penh.

Sometime earlier, Palestinian resident of Jaramana Camp, in Rif Dimashq, Abdul Salam Halawa received the international badge for Palestine following cooperation between the Syrian and Palestinian sports federations.

In the meantime, a ceremony was held by the Palestinian Scouts Club in Homs to celebrate the Brotherhood Day.

Palestinian scouts Abdullah Mohamed Kheir AlKhatib, Nafed Tawfiq AlSafadi, Salim Abdul Rahman Yasin, Bushra Khaled Sarhan, Farid Nadhim Darwish, and Ahmed Khalil Gharib, were honored during event.

