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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



**"On the eve of Land Day, Palestinian activists launch the "Together for Yarmouk on March 30th"**

- UNRWA announces the reduction of medical services, including the Palestinian-Syrians in Lebanon
- Syrian security forcibly hides "Obaida Alyan" for the fourth year
- A boat carrying migrants goes missing between Turkey and Greece and warnings of crossing the Evros river
- Relief aid distributed to the displaced from Yarmouk camp in south Damascus

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## Latest Developments

Palestinian activists have launched a campaign titled, “Together for Yarmouk on March 30th,” to draw attention to the besieged Yarmouk camp, and to shed light in the media, on the suffering of its population, which has continued since 2012, as well as the total siege imposed on it by the Syrian regime forces and its affiliated Palestinian factions, since 2013, which prevented the entry of food supplies, medicine and medical supplies in to the camp, in addition to the water and electricity cuts in all of its lanes and alleys. More than 200 refugees have lost their lives as a result of the siege and the violations practiced by ISIS against civilians, since it took control of the camp in early April 2015.



On their part, the activists who organized the campaign wrote that silence is the real crime against humanity, because our issue is that infants are in need of milk, patients require medicine, students need seats to study, and houses need bread, and because nobody will stand with us if we do not stand with ourselves.



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The activists also called on the besieged Palestinian-Syrian refugees inside the camp and the displaced to the towns of Yelda, Babilla and Beit Sahm, to gather on the 30th of March, to mark Land Day in front of the Orouba crossing, to demand the opening of the (Yelda-Yarmouk) checkpoint in a secure and durable manner for civilians, and to create a real awareness of the presence of civilians in Yarmouk camp, and to know their situation to resolve their issues.

On his part, Doctor Moawya Mohammed, Founder of the campaign, told Al-Horreya Press that: “The issue of Yarmouk camp is not getting its right in media coverage, especially with the ongoing events in Ghouta and the Palestinian factions’ apparent and actual unconcern with the residents of the camp. Based on these facts, it was necessary to take advantage of time and seize the opportunity of the Land Day, to remind us of the fundamental issue of human rights. Especially as we do not want solidarity after the disaster.”

The campaign was launched on the 22nd of March, through publications of solidarity with Yarmouk camp on Facebook, under the hashtag #Together\_Yarmouk\_On\_30March. Many Palestinian activists, jurists and media personnel from all over the world interacted with the hashtag.

In the meantime, UNRWA announced in a statement it published on the 29th of March, that it will have to be forced to stop converting births, "Pregnancies that are not accompanied with pregnancy risks".

UNRWA added that it would discontinue servicing the special hardship fund program, which was supposed to secure support for



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Palestinian refugees registered in the Social Security Network program and the Palestinian refugees from Syria and registered in Lebanon, by covering the cost of patients with second-level hospitalization in government and private hospitals.



توضيح حول تغطية بعض الخدمات الصحية

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1- منذ العام 2011 وحتى أيار 2018، كانت الأوروغواي تغطي 445 الف لاجئ، بما فيها المصعوبة وغير المصعوبة بمعايير العمل في المستشفيات المتعاونة بخلاف الدعم المقدم من الهلال الأحمر القطري ومنظمة اليونسيف، إلا أن خدمة التمويل وخدمات الإسكان "غير المصعوبة بمعايير العمل" لا تتاح لعددًا من بداية الأوروغواي المتعاونة واللاجئين، أو أكثر الجيوب، والحالة التي يتألفها مع عدد كبير من الجهات العاملة لإيجاد التمويل الكافي للتمويل المستمر لخدمة هذه الفئة من 2018. تتطلب الأوروغواي مبررات إضافية من نهاية أيار 2018 في تغطية تمويل وخدمات "حالات العمل غير المصعوبة بمعايير العمل"

