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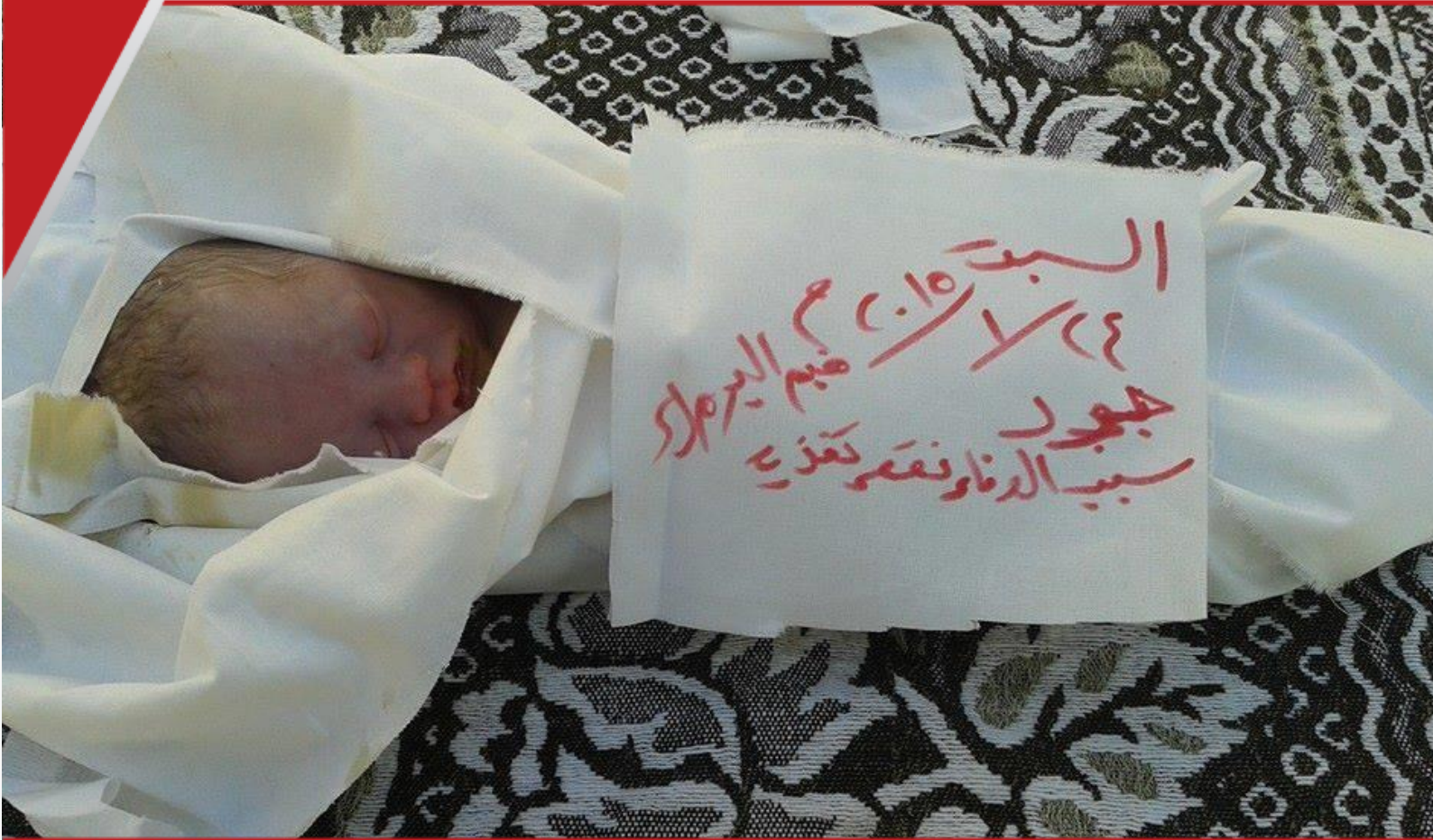
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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"AGPS: Over 250 Palestinian Children Killed in War-Torn Syria"

- Tension Running High in AlMuzeireeb's Palestinian Refugee Community following Reports of 2 Assassination Attempts
- Fires Break Out at Palestinian Refugee's Homes in Hama Camp
- Japan Contributes over US\$ 22.4 Million for Palestine Refugees
- Turkey Dispatches Humanitarian Convoy to Idlib

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Latest Developments

AGPS has kept record of the death of 250 Palestinian refugee children in war-torn Syria since the outbreak of the deadly conflict in 2011 until February 2020.

The data pointed out that 128 children died under shelling; 15 were fatally shot by snipers; 11 were gunned down; two children were tortured to death; 22 drowned at sea; 25 others were killed in car blasts; and 34 died due to the blockade and medical neglect.

Another 12 children died of other causes, including burns, suffocation, run-over accidents, and abduction.

Children make up nearly 7% of the overall death toll among the Palestinians of Syria, estimated at 4,027.



