Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt

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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.

Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli security Guard of Maskiyyot settlement near Jericho city detained and handcuffed 5 Palestinian shepherds as they attended to their animals in an area near the settlement.

- Three Palestinian citizens were injured as the Israeli Occupation Army suppressed the weekly demonstration against the wall and settlements
that took place in Al-Ma’sara village in Bethlehem city. The IOA prevented protesters from reaching the segregation wall area, beat and attacked them causing injuries to 3 Palestinian residents; Ra’fat Ala’ Al-Deen (24 years old), Mohanad Brieja (22 years old) and Zaid Zawahra (18 years old).

• The Israeli Occupation Army arrested Bassam Rihan (25 years old) from Jabalya refugee camp north of Gaza at Erez crossing en route to Israel for medical treatment

• Israeli Occupation Army arrested the Palestinian Council member Aziz Ad Dweik (65 years old) at military checkpoint in Ramallah city while on his way home in Hebron city; the IOA handcuffed him, blindfolded his eyes and detained him for 2 hours in the freezing cold weather, before arresting him and took him to unknown destination.

• The Israeli Occupation Army detained and arrested Jawad Siyam, director of Wadi Hilweh information center in Silwan town in Jerusalem city and 2 other employees; Ahmad Siam and Mahmoud Qaraeen.

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Rujeib village east of Nablus city and arrested Ahmad Sadek Dweikat (25 years old) and Fuad Dweikat (26 years old) and took them to Huwwara detention center near the village for security questioning.

• The Israeli Occupation Army suppressed the weekly peaceful demonstration against the wall and settlements that took place in An Nabi Salih village northwest of Ramallah city which marked the 40 days of the death of Mustafa Al-Tamimi. The IOA used tear gas bombs and rubber bullets.

• A number of Palestinian citizens along with International activists were injured as the Israeli Occupation Army suppressed the peaceful demonstration that took place in Kafr Qaddum village in Qalqilyah Governorate. The IOA used tear gas bombs and rubber bullets.

• The Israeli Occupation Army suppressed the weekly peaceful demonstration against the wall and settlements that took place in Bil’in village west of Ramallah city. Numbers of Palestinian citizens along with International activists were injured as the IOA used tear gas bombs and rubber bullets and sprayed dozens of activists by waste water mixed with chemicals.
• A number of Palestinians along with International activists were injured as the Israeli Occupation Army suppressed the peaceful demonstration that took place in Kafr Ad-Dik village west of Salfit city. The IOA used tear gas bombs and rubber bullets.

**Israeli settlers violence**

• Dozens of Israeli settlers of Gush Etzion settlement block south of Bethlehem city and under the protection of Israeli Occupation Army carried out provocative tours in Hai Al-Muntar area (Al- Muntar neighborhood) and Beit Z’aita. During the tour, clashes broke between Palestinians and Israeli Army, no injuries were reported. The IOA fired tear gas bombs and rubber bullets towards Beit Ummar residents and detained Ahmad Ibrahim Al-Alami at the entrance of the town.