

ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt

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 ${f T}$ he daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats occupied Palestinian territory, the the in 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.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian houses and agricultural structures at the eastern part of Al-Qarara town, northwest of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (Pal Info 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a Palestinian School in Jabal Al-Mukkabir town, south of Jerusalem city and fired teargas and stun grenades inside the school, causing dozens of suffocation cases among the students and teachers. (Maannews 4 November 2014)

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented Palestinians under the age of 40 years from entering Al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city. As a result, the Palestinians were forced to pray in the streets of the old city of Jerusalem. At the same time, Israeli settlers escorted by the IOA stormed and toured the courtyard of the mosque. (Wafa 4 November 2014)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after raiding their houses in Olive Mount/ At-Tur town in Jerusalem city. (Wafa 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from several areas in Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as: Mohammad Asilah, Abdalla Abu Salb, Hani Ghaith, Raid Zaghiar, Ashraf Ash-Shirbati and two brothers from Al-Baytoni family. (Wafa 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained tens of Palestinians after stopping them at Dotan military checkpoint, south of Yabad town, west of Jenin city. (Wafa 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained and questioned dozens of Palestinians after stopping them at Barta'a Ash-Sharqiya checkpoint, west of Jenin city. (Wafa 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Bara Ibrahim Abu Ghalun (29 years) after storming his house in Bethlehem city. (Wafa 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Abd Al-Hafith Abu Sham'a from Al-Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron city, to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion, after stopping him at a sudden checkpoint erected by the IOA at the entrance of Beit Fajjar village, south of Bethlehem city. (Wafa 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians and summoned Ahmed Mohammad Ayad Awad (17 years) to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion settlement bloc, after raiding and searching their houses in Beit Ummer town, north of Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Nadim Samer Ali Akhalil (22 years) and Khalil Mohammad Salman Sabarnih (19 years). (RB2000 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mujahed Ahmed Al-Azz (21 years) from Jenin refugee camp, after stopping him at Dotan military checkpoint. (RB2000 4 November 2014)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) visited Rachael Tomb, north of Bethlehem city, and performed Talmudic rituals. (Maannews 4 November 2014)
- Ibrahim Hamdan was injured after an Israeli settler hit him by his vehicle while he was at Ar Ras area in Beit Jala town, west of Bethlehem city. (PNN 4 November 2014)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- Israeli Occupation Authorities forced Mohammad Ja'abees to demolish two animal sheds in Jabal Al-Mukkabir town, south of Jerusalem city. (Maannews 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished two Palestinian building each building consist of 2 floors (4 apartments) in Wadi Yasoul neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The targeted buildings are owed by: Issam Abu Sobeh and Khalil Abu Rajab. (SilwanIC 4 November 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished an animal shed in Ein Al-Louza neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The targeted shed is owned by Khalid Az-Zair. (SilwanIC 4 November 2014)

Expansion of settlements

Israel advances plan for 500 settler homes in East Jerusalem. Plans to build homes on private land in haredi neighborhood of Ramat Shlomo have been kept low profile in an apparent bid to avoid friction with Washington. An Israeli government committee on Monday advanced plans for 500 settler homes in East Jerusalem, an official said, in the face of disapproval from the United States at construction beyond the Green Line. The Interior Ministry panel's preliminary approval of the new homes for Ramat Shlomo, a neighborhood built on West Bank territory captured in the 1967 Six-Day War and annexed to Jerusalem in a move not recognized abroad, was kept low profile in an apparent bid to avoid friction with Washington. The plans have been postponed for several years because of low chances they would be approved, but approved in an unscheduled meeting after Netanyahu gave his blessing to construction in the capital. The new housing units will be built on private land that belongs to a haredi group, and will join the construction of some 1,600 other housing units already approved that will be built on Israel Land Authority lands. The 500 new housing units will be built in an area between the haredi Ramat Shlomo neighborhood and the Arab Beit Hanina. This is only the first step in a long series of approvals needed before actual construction can begin

and the process should take years. Still, it is likely to further upset Washington, which has condemned the plans amid rising tensions in the city. A week ago, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu ordered plans for some 600 housing units for Ramat Shlomo and another 400 for Har Homa, another East Jerusalem neighborhood, to be advanced. (<u>Ynetnews</u> 4 November 2014)

Erection of Israeli checkpoints

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected sudden checkpoints at the entrances of Sair, Yatta and Halhul towns in Hebron governorate. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (RB2000 4 November 2014)

Other

Housing Minister: 'No Limits from Any Gentile' on Construction. Construction and Housing Minister Uri Ariel visits Rachel's Tomb, says it is time to build freely for Jews throughout the Land of Israel. Construction and Housing Minister Uri Ariel (Jewish Home) visited Rachel's Tomb Tuesday, and called for the government to build freely for Jews in the Land of Israel. "It is time that there will be full construction, in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, the Negev and Galilee," he said, "without any limitations from any gentile or anyone else, like we learned from previous generations." Ariel used the Hebrew word "goy," which means "gentile" but also "nation," and he could well have been using it in the second sense, or purposely employing a double entendre. Danish Foreign Minister Martin Lidegaard, who arrived on а visit to Israel on Monday, condemned Israel's announcement of new construction in the Ramat Shlomo neighborhood of Jerusalem. According to a report, Lidegaard's condemnation came ahead of a meeting with Israeli Foreign Minister Avigdor Liberman. Later, in a joint conference with Liberman, Lidegaard said that he condemns the construction of the housing units because it "hinder(s) negotiations and the two-state solution." The Committee for Planning and Building in Jerusalem officially approved the construction of 400 housing units in Ramat Shlomo in Jerusalem Monday, just one week after Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu officially approved over 1,000 housing units in that neighborhood and in Har Homa that have been slated for construction since as far back as 2010. The move is sure to draw international criticism, as similar moves

have been met so far with threats and ire from <u>the UN</u>, <u>EU</u>, <u>and</u> <u>US</u>. (<u>Israeli National News</u> 4 November 2014)