

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 and searched three Palestinian houses in Ash-Shuyyukh village, north of Hebron city and questioned the residents. The targeted houses are owned by Ayoub Halaiqa, Ghassan Mohammad Qadum and Musa Halaiqa. (ARN 21 July 2015)
- A Palestinian fisherman was injured and two others were arrested after the Israeli Occupation Navy attacked their fishing boats while they were sailing at As-Sudaniya shore, northwest of Gaza strip. The

arrestees were identified as: Yousif Barakat and Haitham Bakir. (Al-Quds 21 July 2015)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Qatebah Hamadnah from Asira Ash-Shamaliya village, north of Nablus city. (ARN 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ala Roben Al Qaq (17 years) after raiding his house in Ein Al Louza neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. (SilwanIC 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammad Al Bayoumi after storming his house in Bab Hutta neighborhood in the old city of Jerusalem. (ARN 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Kafr Qallil village in Nablus governorate. The arrestees were identified as: Samer Abdalla Mansour, Ghanem Hikmat Amer and Fayez Na'em Al Qani. (ARN 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 'Awab Fouad Hassan Ya'aceb (21 years) from Kafr Ra'I village in Jenin governorate. (ARN 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Bani Na'im town, east of Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Mutaz Azmi Al-Khadour (17 years) and Othman Al Manasrah (18 years). (RB2000 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Anan Ali Awni Al Ja'bari (13 years) from the old city of Hebron. The IOA transferred the arrestee to unknown location. (RB2000 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Amena Amudi from Birqin village, west of Jenin city while she was visiting her son in an Israeli Jail. (Al-Quds 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian from Al Jalazoun refugee camp, north of Ramallah city while he was at the courtyard of Al Agsa mosque in Jerusalem city. (Al-Quds 21 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Khalil Abu Abssiya from Jerusalem city. (Al-Quds 21 July 2015)

Israeli Settler Violence

• Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. At the same time, the IOA tightened its procedures at the entrance of the mosque. (Al-Quds 21 July 2015)

• Israeli settlers put a number of signboards in several areas in Bethlehem governorate, demanded the settlers to get ready for the next conflict with the Palestinians on land and asked them to occupy land and build more housing units. (Al-Ayyam 21 July 2015)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

 Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished two barracks and a commercial store in Khallit Ibrahim area, west of Idhna town, northwest of Hebron city. The targeted structures are owned by: Said Fayes Salimiya, Marwan Hilmi Tmiza and Hussam Ash-Sha'rawi. (Al-Quds 21 July 2015)

Israeli Military Orders

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out a military orders to stop the construction in a football playground in Wadi Fukin village, west of Bethlehem city. (Al –Quds 21 July 2015)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

- Israeli Occupation bulldozers razed Palestinian agricultural road in AN-Nasba area, east of Yasuf village, east of Salfit city. (Wafa 21 July 2015)
- Temporary Confiscation for Gardening Purposes of 600 dunams of **Issawia.** The Jerusalem Mayor, Nir Barkat, in a rare step, ordered 600 dunams of the lands of Issawiya to be temporary confiscated for gardening purposes, using a special municipal law that allows the municipality to make use of an empty lot for public uses for five years, in cases where the owner does not develop it. The orders were found by residence of Issawiya spread out in the fields, on Sunday 28/6/15. The lands in question are <u>targeted by the authorities</u> in recent years, where a plan to declare them as a National Park are promoted in order to create an Israeli dominated continuity between Jerusalem and the <u>area of E1</u>. The park is also meant to block the potential development of the adjacent neighborhoods of Issawiya and A-Tur. Following a long struggle against the planned National Park, the park has <u>yet to be officially declared</u>. It seems that in order to bypass the need to declare the lands as National Park, the authorities are trying to take over the lands through another problematic legal means. The original purpose of the municipal Gardening Use Law was to allow the municipality to make temporary use of empty lots in the middle of

town for the public benefit (for gardening and parking). The law never meant to allow the municipality to make use of large open areas. It is also required according to the law, that the owners refuse or choose not to make use of the lot. When the owner wants to use his or her private property they are allowed to do so, with accordance with the approved construction plans. In the case of Issawiya, the owners wish to make use of their land. One month ago, the municipality uprooted a Bustan, trees that were planted by the Palestinians, because it was done without a permit. It seems now very hard to explain why a Gardening Use Order is required in such case when the owners wish to do the gardening by themselves. Peace Now: "The goal of the authorities is to prevent any potential Palestinian capital in East Jerusalem by taking over and blocking the lands necessary for the future development of a viable Palestinian state. The Jerusalem Municipality and the National Parks Authority seem so obsessed with creating an Israeli dominated corridor in the area, that they lost their common sense. These orders are making a mocary of the law and are using it only as a pretext for a political goal". (Peace Now 21 July 2015)

Erection of Israeli checkpoints

 Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected military checkpoints at the northern entrance of Hebron city and at the main entrance of Sair town. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (ARN 21 July 2015)