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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Refugee Child Drowns in Syria"

- Palestinian Refugee Arrested by Syrian Security Forces
- Bodies of Liwaa AlQuds Gunmen Removed from Aleppo Debris
- 96 Migrants Rescued, Others Missing off Turkish Coast
- China Provides Relief Supplies to Palestine Refugee Agency

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Latest developments

Palestinian girl Hiba Khaled Ibrahim, aged 14, drowned on Friday, August 28, in an irrigation canal pouring into the Fourat River, in Tel Arn village, in the northern Syrian province of Aleppo.

Hundreds of Palestinian and Syrian families who have been forcibly deported to northern Syria have been grappling with an abject humanitarian situation as most of them have been taking cover in underequipped tents and denied access to vital facilities and services. Children's life has also been marred by the absence of leisure facilities.

In another development, Syrian security forces arrested a Palestinian refugee on August 26, on his way back from his workplace.

The 28-year-old refugee, a resident of Yarmouk Camp, suffers health disorders. The reasons for his abduction along with his whereabouts could not be identified. AGPS has kept his name secret over security concerns.

Meanwhile, sources close to Liwaa AlQuds armed group, affiliated with the Syrian regime, said military commander Mohamed AlSai'd gave orders for the removal of dead bodies from the debris of AlZahra neighborhood, in Aleppo, four years after they were pronounced dead.

The gunmen died in an explosion that targeted the brigade on May 3, 2016. The list of casualties includes Palestinian refugees



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Mohamed Ridha Samara, from AlNeirab camp, and Ibrahim Ahmed Ali, from Handarat camp.

The Syrian government forces continue to drag Palestinian refugees into mandatory military conscription, forcing dozens to become internally displaced and dozens more to seek refuge in other countries.

Shortly after the outburst of the deadly warfare, the Syrian government forced Palestinian refugees aged 18 and above to join affiliated militias for periods of at least one year and a half.

Those who refuse conscription are subjected to crackdowns, abductions and even executions. As a result, thousands fled the tension-stricken country in the hunt for a safer shelter.

In the meantime, Greece's coast guard is continuing a search and rescue operation after a yacht smuggling migrants partially sank in the eastern Aegean Sea.

96 people were rescued from the vessel, which was found west of the small island of Halki, near Rhodes.

The total number of those people on board was not immediately known.

Among the survivors, Greek authorities say they have identified three suspected smugglers, who have been arrested.

Many of those who were rescued, including children, had not been wearing life jackets.



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The authorities were initially alerted to the sinking vessel when a passenger on board made an emergency call late on Tuesday.

"Four coastguard patrol boats, a rescue boat, a naval vessel, five cargo ships sailing in the area and an air force helicopter took part in the operation", according to a statement from the Ministry of the Merchant Navy.

Of those rescued, 72 were transported to Rhodes, five to the island of Karpathos, and 19 were picked up from a cargo ship by the Turkish coast guard.

The migrants to Greek islands were being given coronavirus tests and were being housed in quarantine hotels.

Along similar lines, the Government of the People's Republic of China made a vital contribution of personal protective equipment including surgical masks, protective face masks, sterilized surgical gloves, medical eye covers, medical protective smocks and face shields to assist Palestine refugees through the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).

The donation will enable UNRWA to better safeguard Palestine refugees from COVID-19 in the Gaza Strip, the West Bank, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria with industry standard safety equipment.

The donation was made possible by China's International Development Cooperation Agency (CIDCA) and directly supports the Agency's efforts to address the increasing health needs of



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Palestine refugees due to the COVID-19 pandemic and ensures the safe continuity of UNRWA health services to the more than 5.6 million Palestine refugees.

The contribution from the Government of China sends a clear message of solidarity to Palestine refugees, who have been made increasingly vulnerable by the pandemic and conflict, said UNRWA in a statement.

Expressing his appreciation for this significant donation, UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini said: “This contribution from the People’s Republic of China provides a crucial layer of protection for Palestine refugees, who are fighting the spread of this pandemic within increased hardship across the region.”

In referencing their support to the UNRWA, Head of the Office of the People’s Republic of China to the State of Palestine, Ambassador Guo Wei, said, “China will continue to firmly support the just cause of Palestine, support the work of UNRWA. China calls on the international community to provide more support and assistance to Palestine refugees through UNRWA.”

The People’s Republic of China is a long-standing donor for UNRWA. In addition to the subject in-kind contribution, China has already pledged US\$ 1 million to the support the delivery of emergency food assistance to nearly one million abject and absolute poor Palestine refugees in Gaza.