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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



### "Residents of Deraa Camp Call for Release of Palestinian Prisoners from Syrian Prisons"

- 2 Palestinian Girls Achieve Outstanding Academic Results in Syria
- Palestinian Brothers Omar and Muntassar Ghunayem Forcibly Disappeared by Syrian Gov't for 8th Year
- Medical Kit Distributed to Palestinian Families in Turkey

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## Latest Developments

Dozens of Palestinian refugees joined a vigil held in Deraa on Friday, September 25, to push for the release of Palestinian and Syrian victims of enforced disappearance in Syria.

Protesters lifted banners and chanted slogans demanding that the Syrian regime release all prisoners and disclose the condition and whereabouts of victims of enforced disappearance and secret incarceration.

As the novel coronavirus COVID-19 continues to grip the Middle East and the world, AGPS urges the Syrian government to free all Palestinians and Syrians held behind prison bars.

AGPS is deeply concerned over an unabated outbreak of coronavirus in Syrian prisons, at a time when the deadly virus continues to claim the lives of thousands of people across the globe.

There are growing fears that a large outbreak in prisons and Palestinian refugee camps in Syria could be particularly catastrophic.

AGPS fears the coronavirus could spread quickly in jails and in overcrowded displacement camps, where neither hygiene kit nor medical equipment are accessible.

AGPS calls on the Syrian government to immediately release Palestinian detainees and provide those who test positive for COVID-19 with the necessary medical treatment.



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The Syrian authorities and all concerned parties should also take precautionary measures and enhance captivity conditions to rein in a tragic propagation of the virus in jail.

In another development, Palestinian girls Jana Ali Yousef, from Harasta, and Israa Mohamed AlRefai, from Yarmouk Camp, were honored by the Syrian Presidency after they got full marks (3100/3100) as part of their 9<sup>th</sup> grade exams.

Dozens of displaced Palestinian refugees have achieved success stories, despite of the traumatic upshots wrought by daily scenes of bloodshed and destruction across the embattled Syrian territories. Thousands of children have gone orphaned after they lost one or both of their parents in the deadly warfare.

The conflict in Syria has had traumatic fallouts on Palestinian refugee children in and outside of Syria. Post-traumatic stress disorders, mental psychosis, sleeplessness and nightmares, eating disorders, and intense fear have all been reported among Palestinian children from Syria.

In the meantime, Palestinian brothers Omar and Muntassar Ahmed Ghunayem, residents of Yarmouk camp, have been enduring mysterious fates in Syrian government prisons since 2013.

Omar, born in 1995, was arrested at a government checkpoint at the main entrance to Yarmouk. Montassar, born in 1990, was arrested at a Dummar checkpoint, in Damascus.



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Their condition and whereabouts could not be identified.

AGPS documented the secret detention of 1,797 Palestinian refugees in Syria's state-run prisons, among them 108 women.

Along similar lines, FIDAR Association distributed hygiene kit to some 50 displaced families in Ankara.

Recently, Palestinian refugees from Syria in Turkey have expressed concerns over their deteriorating condition particularly in light of the new movement clampdown imposed across Turkish provinces as part of anti-coronavirus measures.

A large number of companies, factories, and shops shut their doors for fear of further COVID-19 contaminations. Several Palestinian families have lost their sole sources of income as a result.

Palestinian refugees continue to urge the concerned parties to work on toning down their calamitous state of affairs in light of the socio-economic crisis and health setback wrought by the global coronavirus epidemic.