



# ARIJ Daily Report

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 07 February 2016

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.*

*The text is not quoted directly from the sources but is edited for clarity.*

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### Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian land located near the border fence, east of Al Burij refugee camp in the central of Gaza strip. (Safa 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented a Palestinian family to enter their house, which located inside the border of "Beit Al Baraka" campus, north of Al Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron city. The IOA changed the lock of the main door. (RB2000 7 February 2016)

- A Palestinian was injured after the Israeli Army opened fire at him while he was riding his bicycle at the main entrance of Bani Na'im village in Hebron governorate. (RB2000 7 February 2016)

### **Israeli Arrests**

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians and summoned Shadi Ghalama to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police, after storming and searching their houses in Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Amjad Al Hamouri, Islam Al Karki (18 years) and Muaz Abed Al Majed Shabanah (18 years). (Safa 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mujahed Nimi Al Farokh (16 years) and his two brothers; Qusai (15 years) and Said (11 years), after storming their family house in Sair town, north of Hebron city. (Safa 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Issam Ramzi Harb after raiding and searching his house in Iskaka village, northeast of Salfit city. (Safa 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Issam Musbah Othmana to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police, after storming his house in Asira Ash-Shamaliya village, north of Nablus city. (Wafa 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Abdalla Abed An Nasser Hamed (15 years) from Silwad town, northeast of Ramallah city, to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Ofar military base. (Wattan 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian after storming and searching his house in Ar-Ram town, north of Jerusalem city. (ARN 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Said Hisham An-Natour (22 years) from Jenin refugee camp, west of Jenin city while he was interviewing the Israeli Intelligence Police in Salem military base. (RB2000 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Nedal Mohammad Abed (24 years) and Amer Sami Al 'Ajouri (33 years) to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion settlement bloc, after storming their houses in Ad-Duheisha refugee camp, south of Bethlehem city. (Orient FM 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Rami Ibrahim Abu Hamad (23 years) from Wadi An-Nis village, south of Bethlehem city, while he was near Gush Etzion junction. (Al-Quds 7 February 2016)

### **Israeli Settler Violence**

- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. Notes that the IOA still preventing more than 60 Palestinian women (listed in the Israeli black list) from entering the mosque. (ARN 7 February 2016)
- Israeli settlers razed Palestinian land, north of Burqin village, west of Salfit city. The targeted land located near Barqan industrial zone (NBPRS 7 February 2016)

### **Israeli Military Orders**

- Israeli Occupation Authorities issued orders to stop the construction in four Palestinian houses and a mosque in Deir Balut village, west of Salfit city. The targeted houses are owned by: Nouh, Abed Al Khaleq, Idres and Ibrahim Abdalla. (NBPRS 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities issued orders to demolish two Palestinian houses in Yatma village in Nablus governorate. The targeted houses are owned by: Faraj An-Najar and Khalil Ibrahim An-Najar. (Al-Quds 7 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities issued orders to close and confiscate four Palestinian houses in Sur Baher town, south of Jerusalem city. The targeted houses are owned by the families of four Palestinian prisoners in the Israeli jail; Mohammad Salah Abu Kaf (18 years), Waled Fares Al Atrash (19 years), Abed Mahmoud Dwikat (20 years) and Mohammad Jihad At-Tawel (17 years). Noted that the IOA also confiscated the ID cards for three of them. (Al-Quds & Orient FM 7 February 2016)

### **Other**

- An Israeli group known as Saving Jewish Jerusalem called for the immediate establishment of a “security fence” in occupied Jerusalem in order to separate it from its eastern part. The group was founded by the former cabinet minister Haim Ramon and a number of Knesset members and former army leaders, Maariv Hebrew newspaper revealed. “Saving Jewish Jerusalem’s platform, which will also be presented to the public, calls for handing control of 28 Palestinian villages in East Jerusalem to the Palestinian Authority (PA). The villages in question had been an integral part of the West Bank until Israel annexed them in 1967.” By removing some 200,000 Palestinians from the municipal boundaries of Jerusalem, the city’s Jews will constitute more than 80% of its residents, and the percentage of Palestinians will drop to less than 20%, from the nearly 40% today, according to the newspaper. Not only that, the group stresses, revoking the Palestinians’ Israeli residency permits will ease the

economic burden these villages impose on the Israeli taxpayer, some 2-3 billion Israeli shekels (\$500-\$750 million) in social and medical care. Members of the movement argue that the Palestinian villages are massively detrimental to the prosperity of the Israeli capital in terms of security, demographic balance, standard of living and economic well-being. ([Pal Info](#) 7 February 2016)

