

# **ARIJ Daily Report**

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# Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 05 May 2015

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats occupied Palestinian territory, in the 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 against Palestinian violence 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

- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city, after the IOA put cement blocks on one dunums of Palestinian land threatened of confiscation in the town. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians. (Sama News 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Al-Badhan village, northeast of Nablus city. The IOA erected a sudden checkpoint near the village,

stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (PNN 5 May 2015)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in several areas and neighborhoods in Idhna, Yatta and Hebron cities. (PNN 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched 7 Palestinian houses in Jenin city and Jenin refugee camp, and questioned the residents. The targeted houses are owned by: Hisham Ar-Rakh, Majdi Amjad 'Arqawi, and Nimir Abu Qandel and his four sons (Fida, Yousif, Mohammad and Ahmed. During the operation, the IOA confiscated two ID cards owned by Mahmoud and Ahmed Shilbi. The IOA also, arrested Majdi 'Arqawi and Ayman Rakh. (PNN 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) carried out military trainings at several areas in Ein Shibli village, east of Nablus city. The IOA fired missiles at land. (Al-Quds 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched dozens of Palestinian houses in Rafat village, west of Salfit city, questioned the residents and took photos for the houses. (Maannews 5 May 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ad-Dhuhaisha refugee camp, south of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired rubber bullets, teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians and houses, causing dozens of suffocation cases, and the injury of a Palestinian. (Al-Quds 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a Palestinian house in Ad-Doha town in Bethlehem governorate. The targeted house is owned by Khader Masalmah. (Al-Quds 5 May 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at As-Saf street and Wadi Ma'ale area in Bethlehem city. The IOA fired teargas grenades at Palestinians and houses, causing dozens of suffocation cases. (Al-Quds 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched dozens of Palestinian houses in Beit Jala town, west of Bethlehem city, and took photos for the houses from the inside and outside. (RB2000 5 May 2015)

### Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Khaldoun 'Asida after storming his house in Tell village, southwest of Nablus city. (Pal Info 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ayham Harbi (21 years) after storming commercial store in Einabus village, south of Nablus city. (Pal Info 5 May 2015)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Amjad Mohammad Khalil Abu Amro after raiding and searching his house in Aqraba village, southeast of Nablus city. (Pal Info 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammad Qassem Jawda after storming his in Qabalan village, south of Nablus city. (Pal Info 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians while they were near the border fence, east of An-Nahda neighborhood, east of Rafah city, south of Gaza strip. (Wattan 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 12 Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Birzeit town, north of Ramallah city. Nine of the arrestees were identified as: Bilal Mohammad Yalo, Abed Ar-Rahman Yacoub Ash-Sheikh, Mohammad Najeb Mohammad Hassan Ash-Sheikh, Mohammad Tasir Ghanim, Khalil Nasser Suliman, Fadi Abed Ar-Rahman Washeh, Ahmed Kamal Mhanna, Bassel Ra'fat Jamel, and Amjad Samhan. (PNN 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after storming their houses in Beita village, south of Nablus city. The arrestees were identified as: Odeh Sobeh Hamail and Khaldoun Hamail. (PNN 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammad Faeiz Turkman from Nablus city. (PNN 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammad Hamad Abu Shekha from Hebron city. (PNN 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Salem Abed Khalil Sabah from Bethlehem city after stopping him at Al Karama terminal. (PNN 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ashraf Mohammad Hamad Abu Sheikha after storming and searching his house in Karma village, southwest of Hebron city. (PNN 5 May 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Ali Ra'fat Hamamrah (5 years) from Husan village, west of Hebron city. (RB2000 5 May 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. During the operation, the IOA assaulting Palestinian women while they were in the mosque. Noted that an Israeli court ruled to allow Yahud Galik to enter Al Aqda mosque. (NBPRS & Wattan 5 May 2015)
- Israeli settlers carried out a demonstration at the Israeli Bypass road, south of Nablus city. The demonstration started from Yizhar road junction to Huwara military checkpoint. (Maannews 5 May 2015)

- Israeli settlers hurled stones and empty bottles at a Palestinian house located in Wadi Al Haseen area, east of Hebron city, The targeted house is owned by Kayed Dana. (Wafa 5 May 2015)
- Amar Ahmed (2 years) was killed after an Israeli settler hit him by his vehicle in At-Tur town in Jerusalem city. (Pal Info 5 May 2015)

### Israeli Military Orders

Israeli Court approves demolition of Palestinian village. The high Israeli court on Monday approved a request of the Israeli civil administration to demolish the tents and homes of Khirbet Susiya village near Hebron, leaving 450 people homeless. Nasr al-Nawajaa, a resident of the village, said the court decision was made "under the pretext that there is no infrastructure in the area." The head of the village's local council, Jihad al-Nawajaa, said that the "Israeli occupation wants to displace us from our land to build a park for settlers." "We have been here for over 30 years and will not leave," he added. "We have been repeatedly harassed, and our homes have been destroyed by occupation forces and settlers, but we will not leave." Al-Nawajaa explained that at the end of 2012, "we filed a request for the civil administration through an Israeli organization to approve the outline plan for the northern part of the village, and in December 2013 the Israeli court allowed us to apply for the outline plan for the southern part of the village. "But the civil administration rejected the proposed plans and punished the residents by issuing demolition orders to all buildings in Susiya." (Maannews 5 May 2015)

#### **Erection of Israeli checkpoints**

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected sudden checkpoints at the northern entrance of Hebron city and at the entrances of Halhul and Sair towns in Hebron governorate. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (PNN 5 May 2015)

#### Other

• **Palestinian building permits 'political'.** Approval of building plans for Palestinians in the occupied West Bank is subject to political considerations, Israeli defense officials have acknowledged. The admission came as a landmark court case seeks to challenge Israel's housing policy in Area C, which covers 60 percent of the West Bank but is under full Israeli civil and security control. All building in Area C, whether by Palestinians or Jewish settlers, comes under the

jurisdiction of the Israeli Civil Administration which has full control over all zoning and planning issues. In practice, almost all Palestinian applications for a building permit are rejected, with the Civil Administration granting only a handful of permits. In a written response to AFP regarding the legal case in which a Palestinian village and a coalition of NGOs are seeking to tackle Israel's policy of house demolitions, COGAT -- the defense ministry body to which the Civil Administration belongs -- admitted that planning issues required political approval. "Any construction in Area C, both Palestinian and Israeli, requires the approval of the qualified authorities, according to the law practiced in the region and in accordance with the Interim Agreement," it said, referring to the 1995 Oslo 2 agreement which divided the West Bank into areas A, B and C. "The Civil Administration's planning committee examines and promotes construction plans equitably, dependent on the fact that these plans meet the relevant planning criteria and their promotion is approved by the political echelon," it said, without giving further detail. Experts have long suspected that the Israel's housing policy in Area C is not just a civilian matter but has a political bias. In 2014, the Civil Administration granted just one Palestinian building permit, according to Israeli planning NGO Bimkom. In the same period, Israel carried 493 demolitions, displacing 969 people, UN figures show. Unable to get "legal" permission, Palestinians are faced with either leaving or building illegally. Israel regularly sends bulldozers to demolish hundreds of homes and other structures every year in a move sharply condemned by rights groups and the international community. The legal case, which is currently before the Supreme Court, seeks to return local planning issues to the Palestinians by reviving local and district planning committees which existed before the 1967 Six-Day War and were abolished by military order in 1971. Such a move would provide an answer for the problem of illegal building, and by extension impact on house demolitions, the petitioners say. (AFP 5 May 2015)