

Palestinians

COMMON ANALYSIS

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At the time of writing, the transitional period in Syria is still ongoing. The socio-economic conditions in Syria did not improve [[Country Focus 2024](#), 2.2]. In addition, no available information substantiates an improvement of the capacity of UNRWA to provide assistance to Palestinians. Finally, deadly attacks on civilians were recorded in Yarmouk camp in Damascus [[Country Focus 2025](#), 4.1.1].

Therefore, the conclusion on the international protection needs of [Palestinians](#) in '[EUAA, Country Guidance: Syria, April 2024](#)' would still be valid:

‘UNRWA protection or assistance is not available to Palestinian refugees in Syria at a level which would guarantee that the ‘living conditions in that area will be commensurate with the mission entrusted to that agency’ (...) it is found that the protection or assistance from UNRWA in all of Syria can be considered to have ceased in the meaning of Article 12(1)(a) QD/QR. Therefore, **Palestinians who had previously availed themselves of the protection or assistance of UNRWA in Syria are to be granted *ipso facto* refugee status.**

For Palestinians who have not availed themselves of UNRWA protection or assistance in Syria, the assessment should proceed with risk analysis and analysis of nexus to a reason for persecution.’