



# 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 a number of Palestinian houses and structures in Khirbet Al Halawa and Al Markiz, east of Yatta town, south of Hebron city. (Wafa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) expanded Abu Ar-Rosh military checkpoint, at the western part of the Ibrahimi mosque in the old city of Hebron, where the IOA added a new investigation room. (Wafa 3 May 2016)

- Israeli Occupation bulldozers staged few meters into the eastern part of Ash-Shuja'iyah neighborhood, east of Gaza city and razed Palestinian land. (Al-Quds 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and toured a several Palestinian neighborhoods in Idhan town, west of Hebron city. (Safa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched several areas in Barta'a Ash Sharqiya village, west of Jenin city. (Safa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked a non-violent protest near the Israeli Jail of Ofar, near Beituniya town in Ramallah Governorate. The protest was carried out by the Palestinian journalists against the arrest of Omar Nazal. The IOA fired stun and teargas grenades, causing the injury of Mohammad Abu Shosha, Ali Abiyat and Zahir Abu Huseen. (Safa 3 May 2016)

### **Israeli Arrests**

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Nedal Basam Tharifah (40 years) from Tulkarm city, after stopping him at Al Karama terminal. (Wafa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muntaser Bilal 'Ajaj after storming his house in Seida village, northeast of Tulkarm city. (Wafa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after storming their house in Hebron city. one of the arrestees was identified as: Muhsen Ahmed Al Ju'ba (Safa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Marah Rabah village, south of Bethlehem city. The arrestees were identified as: Imad Ahmed Abed Al Karem Al Faqeh (23 years) and Adi Hani Taqatqah (20 years). (Safa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian from 'Attil village, north of Tulkarm city. (Safa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after raiding their houses in Nablus city. one of the arrestees was identified as: Mohammad Samaro. (Wattan & Safa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after storming their houses in 'Askar refugee camp in Nablus governorate. One of the arrestees was identified as: Wadah Alayan. (Wattan & Safa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Turmus'ayya village, northeast of Ramallah city. The arrestees were identified as: Jamel Mustafah

Taim. Mahmoud Methqal Saleh and Mohammad Al Ameen Kin'an. (Wafa 3 May 2016)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 6 Palestinians after raiding their houses in Bir Nabala and Al Juddira villages, north of Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as: Di'a Mohammad Shahada (20 years), Rashad Abed Al Fatah Burjos (19 years), Mohammad Said Burjos (19 years), Tareq Abed Al Karef Burjos (17 years), Mohammad Nizar Zidan (24 years) and Khalid Aziz Zidan (50 years). (Wafa & Safa 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from the old city of Jerusalem. (Wafa & ARN 3 May 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Tariq Al 'Abbasi after storming his work place in Jerusalem city. (RB2000 3 May 2016)

### **Israeli Settler Violence**

- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Pal Today 3 May 2016)

### **Home Demolition & Demolition threats**

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a Palestinian house in Nablus city. The targeted house is owned by Zeid Ameer. (Maanews 3 May 2016)

### **Erection of Israeli checkpoints**

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected military checkpoints at the entrances of Idhna, Sair and Halhul towns, at the northern entrance of Hebron city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (ARN 3 May 2016)

### **Other**

- Israel to Invest Millions in Improving Settlements' Cellular Reception Despite IDF Opposition. Plan was hatched after emergency teams were late to arrive at scene of terrorist attack due to poor reception. The Communications Ministry is advancing a 40-million-shekel (\$10.6 million) plan to improve cellular reception in the West Bank, but the army opposes it, saying it does not need civilian networks to improve its reception in the territories. The state plans to build some 40 towers and connect them to the cellular network. The cabinet decided on the

project late last year, after the October 1 attack in which a couple were murdered between the settlements of Elon Moreh and Itamar in the northern West Bank. At the time there was no cellular reception in the area, so emergency teams were late to the scene, and it was harder for them to communicate once they arrived. The same problems occurred at an intersection near Hebron the following January. Once the towers are up, the state will let the cellular companies pay a reduced leasing fee to install their antennae. Industry experts estimate the cost at about 1 million shekels per tower. The plan is thought to be an order by the diplomatic-security cabinet, but the director general of the Communications Ministry, Shlomo Filber, has taken charge of the issue. Elhanan Shapira, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's adviser in the Communications Ministry, has been working with Filber. Shapira is responsible for coordinating the project with the National Security Council. Filber has been working on the plan since the beginning of the year. He asked the Finance Ministry for a budget for the project; the treasury then asked for a comment by the army, which said there was no operational need. Industry experts say the army probably fears that if boosting reception is defined as an operational need, it will be forced to bear the costs. The treasury, meanwhile, has said that if there is a need to improve civilian reception in the West Bank, the state should also improve coverage on access roads to small villages in the Galilee. The Justice Ministry has thus been asked if it is possible to discriminate between West Bank settlements and communities in Israel proper, given the lack of a security argument. According to their licenses, the cellular companies must provide full cellular coverage, but the Communications Ministry may not penalize the firms in areas not defined as sovereign Israeli territory. The state can stipulate the coverage it demands of the companies, but the state has never funded the deployment of cellular towers. The firms put them up based economic considerations and the needs of their customers. Also, the Communication Ministry's plan does not yet determine who would pay for maintenance of the towers. It also does not provide a model for how to fix a broken tower or antenna, and has yet to provide a list of sites that most urgently need better reception. ([Haartz](#) 3 May 2016)