



# 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 a Palestinian school in At-Tur town in Jerusalem city, and tried to arrest a Palestinian student. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired stun grenades at Palestinians. (SilwanIC 11 March 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Deir Abu Da'if village, east of Jenin city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians, causing dozens of suffocation cases. (Al-Quds 11 March 2015)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a Palestinian house in Tal Ar-Rumida neighborhood in Hebron city. The targeted house is owned by Imad Abu Shamsiya. (Maannews 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation jeeps and bulldozers staged 150 meters into the eastern part of Al-Maghazi refugee camp in the central of Gaza strip. (Maannews 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers while they were near the border fence, east of Wadi As-Salqa area and Joher Ad-Dik village in the central of Gaza strip. (Maannews 11 March 2015)

### **Israeli Arrests**

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Bayan Safi during clashes that erupted between Palestinians and the IOA near the Israeli Jail of Ofar in Ramallah governorate. (Al-Quds 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Taleb Faez Al-Khateeb and Osama Qassem Ziedat to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Salem military base, after raiding their houses in Faqqu'a village, northeast of Jenin city. (Al-Quds 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Tareq Mohammad Shabita (31 years) from Azzun village, east of Qalqiliya city. (Wafa 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Taha Mohammad Abu Al-Hawa (19 years) while he was near his family house in At-Tur town in Jerusalem city. (SilwanIC 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Zeid Hussen Al-Ja'bari (19 years) after storming his family house in Hebron city. (Pal Today 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after raiding their houses in Halhul town, north of Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Abdalla Khalil Abu Daya (23 years) and Mohammad Jamal Sha'fut (24 years). (Pal Today 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammad Musa Ash-Shalalfah from Tarqumiya village, west of Hebron city. (Pal Today 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested five Palestinian women while they were leaving Al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as: Fatma Kumani, Hanan Abu Isninah, Iman Abu Isninah, Sahar An-Natsha and Zahiya Eid. (SilwanIC 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Nahhalin village, west of Bethlehem city. The arrestees were identified as: Sohaib Ismail Fanun and Abed Al-Halem Qassim Najajrah. (Mawwal 11 March 2015)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in An-Nabi Saleh village, north of Ramallah city. The arrestees were identified as: Iyad Abed Al-Karem At-Tamimi (49 years), Adi Abed Al-Hafid At-Tamimi (24 years), Baha Jalal At-Tamimi (24 years) and Asid Ahmed At-Tamimi (20 years). During the operation, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians. (Maannews 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after raiding and searching their houses in Nablus city. The arrestees were identified as: Ahmed Salah Mir'I Kalbani (32 years) and Mus'ab Muhie Ad-Diyn (23 years). (Maannews 11 March 2015)

### **Israeli Settler Violence**

- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in Wad Al-Qaf area in Surif village, northwest of Hebron city. (Pal Info 11 March 2015)
- Israeli settlers assaulted and injured Musa Hassan Ash-Shawaheen (44 years) from Yatta town, south of Hebron city. (NBPRS 11 March 2015)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Al-Quds 11 March 2015)

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

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) along with the Israeli bulldozers demolish a number of animal sheds in Zabda village, west of Jenin city. The targeted structures are owned by Waleed Abu Kabash. (PNN 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a number of animal sheds and tents in Beit Iksa village, northwest of Jerusalem city. The targeted structures are owned by Abu Daoud Al-Badawi. (Al-Quds 11 March 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and the Israeli bulldozers demolished a 650 square meters an under construction factory in Barta'a Ash-Sharqiya village, west of Jenin city. The targeted structure is owned by Jaber Awad Kabha. (Maannews 11 March 2015)

### **Confiscation & Razing of lands**

- Israeli Occupation bulldozers razed Palestinian land in Um Ar-Rihan village, west of Jenin city. (ARN 11 March 2015)

## Expansion of settlements

- Israeli committee for Planning and construction in the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem approved the construction of 49 housing units, on 2 dunums of land in Ramot settlement in Jerusalem city. (Maannews 11 March 2015)

