

# **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

- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at Qalandiya military checkpoint, north of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired rubber and live bullets and teargas grenades, causing dozens of suffocation cases and the injury of 14 people. (ARN 28 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at As-Sudaniya shore, northwest of Gaza city, and at Al Waha shore, northwest of Beit Lahiya town. (Al-Quds 28 July 2015)

#### Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Kharbatha Al- Misbah village, west of Ramallah city. (Orient FM 28 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 10 Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as: Hani Shadi Nasser (14 years), Adam Kayed Mahmoud (14 years), Mohammad Mubtasem Abed (14 years), Yahya Arafat Darbas (14 years), Majd Nayef Mustafah (14 years), Mohammad Maz'oro (15 years), Munir Dari (14 years), Adi Darbas (15 years), Ahmed Mahmoud (15 years) and Ashraf Abed (18 years). (Maannews 28 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ishaq Mahmoud Al Khateeb (20 years) after raiding his family house in Al Fawar refugee camp, south of Hebron city. The IOA transferred the arrestee to unknown location. During the operation, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA. (Wafa & Safa 28 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ameer Abu Za'nouna (18 years) after storming him at a military checkpoint erected by the IOA in Tal Ar-Rumida neighborhood in Hebron city. (Pal Info 28 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from the old city of Jerusalem after assaulting them. The arrestees were identified as: Aboud Al Hadad, Mahmoud Abu Sninah and Abadah Najeeb. (Pal Info 28 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Abed Al Fatah Rebhe Halaiqa after storming and searching his house in Ash-Shuyyukh village, north of Hebron city. (ARN 28 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Bethlehem city. The arrestees were identified as: Jehad Awad At-Ta'mari (20 years) and his brother Ahmed (18 years) and Mohammad Khalil Mahmoud Kawazbah (24 years). (RB2000 28 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. The Israeli settlers also, carried out provocative actions and chanted anto-Islamic slogans. (Wafa 28 July 2015)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the evacuation site of Sanur near Jaba' village, south of Jenin city. (Al-Quds 28 July 2015)

• Israeli settlers assaulted and injured a Palestinian bus driver; Mohammad Hussam Barakat, while he was driving his bus in Ash-Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Jerusalem city. (RB2000 28 July 2015)

#### Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- Israeli Occupation bulldozers escorted by the Israeli Army demolished two commercial stores (100 square meters) and an under construction house (100 square meters) in Ein Al Louza neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The targeted house and stores are owned by Khalil Mohammad Al Abbasi. (SilwanIC 28 July 2015)
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers escorted by the Israeli Army demolished two stores and two residential rooms in Ein Al Fouqa neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The targeted structures are owned by: Iyad Al Abbasi. (SilwanIC 28 July 2015)

#### Confiscation & Razing of lands

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out a military order to confiscate 15 dunums of land at Al Afjam area in Aqraba village, southeast of Nablus city. (Shasha News 28 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. (Wafa 28 July 2015)

#### Other

Netanyahu demands illegal West Bank homes not be demolished. State given until Thursday to raze two structures in Beit El settlement; settlers clash with Israeli forces set to evacuate the homes. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Tuesday that the Israeli government opposed a High Court order to demolish illegal homes in the West Bank settlement of Beit El and was taking legal recourse to prevent such action. "We are actively trying to strengthen the settlements, in accordance with the law," Netanyahu said. "Our stance on the houses in Beit El is very clear: We oppose the demolition and are taking legal action to prevent this move. I want the government's stance – that the planning process on the site has been finished and there is therefore no reason to demolish the homes – be brought to the

High Court for attention." Netanyahu discussed the matter with Attorney General Yehuda Weinstein Tuesday. Just prior to Netanyahu's announcement, Habayit Hayehudi chairman and Education Minister Naftali Bennett demanded that Netanyahu clarify that the houses were not to be demolished. "Ten years since the Disengagement, someone seems to have forgotten that the national camp once had political and public force," Bennett told Netanyahu in a telephone conversation. "The defense minister has been dragged into the extremism and the agitation, instead of trying to calm the tension." Border Policemen clashed with settlers in Beit El overnight Monday as they moved to take over the two houses deemed illegal by Israeli courts and slated for demolition. Scores of settlers – mostly youths – were arrested overnight after barricading themselves inside the structures. The two structures - known collectively as Dreinoff buildings, named after the contractor who built them - were constructed on private Palestinian land and a court demolition order was issued for them in 2010. After a lengthy legal battle in the High Court, the state was given until this Thursday to demolish the structures. In the past two weeks, the local settler council has encouraged youths to arrive at the scene and set themselves up in the two houses in an attempt to prevent the demolition. In recent days, fortification efforts were conducted by settlers and barbed wires was placed around the structures' doors and windows, and makeshift metal barricades were set up. Fearing the situation would escalate out of control, a large number of security forces were sent to evacuate the structure overnight, ahead of its expected demolition. Nonetheless, the IDF does not necessarily plan to do away with the structures immediately. In recent weeks, Defense Minister Moshe Ya'alon has worked to retroactively 'legitimize' the structures by attaining the proper permits and thus circumnavigate the High Court's ruling on the matter. The Civil Administration in Judea and Samaria even held an emergency meeting last Wednesday, issuing a permit for the structures. On Tuesday the contractor was expected to petition the court on the basis of the permit, urging justices to rescind - or issue a stay - to the demolition order. The state is expected to support the contractors claim. It is possible the move to evacuate the structures will help the contractor's claim, as settlers' presence in the structure contradicted the court's decree, and with its evacuation, the state can now claim that it has followed the court's orders. In response to the report, the IDF said in a statement that "in accordance with the High Court's ruling and with the intention of evacuating and demolishing the Dreinoff buildings in the community of Beit El, it was decided to station a Border Police force at the compound... Security forces will work to maintain law and order in the compound." According to the statement, the Border Policemen were sent to Beit El to prevent locals from entering the structures and to "allow the planned move" to proceed. (<u>Haaretz</u> 28 July 2015)