



# 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) opened fire at Palestinian houses and land, east of Al-Qarara town, northeast of Khan Yunis city, south of Gaza strip. (Safa 27 August 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in At-Tur town in Jerusalem city. The IOA fired live bullets, teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians, causing dozens of suffocation cases. During the clashes, the IOA arrested three Palestinians; identified as: Khader Wael Abu Ghanam (15 years),

Ahmed Mohammad Abu Al Hawa and Mohammad Abed Abu Ghanam. (Maannews 27 August 2015)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched four Palestinians houses in Anin village in Jenin governorate. The targeted houses are owned by: Radi, Mahmoud, Mohammad and Yahya Hassan Khadour. (RB2000 27 August 2015)

### **Israeli Arrests**

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Beit Ummer town, north of Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Muhannad Yousif Muhsen Awad (22 years), Nour Yousif Akhdeir Awad (23 years) and Jihad Yousif Hassan Alqam (22 years). (Safa 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 2 Palestinians from Hebron city. (Safa 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Khalid Ibrahim Salah (25 years) and Mohammad Khalil (63 years) and summoned Taha Salah to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police, after storming their houses in Al-Khader village, southwest of Bethlehem city. (RB2000 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Jenin city and Jenin refugee camp. The arrestees were identified as: Hassan Bassem As-Sa'di, Mohammad Zubidi and Mahmoud Osama Al Laloub (19 years). (RB2000 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Arafat Najeh Nassar after storming and searching his house in Deir Qaddis village in Ramallah governorate. The IOA transferred the arrestee to unknown location. (RB2000 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Sami Ismail Tabash (52 years) after stopping him at Beit Hanun terminal, north of Gaza strip. (Maannews 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) re- arrested Ibrahim Salah (55 years), a former Palestinian prisoner in the Israeli Jail, while he was at Bab Al Aboud area in Jerusalem city. (Maannews 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Surif village, northwest of Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Anas Ali Hmidat (22 years) and Akram Jamel Samamrah (35 years). (Safa 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 6 Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Ad-Dhahiriya town, south of Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Amjad Majed Hassan Al

Hawareen (30 years), Hassan Musbah Hassan Waredat (31 years), Ala Mohammad Ahmed An-Najar (33 years) and his brother Raid (25 years), Rafe Majed Musbah Waredat (32 years) and Ismail Hamad Ahmed An-Najar (27 years). The IOA transferred the arrestees to unknown location. (Wafa 27 August 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. And for the fourth days in a row, the IOA prevented Palestinian women from entering the mosque. (RB2000 27 August 2015)
- Israeli settlers living in Revava settlement control over two Palestinian water wells in Deir Istya village, northwest of Salfit city and used them for swimming. (NBPRS 27 August 2015)
- Israeli settlers attacked a Palestinian while he was walking at Al-Anbiya' street in the old city of Jerusalem. (PNN 27 August 2015)
- Israeli settlers stormed "Berzale hospital" and assaulted Palestinians while they were gathering near the room of the Palestinian prisoner "Mohammad Alan". As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the settlers. (Maannews 27 August 2015)
- A new settlement to be established in Silwan. A 5-floor building (12 apartments) is about to be taken over by settlers in the coming days, expanding dramatically the settlers' presence in the heart of the highly crowded neighborhood of Batan Al-Hawa in Silwan. The 12 Palestinian families who lived at the Sarhan building have left their homes recently, and yesterday night the locks of the doors were replaced with new ones, indicating the change of ownership. *Peace Now: This is Hebronization of Jerusalem. Up till now the atmosphere in the neighborhood was tense and violent incidents took place, but this development is making the situation more volatile and bringing it closer to an explosion. The settlements in the heart of Palestinian neighborhoods in East Jerusalem stand against the Israeli interest sending us farther from peace and a two states solution. The Sarhan house is larger than the Beit Yonathan House and can house at least 12 families (potentially more than 50 people). This house is one of the houses which the settlers have taken legal proceedings against recently, demanding its eviction. It is close to the Abu Nab family house and the many more houses under threat of eviction based on the settlers' claim of ownership of the land before 1948 (see more here). Even if the Israeli government claims that it is not involved in this matter, the government can still prevent the entrance of the settlers by not providing police escort to their entrance. It is the responsibility of the authorities to ensure public peace in Jerusalem and prevent any*

escalation, and they have the power to prevent the expansion of the settlement in Silwan. ([Peace Now](#) & SilwanIC 27 August 2015)

### **Israeli Military Orders**

- Israeli Occupation Authorities issued an order to uproot a number of trees planted in 14 dunums of land in Eanun nature reserve, east of Tubas city. (Sama News 27 August 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out orders to 14 Palestinian families to evacuate their houses and land in Ras Al-Hamra area, east of Tubas city, under the claim of “Israeli Military training”.

### **Expansion of settlements**

- Israeli Cabinet Minister Pressing Settlement to Build Yeshiva Without a Permit. Agriculture Minister Uri Ariel trying to accelerate construction of pre-army religious academy in Ma’aleh Efraim, without following zoning protocols. Agriculture Minister Uri Ariel is pressuring the settlement of Ma’aleh Efraim to quickly begin construction on a branch of the pre-army religious academy Bnei David, even though it has no legal permit. Ariel, of the religious Zionist Habayit Hayehudi party, is also the minister responsible for the World Zionist Organization’s settlement department, a major source of funding for the settlements. Bnei David, located in the settlement of Eli, was the first pre-army academy in Israel. Since its establishment in 1988, it has become one of the religious Zionist movement’s most influential institutions. It also runs a regular yeshiva, a program for post-army men and a program for women. Two months ago, Bnei David decided to open a branch in the Jordan Valley settlement of Ma’aleh Efraim, at the urging of Ariel and Ze’ev Hever, secretary general of Amana, the construction arm of the Gush Emunim settlement movement. Ariel and Hever have been striving for years to obtain a foothold in the Jordan Valley, where most of the settlements are secular kibbutzim and moshavim. Ma’aleh Efraim Mayor Shlomo Lalush agreed to let Bnei David open a branch there. But a group of residents opposed the plan, fearing a hostile takeover of the tiny settlement — population 1,100 — that would turn it into a religious community dominated by Bnei David graduates. The town engineer wrote an opinion saying the land allocated to Bnei David was zoned for residential housing, so in order to obtain a building permit Ma’aleh Efraim would need to seek approval from the Civil Administration’s planning committee, which it hadn’t done. Nevertheless, Ariel went to Eli to celebrate the planned opening last month, and the next day, work began at the site. In addition, mobile

homes were set up to serve as dormitories and classrooms. The haste to set up the dormitories is because the 2015-16 state budget includes funds to turn temporary dorms into permanent buildings – an item added at Ariel’s insistence, according to a source in Habayit Hayehudi – and Bnei David hopes to benefit. Ariel responded, “None of this ever happened. The local council is responsible for approving construction, and it’s leading this worthwhile project. I only wish I could claim credit”. Lalush responded, “Nobody pressured me. Regarding the building permits, ask the Civil Administration”. ([Haaretz](#) 27 August 2015)

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