## Other

- **'Israeli construction in West Bank settlements dropped by 52% in 2014'. When it comes to actual building within West Bank settlements, Netanyahu's track record as prime minister in the past six years has been worse than that of the previous six years.** Housing starts in settlements in 2014 dropped 52 percent compared to the previous year, according to Central Bureau of Statistics figures released Tuesday as the Likud and Bayit Yehudi parties vied for right-wing votes by showcasing their strong support for Judea and Samaria. To help shore up that support ahead of the March 17 election, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu flew by helicopter Tuesday morning to the IDF headquarters in Judea and Samaria, located between the Palestinian city of Ramallah and the Beit El settlement. Outside of preventing a nuclear Iran, Netanyahu said, "an additional thing that is fateful to Israel's future and the security of its citizens is our presence here in Judea and Samaria." As he stood next to Defense Minister Moshe Ya'alon, he issued a modified version of the statement he made earlier in the week, that in the current reality, Israel could not withdraw from territory or make concessions to the Palestinians. "The activity of the IDF and the security services is essential to prevent a takeover by radical elements that would certainly attack Israel and threaten our communities and our people, and would also threaten the Palestinian Authority and take control of the Palestinian public," Netanyahu said. "We will continue to act in a way that would preserve Israel's security and prevent radical Islamic forces from taking over the area," he said. But when it comes to actual building within West Bank settlements, Netanyahu's track record as prime minister in the past six years has been worse than that of the previous six years, when the country was led by Ariel Sharon and then by Ehud Olmert. According to CBS data, housing starts in West Bank settlements were down by 19% when comparing the two periods, from 11,366 units between 2003 and 2008, to 9,216 between 2009 and 2014, during Netanyahu's premiership. This data does not include construction in Jerusalem beyond the pre-1967 lines. Netanyahu's return to office in 2009, after having lost the premiership to Ehud Barak in 1998, started off strong in

West Bank construction, with 1,963 housing starts. But the figure immediately plunged into its worst year in decades when the prime minister issued a 10-month moratorium on housing starts from November 2009 through September 2010. The number of starts remained low until 2013, during the US-led peace process, when ground was broken for 2,829 homes. However, CBS data released Tuesday showed that in 2014, as the peace process fell apart, the number of starts plunged to 1,344, dropping by 52% over the previous year, compared to the countrywide dip of 7.9%. Similarly, Netanyahu's record on the number of finished settler homes showed a 15% drop when compared to the six years before he took office, according to CBS data. From 2009 to 2014, 9,715 homes were finished in West Bank settlements compared with 11,425 homes from 2003 to 2008, according to the CBS. Netanyahu started strong in 2009, with 2,059 finished homes. But those numbers dipped down to 1,270 in 2012 and then surged upward. In 2014, according to CBS data, the 1,580 finished settler homes – compared to 1,454 in 2013 – reflected an 8% hike compared to a 5% rise in the rest of the country. According to a February study by left-wing NGO Peace Now, however, Netanyahu's record on building tenders in West Bank settlements in the last six years was stronger than that of his predecessors. From 2003 to 2008, tenders were issued for 4,530 homes in West Bank settlements, compared to the issuance of 5,711 tenders from 2009 to 2014. The Peace Now study also showed that Netanyahu's record on this matter was much better in his third term, when he issued 3,702 tenders compared to 2009 in his second term. The numbers were particularly high in the third term because Netanyahu linked the issuance of tenders to the three releases of Palestinian prisoners in 2013. Peace Now executive director Yariv Oppenheimer said it was a mistake to focus on whether Netanyahu built more or less than his predecessors or to read too much into the 52% drop in housing starts. The number of new homes in 2013 was unusually high according to the CBS, so clearly there would be a decline, he said. The problem is that Netanyahu's building record is harmful to the peace process and comes at a time when what is needed to end the conflict is a settlement freeze. "Every house in the West Bank has a political meaning and Netanyahu is still far away from freezing settlement activity," Oppenheimer said. The spokesman for Construction Minister Uri Ariel (Bayit Yehudi) said that the CBS data from 2014 did not fully reflect all the steps that he had taken to bolster the settlement enterprise. Ariel, who became construction minister in 2013, marketed 1,100 homes in Judea and Samaria in 2013 and another 2,400 units in 2014. As a result, there should be a jump in new settler homes this year, the spokesman said. Ariel's actions, the spokesman

added, show that only a strong Bayit Yehudi party can ensure the continued growth of Judea and Samaria. ([JPOST](#) 11 March 2015)

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