



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 2 February 2012

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats in the occupied Palestinian territory, the confiscation and razing of lands, the uprooting and destruction of fruit trees, the expansion of settlements and erection of outposts, the brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army, the Israeli settlers violence against Palestinian civilians and properties, the erection of checkpoints, the construction of the Israeli segregation wall and the issuance of military orders for the various Israeli purposes.

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and/or news sources.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided a number of towns and neighborhoods in Hebron city, conducted military and search operations among Palestinian houses. The Israeli troops stormed Yatta town south of the city and searched a number of houses, of which, the the house of Rateb Hassan Moughnim was known. The IOA also raided Beit Ummar town, searched the house of Khalaf Rushdi Awad and messed with its contents. Furthermore, the IOA raided Al Shuyukh town and set up a military checkpoint at its western entrance,

"Arsh Al Hawa area" and obstructed the vehicular and pedestrian movements.

- The Israeli tanks stationed at the northern part of the Gaza strip in Beit Hanoun town, shelled at group of Palestinian citizens, no injuries were reported.
- Israeli occupation authorities opened the Kerem Shalom crossing to allow 20 cars and 270 truckloads of commercial and agricultural goods into the Gaza Strip.

Confiscation & Razing of Lands

- A Member of the monitoring committee of Al 'Isawiya city; Mohmad Abu Al-Hems, warned about an Israeli plan to plant trees in 100 dunums of lands of the city, under the pretext that the lands area confiscated. The targeted lands are located in the area between the Gas station, at the entrance of Al 'Isawiya and the lands located under the French Hill down to the segregation wall in Shu'fat refugee camp.

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli Occupation Army handed out military orders to demolish 14 Palestinian houses in M'ala area east of Ad Dhahriya town south of Hebron city under the pretext of lacking building permits due to its location in area " c". it is worth to mention that some of the targeted houses are under construction; of the owners; Fayez Sliman Khderat, 'Ezat Musallam Abu Sharkh and his brother Bajis, Hmad Sadeq Al-Tall and Saleh Majed Al-Tall.
- The Palestinian citizen Akram Al-Abasi was forced to demolish his own Aluminum shop in WadI Hilwa neighborhood in Silwan town. The owner indicated that he was notified by the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem to demolish the building because it is illegal and not licensed by himself otherwise the Israeli bulldozers would do so.

Israeli Military Orders

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities issued a military order to confiscate 44 dunums of lands known as " Al-Kbarat" located to the west of Nahalin village west of Bethlehem city. The targeted lands are planted with almonds and other fruitful trees. The military order stated to evacuate the lands and to remove and dismantle all what exists on them; this includes but not limited to trees, infrastructure installations, or anything else, under the pretext that the lands area classified "State Land."

Others

- The Israeli Education Minister Gideon Sa'ar informed the Knesset plenum that he planned to expand a pilot curriculum of student tours in the West Bank city of Hebron and the Tomb of the Patriarchs. The controversial "heritage tours" curriculum has until now been geared only toward students in the Jerusalem school district, but Sa'ar now wants to make it available to students across the country. He said **that the response to this these tours has so far been high, and has been carried out by choice by the interested schools." And a Jewish community has existed in Hebron for so many years, even when the people of Israel were all in exile. According to our faith, Jews will always live in Hebron. We must not allow this illusion to be created among Arabs that it will ever be possible to uproot Jews from Hebron."**
- Housing benefits will not be granted to some 70 West Bank settlements unless specifically approved by the Israeli defense minister, who has authority over West Bank construction; the cabinet decided. The decision amended a cabinet resolution approved on Sunday that granted various housing benefits to people living in national priority areas. Since about 70 settlements are located in national priority areas, the new decision was passed to exclude them. Sources in the Prime Minister's Office said the amendment was not included in Sunday's resolution because that resolution simply expanded a 2009 decision, and the latter already stated that granting housing and infrastructure benefits in the territories would require special approval from the relevant political officials. Former Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's government had promised the United States not to give economic incentives or other benefits to Israelis who move to the settlements.