2- في العام 2017، وكما هو مكتوب لتغطية الإسكانية الممتدة كانت الأوروغواي تغطي قرابة 40 الف لاجئ، بما في ذلك خدمة الإسكان ضمن برنامج صندوق حالات العمل الجديد، لتغطي الدعم المقدم لاجئين فلسطين المصعوبين في برنامج شبكة الأمان الاجتماعي، والتي تضمنت الفرحين من سوريا والسفلى في لبنان. غير أن تغطية كافة الفئات على حدة لم تكن كافية لتغطية احتياجات اللاجئين في المستشفيات المتعاونة والمتعاونة والخدمة والخدمة 100. إضافة من جهة المراقبة والإشراف، كانت الأوروغواي تركز التمويل لهذه الخدمة من خارج مبررات برنامج الخدمة من الجهات العاملة المستوفى المعايير. غير أن التمويل والمساعدات لهذا التمويل للعام 2018 غير كافية لتغطية جميع الخدمات المدروسة منتهية بشأن تغطية الأوروغواي بصفة إضافية لاجئين وتم دعم هذه الخدمة بحلول نهاية أيار 2018.

إن الأوروغواي تؤكد التزامها بدعم لاجئين فلسطين وتواصل جهودها لجمع التمويل وتمتد إلى الجهات المتعاونة لإيجاد حلول إضافية لهم.

UNRWA noted in its statement, that despite its intensive and persistent efforts with a large number of donors, to find sufficient funds to guarantee the continuation of its services after March 2018, however it did not succeed in encouraging the countries to donate and cover these services, in order to continue.

To conclude its statement, UNRWA confirmed that it will committed to support the Palestinian refugees and will continue its efforts to gather funds and encourage all the donors to increase their contributions for their benefit.

The latest decision issued by the American Administration, which ordered the freezing of \$125 million of its contribution to UNRWA's budget, posed a flagrant threat on all the services offered by UNRWA to the Palestinian refugees in the diaspora countries, especially the Palestinian-Syrians.



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In another context, the Syrian security services continue to detain, 24-year-old Palestinian refugee, “Obaida Alyan” and hide their fate, following his arrest at one of the Syrian regime’s checkpoints in the Zahera area in Damascus, on 31-03-2014.



Alyan lived during the siege of the Syrian army on Yarmouk camp, south of the capital, and he is a member of the Islamic Jihad Movement in Palestine.

AGPS receives a number of messages and information about the detained Palestinians. They are then documented despite the difficulty of recording information because the Syrian regime continues to hide the fate, names and locations of the detainees. The Group has recorded the detention of 1673 Palestinian refugees in the Syrian regime prisons.

In the meantime, rights activists on immigration and migrants’ issues, said that a boat carrying 20 illegal immigrants went missing last night, while they were crossing the Evros river, on the Turkish-Greek borders. The activists indicated that the Turkish rescue teams are still looking for the boat.

In the same context, activists warned of crossing the Evros river, because Bulgaria opens the water of the dam on the Evros river at this time every year, to allow the flow of the water from melting snow.



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Activists pointed out that the level of the river has increased to 4 meters and its speed is fast, and the frequent high currents at great depths, noting that Turkey is taking precautionary measures, because the level of the river may sink the bridge that carries the train line on both sides of Greece and Turkey.

Thousands of of illegal immigrants are constantly crossing the Evros river to reach Greece. The number of Palestinian-Syrian refugees stranded in Greece until the end of 2016, is estimated at 400 refugees, most of which are on the following islands: Chios, Lesbos - Mytelini, Leros and Kos.

### **Local Work Committees:**

Jafra Foundation for Relief and Development distributed relief aid (food baskets) and in-kind assistance (brushes and sleep blankets) to the families displaced from Yarmouk camp to the neighboring towns of Yelda, Babilla and Beit Sahm, in south Damascus. The families were forced to leave their homes after ISIS took control over the camp in early April 2015, and fled recently to the south as a result of the violent bombardments that targeted their camp, in addition to the ongoing fighting between ISIS and Hayat Tahrir Al-Sham, and ISIS and the Syrian regime forces and its affiliated Palestinian factions.

The Palestinian refugees from Yarmouk camp and those in the camp and its neighboring towns are suffering from extremely harsh living



conditions, because of the continued reflection of the manifestations of the war in Syria.

### **Palestinians of Syria: March 29, 2018 Statistics:**

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3686, 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 1,714 days in a row
- 206 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1451 days, and 191 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 546 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