

AGPS Press Statement about UN's Decision of Removing the Yarmouk Camp from the List of Besieged Areas

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Victims until today

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The AGPS confirms that the strict siege imposed on the Yarmouk residents is still continuous and there has been no change.

Residents of the camp are still prevented from entering or leaving the camp due to the prevention of the Regular Syrian Army and PFGC checkpoints of any refugees from passing through.

Meanwhile, any relief agencies either international such as UNRWA or local bodies are not able deliver aid to the trapped people inside Yarmouk.

The AGPS confirmed the news published by the humanitarian news "IRIN" about the decision of the United Nations Coordination Office of Humanitarian Affairs, regarding reducing the number of trapped civilians in Syria from 440,000 to 422,000, which means removing about 18,000 residents of the Yarmouk refugee camp from the list of relief assistance.

The wrong decision, which is contrary to the definition of the besieged areas in the international norms, laws, and treaties, also exacerbates the suffering of thousands of trapped refugees inside the Yarmouk camp.

In addition, the AGPS confirmed that it documented 177 Palestinian victims who died because of the strict siege imposed on the Yarmouk camp for (758) days. Meanwhile, it is now (828) days without electricity, and (318) days without drinking water, in addition to the suspension of all hospitals and clinics work inside the camp.

The AGPS called the UN, represented by its Secretary General Ban Ki-moon to reconsider their last decision, and work seriously to lift the siege on the camp instead of depriving the besieged people of their basic rights.

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