

# **ARIJ Daily Report**

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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

• Israeli Occupation gunboats and Navy opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at As-Sudaniya shore, northwest of Gaza city, and arrested nine fishermen. The arrestees were identified as: Majed Fadel Bakir, Fadi Majed Bakir, Amran Majed Bakir, Mohammad Zeid Bakir, Khalil Johar Bakir, Fadi Suhail Bakir, Khames Suhail Bakir, Yusri Al Akhmash and Mohammad Nizar Bakir. (Maannews & Orient FM 29 February 2016)

• A 26 years old Palestinian worker was injured after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at him while he was near the border fence, east of Beit Hanoun town, north of Gaza strip. (Al-Quds 29 February 2016)

#### Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested five family members (the father, the mother, a 16 years old boy, and 14 years old girl and a 2 years old baby boy) after storming and searching their house in Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city. (Wafa 28 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested five Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Mohammad Arafat Ibrahim Al Qawasmi, Shadi Issam Hassan Al Hashlamun (23 years), Dia' Zahda, Yousif Wahed Abu Farah and Taqi Jamal Al Hor (23 years) (Safa & Wafa 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Fadi Mohammad Ghnimat after storming and searching his house in Surif village, northwest of Hebron city. (Safa & Wafa 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Abed Al Qader Kayed Hamad (32 years) from Silwad town in Ramallah governorate, while he was interviewing the Israeli Intelligence Police. (Wafa 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Beit 'Ur At-Tahta village, west of Ramallah city. The arrestees were identified as: Ibrahim Musbah Suliman (20 years) and Mohammad Mahmoud Omar (20 years). (Wafa 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Shufat town, north of Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as: Taha Abu Khdeir and Abed Al Mansour Abu Khdeir. (Wafa 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Abed Ar-Rahamn Abasi from Silwan town in Jerusalem city. (Wafa 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ahmed Bial Abu Ar-Rub from Qabatiya village, south of Jenin city. (Wafa 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Al Yamun village in Jenin governorate. The arrestees were identified as: Ahmed Hafid Sa'aidah, Ahmed 'Ayed Samudi (16 years) and Sameh Hassan Younis Samudi (16 years). (Wafa 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Nimir Khalid Shakarnah (18 years) to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion

- settlement bloc, after storming his family house in Nahhalin village, southwest of Bethlehem city. (Orient FM 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians after raiding and searching their houses in several areas in Nablus city. The arrestees were identified as: Mujahed Al Qatab, Maher Khatab, Ala Ayyad and Adnan Ayadd. (Al-Quds 29 February 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after storming their houses in Beit Furik village, east of Nablus city. The arrestees were identified as: Nasser Hinni and Amir Bakeer. (Al-Quds 29 February 2016)

### Israeli Settler Violence

• Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, toured in its courtyard and tried to perform Talmudic rituals. (Pal Info 29 February 2016)

#### Home Demolition & Demolition threats

 Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished four residential tents in Al Farisiya village in the northern of Jordan valley. The targeted tents inhabited by 20 family members. (Pal Today & Wattan 29 February 2016)

## Israeli Military Orders

• Israeli high court ordered to demolish a Palestinian house in Hebron city. The targeted house is owned by the family of the Palestinian martyr Ibrahim Skafi. (Safa 29 February 2016)

#### Other

• Jordan Valley Settlers Took 150 Acres From Palestinians in 2015. Israeli army, civil administration were apparently unaware of new land grabs. During 2015, Jordan Valley settlements appropriated 600 dunams (150 acres) of Palestinian farmland in an area that is off-limits to Palestinians for "security reasons". After the West Bank was occupied in 1967, the Israel Defense Forces issued Military Order 151, which prohibits Palestinians from entering the area between the border fence and the Jordan River. This order remained in effect even after the signing of the peace treaty with Jordan. The area contains tens of thousands of dunams of Palestinian-owned land that was cultivated by the Palestinians until they were shut out. Because the Jordan River

passes through the area, the land is especially fertile and good for agriculture. In the early 1980s, the Ministerial Committee on Settlement Affairs issued a resolution permitting armed Jewish residents of the Jordan Valley to cultivate government-owned land in the area. Ariel Sharon instructed settler leaders to cultivate the entire area, going beyond the provisions of the resolution. In January 2013, Haaretz reported that 5,000 dunams of these lands were being cultivated by the settlers, many of them after receiving land allocations from the World Zionist Organization in the '80s. In the wake of that report, two petitions were submitted to the High Court of Justice. During the hearings on those petitions it emerged that some of the plots from which the Palestinians were being blocked were actually west of the border fence. A new, corrected order is meant to be issued shortly. As for the Palestinian plots that are being farmed by settlers, the state refused to take a position and instead is trying to come to an agreement with the Palestinians on compensation, so far without success. Now it turns out that despite the High Court hearings and the efforts by the IDF General Staff to address the issue, in 2015 settlers began cultivating an additional 600 dunams owned by Palestinians in three different parts of the border zone. Until Haaretz contacted them, neither the army nor the Civil Administration was aware of the new land grabs, and it is not clear what they plan to do about it. Last month, settlement researcher and left-wing activist Dror Etkes criticized what he called "the harmonious coexistence between what is called 'security concerns' and the ongoing enterprise of theft and expropriation [of Palestinian lands] by the government, which has flourished for the past 50 years". As Etkes put it, "We can assume that had they not petitioned the court, the situation would have stayed the same for many more years". Taufiq Jabrin, a lawyer representing some of the Palestinians, said "the state pretty much confessed to doing something illegal, but they have yet to decide what they want to do with it .... There is nothing to talk about, we want our land back". (<u>Haaretz</u> 29 February 2016)