

# **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.

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) stormed the protest village "Al-Quds Gate", east of Abu Dis town, east of Jerusalem city, and attacked the Palestinian and international activists by firing teargas and stun grenades at them, causing dozens of suffocation cases. (Maannews 16 February 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched several areas and neighborhoods in Jenin city, during the operation, the IOA

- arrested Bashar Issa Said Sablan (24 years). (Wattan & Wafa 16 February 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers and shepherds while they were near the border fence, east of Al-Maghazi refugee camp in the central of Gaza strip. (Al-Quds 16 February 2015)

#### Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian from Jabal 'Eball area in Nablus city. (Maannews 16 February 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Shafiq Al-Qawasmi and Meqdad Omar Al-Qawasmi (18 years). The IOA transferred the arrestees to unknown location. (Safa 16 February 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Harith Fouad Abu 'Amirah (27 years) after raiding and searching his house in Za'tara village, east of Bethlehem city. (Raya 16 February 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ahmed Abu Fouli (16 years) after storming his family house in Ash-Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Jerusalem city. (Raya 16 February 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in At-Tur/ Olive Mount neighborhood in Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as: Majdi Hadrah, Mohammad Ziyad Abu Isbitan (16 years) and Loay As-Sayad. (Raya 16 February 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Al-Eaziriya town, east of Jerusalem city. (Al-Quds 16 February 2015)

### Israeli Settler Violence

• Israeli settlers and Israeli Intelligence Police escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Maannews 16 February 2015)

## Israeli Military Orders

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out a military order to uproot and remove 2000 trees and a store from a Palestinian land (66 dunums) in Qasser Ibrees area in Haris village in Salfit Governorate. The targeted trees are owned by Ma'mun Daoud (Abu Ameen). (Maannews 16 February 2015)

 Israeli Occupation Authoirities issued a military order to evacuate an agricultural land in Tayasir village, northeast of Tubas city. The targeted land is owned by Anan Ahmed Ibrahim Daraghma. (NBPRS 16 February 2015)

## Erection of Israeli checkpoints

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected sudden checkpoints at the entrances of Sair and Halhul towns in Hebron governorate. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked their ID cards. (Raya 16 February 2015)

#### Other

Israel balks before evicting Bedouin West Bank community. Civil Administration says legal process must determine if prefab homes there are illegal. The Israeli authorities in the West Bank have ruled that legal proceedings must be seen through before a Bedouin community east of Jerusalem can be evicted from prefab housing deemed illegal. Early this month, the Civil Administration replaced 15 eviction orders with stop-work orders, allowing for the reprieve. The eviction orders stated that members of the Kaabneh Bedouin living in prefab homes in the community of Arara would have to leave their homes within 48 hours. These orders were issued in early January under a statute describing the inhabitants as "new squatters," even though Kaabneh Bedouin have been living there for 30 years. In this community, as in others east of Jerusalem, tin shacks have been replaced by sturdier prefab dwellings donated by European organizations. The area taken up by each dwelling is no greater than that taken up by a shack, but the Civil Administration says the construction is illegal. The Bedouin at Arara are among those Israel wants to live, against their will, in one large town to be built north of Jericho. "The eviction orders were issued in keeping with the information at our disposal at the time," the Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories told Haaretz in a statement. "After claims by the representative of the Kaabneh tribe were received, the case was examined and it was decided to issue stop-work orders against the illegal structures that were built in the area without a permit." The representative, attorney Shlomo Lecker, told Haaretz that the inspector who served the eviction order has known the Kaabneh community for many years and thus could have known that the term "new squatters" was wrong. Lecker said inspectors were trying to follow the demands of MK Orit Strock (Habayit Hayehudi). In a

meeting of the settlement subcommittee at the Knesset Foreign Affairs Defense Committee, Strock suggested that the Civil and Administration "show creativity" regarding procedures for demolishing Bedouin structures that would limit the possibility of petitioning the High Court. As Lecker put it, "In the meeting she said: 'I am sure that if you ask the legal advisers to find special orders that will permit expedited enforcement, they will invent them using their great talents. The question is: 'Why don't you ask?'" Referring to the West Bank, a spokeswoman for the Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories said: "The Civil Administration enforces illegal construction in Judea and Samaria against all populations equally and in keeping with its powers." (Haaretz 16 February 2015)