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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 Army (IOA) tightened its procedures in the central of Hebron city. The IOA closed all the areas around the Ibrahimi mosque and prevented Palestinians from reaching it. (PNN 17 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at As-Sudaniya shores, northwest of Gaza strip. (Al-Quds 17 May 2015)

- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at Rafah and Khan Younis shores, south of Gaza strip. (Al-Quds 17 May 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ash-Shuhada village, south of Jenin city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians, causing dozens of suffocation cases. The IOA also, stormed and searched a commercial structure owned by Shadi and Nizar Zayoud. (Al-Quds 17 May 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Kafr Aqab village and Samiramer area, north of Jerusalem city, after the IOA stormed and searched a Palestinian house owned by Abu Ramilah family. (Al-Quds 17 May 2015)
- Dozens of Palestinians were injured after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked a non-violent protest against the Israeli Flag demonstration; held by the Israeli settlers, in the old city of Jerusalem. The IOA assaulted the participants. (Maannews 17 May 2015)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Iyad Fathi Issai (39 years) to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Salem military base, after storming his house in Sanur village, south of Jenin city. (Wafa 17 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Osama Naje Al Hashlamun (23 years) after storming his house in Hebron city and arrested Ashraf Abu 'ashah from Tal Ar-Rumida neighborhood in Hebron city after the Israeli settlers attacked him. (Wafa 17 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Ramzi Bassam Badawi Akhalil (18 years) to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion settlement bloc, after storming his house in Beit Ummer town, north of Hebron city. (Wafa 17 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Abed Al Qadir Bassam Hamad (20 years) after raiding his house in Silwad village, northeast of Ramallah city. (Wafa 17 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Omaer Yousif Safi Hasasnah (26 years) to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion settlement bloc, after storming his house in Al-Ubidiya town, northeast of Bethlehem city. (RB2000 17 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after raiding their houses in Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as: Shadi Aliyan and Mohammad Salah Mahmoud. (Wafa 17 May 2015)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers stormed a Palestinian house at Ash-Shuhada street in the old city of Hebron and destroyed its consists. (NBPRS 17 May 2015)
- Israeli settlers living in Asfar and Bani Kedeem settlements uprooted and stole 800 olive seedlings from Al Wasli area, east of Al Shuyukh village, north of Hebron city. The targeted seedlings are owned by Mohammad, Abed AL Qadir and Musa Abu Shanab Al Abadi(Al-Quds 17 May 2015)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard, and performed Talmudic rituals at the entrance of the mosque. During the operation, the IOA arrested Mohammad Ibrahim. (Maannews 17 May 2015)

Israeli Closures

- Israeli Occupation Authorities decided to close a gate in northern of Qalqiliya which used by Palestinian farmers to access their land beyond the separation wall, for three days starting from the 17th of May 2015. "We have been informed by the joint municipal council of four villages, Kafr Jammal, Kafr Zibad, Kafr Abbush and Kafr Sur, that the main route to our agricultural lands behind the wall through a gate in Falamyia village will be closed by the Israeli occupation," a farmer from Kafr Jammal told Ma'an. Ashraf Abd al-Rahim added that farmers were told they could access their lands through another gate in the village of Jaiyyus. However, the Jaiyyus gate lies several kilometers to the south and farmers would have to take a long route of dirt roads, he said. The mayor of the joint municipal council of the Kafr villages Abd al-Ghani Murshid confirmed to Ma'an that the Palestinian civil liaison office had notified him that Israeli forces would shut down the Falamyia gate for three days starting Sunday. He said that Israeli forces said farmers would be allowed to access their land through the Jaiyyus gate, which will be open for six hours a day. Locals told Ma'an that farmers and local organizations would stage a sit-in strike near the Falamyia gate to protest the Israeli decision. The separation wall, the construction of which began in 2003, contributes to massive Israeli restrictions on Palestinians' freedom of movement within their internationally recognized territories. When completed, 85 percent of the wall will run inside the West Bank. In 2004, the International Court of Justice called on Israel to stop construction of the separation wall within the occupied West Bank.(Maannews 17 May 2015)

Other

- Netanyahu: Jerusalem is the capital of the Jewish people alone. Islamic extremism threatens city and entire world, premier says at Jerusalem Day ceremony; President Rivlin says Jerusalem belongs to all of its citizens – Arabs and Jews. Jerusalem was always the capital of the Jewish people alone – and not of any other nation, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on Sunday night during a Jerusalem Day address at Ammunition Hill. "This is our home and here we will stay," the prime minister added. That said, Netanyahu stressed that Israel ensures that Jerusalem will be an open and tolerant city. "Only under Israeli rule is the freedom of worship in Jerusalem guaranteed for all religions," he said. "Believers pray at their holy sites, not despite our control over the city but because of it." The prime minister described Jerusalem as a "touchstone that puts us to the test: To what extent are we willing to hold onto it and defend it?" Netanyahu vowed that Israel will never come to terms with terror and will hunt down its proponents. "We will fight incitement, which stems from denial of our attachment to Jerusalem and our heritage." "Who opposes our presence in Jerusalem?" the prime minister asked. "Those who refuse to accept our right to live as a sovereign nation in our country. They regard us as a foreign weed that needs to be pulled out of this ground." In a more conciliatory speech, President Reuven Rivlin said that, while Jerusalem for him is both "Zion and Zionism," it doesn't belong only to its history. "It belongs first and foremost to its people, to all its residents – secular, religious and Haredi; Arabs and Jews," Rivlin said. "In united Jerusalem there is a west and an east. It has no step-children." "We must be honest with ourselves when we look at the massive gulf between the west of the city and the east," the president urged his audience. "We may have united the city, but we have barely begun the task of bringing about its economic and social unity. "While western Jerusalem is achieving impressive progress and development, in the east we find neglect and despair." ([Haaretz](#) 17 May 2015)