

Number of Syrian Refugees Reaches 2 Million

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The Syrian Coalition urges world humanitarian and relief organizations to provide relief support to the Syrian people who are in need inside and outside of Syria. It also urges the international community to carry out its responsibilities towards the Syrian people who face extremely difficult circumstances as they endure the use of weapons of mass destruction against them, including recently used chemical weapons.

According to the latest figures of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), the number of registered Syrian refugees has reached 2 million. This surge in the numbers of Syrians affected by the regime could only demonstrate the threat Assad constitutes to pose for the future of the Syrian people and others in the region.

The Syrian Coalition appreciates the efforts of the United Nations and its affiliated organizations and expresses its gratitude to neighboring host countries for their efforts to aid Syrian refugees. The Coalition also calls on the UN to increase its support for neighboring host countries to enable them to better cope with the mounting pressure due to continuously rising numbers of refugees.

Around 110,00 people been killed; almost 7 million are displaced, and nearly 3 million are now refugees, including unofficial refugees who are not registered. This comprises half of the Syrian population; all of them victims of Assad's state terrorism. The world should not turn its back on them. It is vital to remember that stopping Assad's killing machine that has claimed and continues to claim thousands of lives is the first step to ending the suffering of the Syrian people.

We ask for Mercy for our martyrs, health for our wounded and freedom for our detainees.

Long live Syria and its people, free and with honor.