Sworn affidavits by ex-detainees confirmed the presence of toddlers swung in their moms' arms in Syrian prisons and whose fates have remained shrouded in mystery.

Thousands of children have gone orphaned after they lost one or both of their parents in the deadly warfare.



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

AGPS renews its calls to the international community, human rights institutions, UNICEF, UNRWA, and all concerned bodies to work on protecting Palestinian children in embattled zones.

In another development, a fresh assassination attempt has been carried out in AlMuzeireeb town, south of Syria, where dozens of Palestinian families have sought shelter.

According to local sources, unidentified assailants opened fire at Samir Aref Khalaf AlMesri, nicknamed Samir AlWarda, and Kasem Mohamed Abdul Karim AlSubeihi, nicknamed AlJam. The two targeted man are members of the Fourth Division security branch.



Palestinians taking shelter in AlMuzeireeb town continue to express deep concern over the security situation in the area as reports have increasingly emerged on new assassination attempts targeting Palestinian refugees.



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AGPS documented the death of dozens of Palestinian refugees in AlMuzeireeb town, home to 1,700 Palestinian families and hundreds of other families displaced from Daraa refugee camp.

Meanwhile, fires broke out at the home of Palestinian refugee Ahmad Fanous, located in the western zone of AlAyedeen camp in Hama.

The fires caused severe material damage. No injuries were reported. UNRWA's field security and risk management staff rushed to the area to put out the fires.

An AGPS reporter said fires broke out sometime earlier in the area at midnight on Wednesday due to the mounds of plastic trash and copper waste piled up in the area. The fire was extinguished by UNRWA personnel.



Palestinians taking shelter in AlYedeen Camp in Hama have been facing a deteriorating humanitarian situation as a result of the price leap, absence of stable financial resources, the sharp shortage in fuel supplies, frequent power blackouts, and absence of humanitarian assistance.



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High rates of unemployment, the security turmoil rocking the region, and the arbitrary arrest sweeps launched by the Syrian security forces have made the situation far worse.

Meanwhile, the Government of Japan signed a contribution agreement for the amount of US\$ 22.4 million with the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).

According to a statement by UNRWA, the event took place earlier this week in East Jerusalem in the presence of Masayuki Magoshi, Representative of Japan to Palestine, and Christian Saunders, Acting UNRWA Commissioner-General.

This important contribution will provide vital funding for UNRWA service delivery to Palestine refugees in Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Gaza and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem.



Of the total donation, more than US\$ 4.2 million will support UNRWA in Syria for 2020, and US\$ 7.6 million are allocated to the Agency's Emergency Response for Humanitarian Assistance in 2020 in Gaza.



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Furthermore, US\$ 2.8 million will be allocated to support Palestine refugee families by creating more than 2,000 temporary job opportunities in Gaza as part of the Emergency Appeal for the Occupied Palestinian Territory. Additional funds are allocated towards the delivery of health services in Syria and Lebanon and basic education services in Lebanon and Jordan, including technical and educational vocational training (TVET).

“I am glad that this contribution supports UNRWA’s important activities in all five areas of its operations. This contribution demonstrates Japan’s strong commitment to support UNRWA and its essential operations to assist Palestine refugees,” Masayuki Magoshi, Representative of Japan to Palestine, said.

Acting Commissioner-General of UNRWA, Christian Saunders, said: “The Government of Japan’s support to UNRWA is extremely timely and generous. It’s this kind of support that is particularly useful to the Agency as it allows UNRWA to advance in several very critical areas including health, education, our emergency humanitarian response program and sustainable development.”

The Government of Japan is a long-standing partner to UNRWA, with a partnership dating back to 1953. In 2019, the Government of Japan was the 8th largest contributor to UNRWA, playing a critical role for the Agency’s financial stability. Thanks to donors like Japan, UNRWA continues to provide quality education, basic health care, protection and social services to Palestine refugees in its five fields of operation toward a human development goal of zero poverty by 2030, in line with the United Nations Decade of Action.



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UNRWA is a United Nations agency established by the General Assembly in 1949 and mandated to provide assistance and protection to some 5.6 million Palestine refugees registered with UNRWA across its five fields of operation. Its mission is to help Palestine refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, West Bank, including East Jerusalem and the Gaza Strip achieve their full human development potential, pending a just and lasting solution to their plight.

Along similar lines, Sham AlKher charity in Turkey dispatched last Tuesday charcoal-laden trucks to the northern Syrian province of Idlib in an attempt to distribute the supplies to displaced families, including Palestinian refugees, taking shelter in the area.

The charity's media chief Abdul Rahman Sakaf said 25 tanker trucks entered on Tuesday, February 25, the Syrian borders through Bab AlHawa crossing point. The trucks are loaded with nearly 625 tons of charcoal donated by Palestinians in territories occupied since 1948 (present-day Israel) to displaced Palestinians in Idlib.



The donations will be distributed by the Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency of Turkey (AFAD) in cooperation with the Turkish Red Crescent, Sham AlKher, AlBashaer Association, and Violet Association.