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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.

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 (IOA) attacked Iyad Al Haddad near Kharsina settlement east of Hebron city and beat him. Mr. Al Haddad suffered from bruises in most of his body parts. Al Quds (May 18, 2012).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided a number of Palestinian houses in Tequ' village east of Bethlehem city under the pretext that some Palestinians hurled stones at Settlers' cars driving on the Israeli

- bypass road that passes through the lands of the village. No arrests were reported. PNN (May 18, 2012).
- Two Palestinians were injured with rubber bullets during clashes between the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinian citizens at Ofer military camp. PNN (May 18, 2012).
 - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed At Taybeh old checkpoint, near Kherbit Jubara, which is used by Palestinians of the 1948 lands to enter/leave Tulkarem and hindered Palestinians from returning back to their villages inside the 1948 Lands. Wafa (May 18, 2012).
 - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the weekly peaceful demonstration held in Al Ma'sara village south of Bethlehem city against wall and settlements and hindered Palestinian citizen from reaching the Village's main road and the confiscated lands. Wafa (May 18, 2012).
 - Three Palestinians, an International activist and tens of demonstrators suffered Gas inhalation as the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the weekly peaceful demonstration held in An Nabi Saleh village in Ramallah Governorate. The IOA fired rubber bullets and Gas bombs and wastewater against demonstrators. Among the injured Palestinians, Wa'ad Al Tamimi (15 years) and Waleed Al Tamimi (16 years) were known. The IOA also raided the village and randomly fired at Palestinian houses and properties which caused damages to the windows of Atallah Al Tamimi's house and lands were set to fire as a result. In addition, the IOA closed the village's entrance and declared the village as "closed military zone. Wafa (May 18, 2012).
 - One Palestinian was injured and many suffered Gas inhalation as the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the weekly peaceful demonstration held in Bil'in village against wall and settlements. The IOA fired Gas bombs and rubber bullets at demonstrators which caused the injury of Citizen Jameel Al Khateeb (21 years) in his leg. Wafa (May 18, 2012).
 - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the weekly peaceful demonstration held in Kafr Qaddum village east of Qalqilyah city against the closure of the village's main road. The IOA occupied the roof tops of some Palestinian houses, fired gas and sound Bombs at demonstrators which led to the injury of Palestine Satellite Channel reporter, Shamekh Al Jaghoub. Wafa (May 18, 2012).
 - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) obstructed the visit of a Pakistani Sport delegation to the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron old city. Wafa (May 18, 2012).

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the released Prisoner 'Aref Khaled Fakhouri from Jaba' village south of Jenin city, confiscated his computer device and two mobile phones without justification. The IOA questioned Mr. Fakhouri who spent 28 years in the Israeli jails along with his family members and stationed on the roof tops of the nearby Palestinian houses. It is worth mentioning that prisoner Fakhouri was released from the Israeli jails during the Shalit Prisoners swap deal. Al Quds (May 18, 2012).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Hani A Julani, a Palestinian with special needs, after raiding his family house. The IOA released Al Julani after detaining him for six hours. Al Quds (May 18, 2012).
- Israeli Special Forces arrested Ahmad Faysal Ma'ali (22 years) from Ad Duheisha refugee camp and took him to unknown destination. PNN (May 18, 2012).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Three Palestinian citizens from Azzun village east of Qalqilyah city. The arrestees are: Sameer Shbeita (14 years), Muhammad Saleem (14 years) and Omar Hussein (16 years) and took them to unknown destination. Wafa (May 18, 2012).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities renewed the administrative detention of Muhammad Karam Nassar Al Qadi (40 years) from Jenin city for four more months. It is worth mentioning that Mr. Al Qadi is a member of Jenin Municipality council. Wattan TV (May 18, 2012).

Israeli Settlers' Violence

- Around 40 Israeli settlers staged into Halhul town's park (Mar'iya) north of Hebron city. Al Quds (May 18, 2012)
- A group of Israeli settlers hurled stones at Palestinians in 'Yaqeen' area in Bani Na'im village east of Hebron city and assaulted them. Al Quds (May 18, 2012)
- About 1500 settlers entered Joseph's Tomb in Nablus, guarded by the Israeli military. The settlers performed prayers in the Tomb until the morning before withdrawing escorted by the army. A large force of the Israeli army was in the area extensively blocking roads between Ramallah and Nablus. IMEMC (May 18, 2012).
- Dozens of Jewish settlers invaded the courtyards of Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem, and performed "religious rituals" amid tight security by the Israeli police. The invading operation was accompanied by a Minister of the Israeli government, in addition to a TV crew which filmed the several corners of the mosque and its courtyards. The new invasion to the courtyards of Al Aqsa Mosque occurred after the announcement by Jewish groups of a programme of celebrations for the 45th anniversary

of the occupation of the two parts of the city of Jerusalem. IMEMC (May 18, 2012)

- Tens of Israeli settlers of Avnei Hefetz settlement practiced religious rituals on Shufa-Tulkarem road which resulted in the closure of the road and hindered Palestinian cars from driving on it. Wattan TV (May 18, 2012)

Expansion of settlement

- Israel has unveiled a project to expand the settlement of 'Ariel' in the northern West Bank in two phases at the expense of Palestinian lands in the Governorates of Qalqilyah and Tulkarem. This project, numbered '11134 / M-A ', will expand the settlement of Ariel in two phases. The first phase will be the building of 700 new housing units on land of Kafr Laqef village located between Azzun and Jinsafut villages in the governorate of Qalqilyah. The second phase of the expansion will be the building of 1400 new housing units on lands of Baqet Al Hatab, Izbat Abu Hammada and Kafr Aboush in Tulkarem Governorate. Al Quds (May 18, 2012).

Others

- The Israeli Prison Service (IPS) continues its violations against prisoners who participated in the open-ended hunger strike. The violations include depriving prisoners from using the "canteen" for one month. This decision targets about 1600 prisoners who participated in the hunger strike; in addition to that, the IPS decided to halt prisoners' visits for a month as well, where the International Red Cross Committee, which takes upon itself the task of arranging and organizing visits to Prisoners, was formally informed of the Israeli decision. Al Quds (May 18, 2012).
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detonated several hundred anti-tank landmines along the Israel-Jordan border. 700 landmines were destroyed in an agreement with Jordan. The total number of cleared landmines is 60,000 from the site in the Jordan Valley; another 14,000 have yet to be removed. Maannews (May 18, 2012).
- Israel plans to build a 10 kilometers wall along its eastern border with Jordan with a cost of NIS 10 Million. Wattan TV (May 18, 2012).