- EU calls on Israel to stop demolishing Palestinian homes. Diplomatic wrangling ratchets up over European-funded prefab homes given to Palestinians in West Bank, which Israel says are illegal. BRUSSELS, Belgium – The European Union on Saturday called on Israel to halt the demolition of Palestinian housing, some of which was EU-funded, and reiterated its opposition to expanding Israeli settlements in the West Bank. “In the past weeks there have been a number of developments in Area C of the West Bank, which risk undermining the viability of a future Palestinian state and driving the parties yet further apart,” the EU diplomatic service said in a statement. It referred to Israel’s decision on January 25 to declare 154 hectares (380 acres) of land near Jericho in the West Bank as state land, with reported plans to build around 150 new residences for settlers. This was followed by the demolition of several Palestinian residences in the south Hebron hills on Wednesday. “This is particularly concerning both because of the extent of the demolitions and also the number of vulnerable individuals affected, including children who need support,” the EU said, adding that “demolitions included EU-funded structures.” “We call on the Israeli authorities to reverse the decisions taken and to halt further demolitions,” it said. Foreign ministers from the 28 EU nations had confirmed “the EU’s firm opposition to Israel’s settlement policy” and criticized the actions including demolitions, confiscation and forced transfers. UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon said Friday he was “ashamed” at a lack of progress in the Israeli-Palestinian peace process, which has been deadlocked since a US peace mission collapsed in April 2014. Israel has criticized the EU-funded construction as “illegal” and intended to create facts on the ground on the Palestinian side. Army Radio reported Thursday that Israeli inspectors were having difficulty keeping up with the pace of prefabricated homes which, it said, are delivered flat-packed in the dead of night to be assembled early in the morning. According to the report, the EU has built more than 200 structures in Area C of the West Bank in recent years, territory which, according to the Oslo Accords signed in 1993 between the Israelis and Palestinians, falls under full Israeli civil and security control. Ten prefabs arrived in the past two weeks alone, the radio report claimed. Israeli forces demolished 24 out

of 40 targeted structures on Tuesday in and around the village of Khirbet Jenbah south of Hebron — 10 of them EU-funded — after the buildings were declared to be located in a military firing zone by the army body that oversees civilian activities in the territories. The demolitions came after a protracted arbitration battle failed to produce results, the Defense Ministry stated. The High Court of Justice ordered an emergency stay to the demolition order after a European group appealed the decision. The stay will last at least until a February 9 hearing before the court. On Thursday morning, Israeli forces demolished five tents, three barns and an outside toilet it said had been built without permits in the village of Tammun in the northeastern West Bank, the Ynet news site reported. Danny Danon, Israel's ambassador to the UN, on Thursday accused the EU of hypocrisy. "They can't come and on the one hand blame Israel for creating facts on the ground and yet spend hundreds of millions of dollars on a comprehensive plan for illegal construction," he told Army Radio. He said that while it was fine for the EU to build in Area C in coordination with Israel, "in the same breath, there's a system that... like thieves in the night, they are building illegal buildings... to create territorial contiguity for the Palestinians. They are creating facts on the ground instead of pressuring the Palestinians to return to the negotiating table." Army Radio said many of the trailer-type buildings arriving in the West Bank carried the names of the EU or an EU-affiliated organization and were being delivered to areas such as the Jordan Valley and the hills leading down to Jericho. Israeli supervisors usually identified and dismantled them quickly "but the phenomenon has broadened to the extent that the supervisors' unit doesn't always manage to keep up with the pace." Asserting that Area C is "part of the occupied Palestinian territory and part of any viable future Palestinian state," the EU Mission in Israel said the union had stepped in on humanitarian grounds because of Israel's failure to approve more than a handful of master plans that would allow the Palestinians to build themselves. All EU activity in the West Bank was "fully in line with international humanitarian law" and formed part of efforts to promote economic development and improve the quality of life of Palestinian communities in Area C in the private sector, the environment and agriculture," said the statement. ([Time of Israel](#) 7 February 2016)