



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 9 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 arrested Faze' Sedqi Sawafta (40 years old) and Nader Mustafa Sawafta (36 years old) after storming their houses in Tubas. Furthermore, the IOA staged into Qabatiya town south of Jenin city and Beit Qudd and conducted search operations for more than 2 hours.
- Israeli Occupation Army arrested three Palestinian minors; two of them are 14 year-old age and the third is 15 years old from the old city

of Hebron after storming the old city and raiding several Palestinian houses along with firing gas and sound bombs. Also the IOA, stormed several towns in the Hebron area, including west of Idhna, south of Yatta and al-Samou and set up military checkpoints at their entrances.

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided Abu Dis town southeast of Jerusalem city, conducted military and search operations to a number of Palestinian houses, stores and coffee shops. Eyewitness indicated that the IOA checked in Palestinian students' ID cards studying in Al Quds University, and handed a number of them notifications to interview the Israeli Intelligence in Jabal Al Zaytoun (Al Zaytoun Mountain) military crossing.
- The Israeli soldiers arrested two Palestinians, Faze' Sedqi Mohamad Sawafta (41 years old) and Nader Mustafa Sawafta (37 years old) after storming their houses in Tubas.
- Israeli Occupation Army raided and vandalized the house of Palestinian detainee in Israeli jails, Khalil Wajeeh from Atil town north of Tulkarem. Khalil's father, Abd al-Rahman Wajeeh said a large military Army raided his house and fired sound grenades inside the house after surrounding it, forcing the family to stay outside in the freezing winter cold for almost three hours, during which the IOA destroyed the entire house contents.

Israeli Settlers Violence

- A number of Israeli settlers under the protection of Israeli Army raided Qaryut village south of Nablus city and marched towards the center of the village and planted trees in a piece of land under Israeli soldiers eyesight. The soldiers prevented villagers from accessing their lands which were seized by settlers.

Confiscation & Razing of Lands

- The Israeli Occupation Army announced its intention to confiscate 68 dunums of lands of Al Jab'a village southwest of Bethlehem city. The targeted lands are owned by Khalid Naji Mahmud Masha'la and are planted with 950 olive and almonds trees. Owner of the targeted lands

found a military order tossed in his land and states the evacuation of 68 dunums piece of land under the pretext that the land is classified as "State Land". Landowner was given 45 days from the date the order was issued to file objection at the Israeli court against the order.

- Israeli Occupation bulldozers along with the protection of Israeli Army, re-razed lands owned by Hassan Shtawi in Al-Dawali area north of Kafr Qaddum.

Israeli Military Orders

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities notified two Palestinian farmers in Khallet Ad Deeb area in Beit Ula town west of Hebron city with military orders stating the evacuation of their lands under the pretext of being classified by the Israelis as "State lands". The first order targeted the lands of (1) Abd Al Karim Khalid Al 'Amla (3.7 dunums) planted with Almonds, olive and citrus trees. It worth mentioning that Mr. Abd Al Karim reclaimed the land in 2005, and planted it with 250 olive tress, 35 almond trees and 20 citrus trees. An agricultural room of 16 m² area stands on the targeted lands. (2) The second order targeted the land of Khalid Mohamad Khaili Ibrahim to evacuate 6.5 dunums of his lands which are planted with about 200 olive and grapes trees. It is worth mentioning that Mr. Khalid's land has been reclaimed only two months ago

Home Demolition & Demolition Threats

- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished a house owned by 'Ez Al-Deen Abu Nijma in Wadi Al Dam in Beit Hanina town north of Jerusalem city under the pretext of building with no permit
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished a residential brux owned by Al-Shwaki family in Al Khaliyla neighborhood near Al-Jib village northwest of Jerusalem city. The bulldozers also razed the land surrounding the house and uprooted trees. Furthermore, the Israeli bulldozers demolished a fence owned by Samer Mabruka under the pretext of building with no permits

Others

- Al-Aqsa Foundation for Waqf and Heritage warned of the dangers of establishing huge buildings claimed to be “touristic centers” near the old city of Al-Quds. The foundation indicated that “the quick approval on these projects, especially during the latest months and weeks, assures that the Israeli occupation is working under the policy of fait accompli to disfigure the general view of old Al-Quds and the surrounding of the Al-Aqsa mosque, by creating modern buildings that are incompatible with the originality of the Islamic and Arab constructions.”
- The Foundation for Waqf and Heritage committee revealed about an Israeli plan to expand the illegal Jewish neighborhood in the old city of Jerusalem at the expense of Palestinian lands belonging to the Armenian monastery. In a report issued by Al Aqsa foundation stated that this plan is part of a comprehensive Judaization scheme to change the Islamic and Christian monuments and landmarks in Al-Sharaf neighborhood. This neighborhood is adjacent to Al-Magharbeh Gate and Al-Buraq wall areas. The Israeli plan, which is carried out by a company for the development of the Jewish quarter in the old city of Jerusalem, comprises of residential compounds, hotels, shopping malls, public facilities and underground parking lot. The plan also includes the construction of an underground tunnel extending from the parking lot to Al-Magharbeh Gate; and the entrance to this tunnel will be established in An Nabi Da'oud Gate area where the southwestern wall of the old city of Jerusalem is located. This tunnel will be part of the network of tunnels that exist under the city of Jerusalem and surround Al Aqsa Mosque.