



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 25 May 2014

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) attacked a non-violent protest to support Palestinian prisoners in the Israeli Jails, near Al-Fawar refugee camp, south of Hebron city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians, causing dozens of suffocation cases. (ARN 25 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al-Jalazoun refugee camp, north of Ramallah city. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired live and rubber bullets and teargas and stun

grenades, causing the injury of Mohammad Ali Safi (19 years), the IOA arrested him after he was injured. (Wattan 25 May 2014)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) tightened its procedures at Za'tara military checkpoint, south of Nablus city. (Wafa 25 May 2014)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ein Al-Louza neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The IOA fired stun grenades at Palestinians and houses. (SilwanIC 25 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided a non-violent protest to support Palestinian prisoners in the Israeli Jails, in Jerusalem city. The IOA assaulted participants and injured 2 people. The IOA arrested Fadi Dahir and Kaiyd Al-Rajabi. (SilwanIC 25 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) intensified its presence at several areas in Jerusalem city. The IOA closed several Streets, and occupied the roofs of houses in the city. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired rubber bullets, teargas and stun grenades. During the clashes, the IOA arrested Raid Al-Amouri, Anas Al-Imam, Ali Abu Gharbiya and Ihab Abu Gharbiya from As-Sawana neighborhood. (SilwanIC 25 May 2014)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mahir Al-Qanbar after storming his house in Al-Wad Street in the old city of Jerusalem. (Wafa 25 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian children from Beit Ummer town, north of Hebron city, while they were working in their family land near Karmi Zur settlement. The arrestees were identified as: Mohammad Mahiar Awad (16 years) and Abeda Nabil Abu Ayash (16 years). The IOA transferred the arrestees to unknown location. (Wafa 25 May 2014)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Ahmed Abu Tama'a (27 years) from Al-Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron city, was injured after an Israeli settler opened fire at him while he was at the entrance of the camp. (Safa 25 May 2014)
- Israeli settlers let go a number of wild pigs at agricultural land planted with Apricot and Apple trees in Salfit city, dozens of trees were destroyed, and a retaining wall was demolished. (Wattan 25 May 2014)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

- Israeli Occupation bulldozers razed Palestinian land in Dhahir Sobh area, north of Kefr Ad-Dik village, west of Salfit city. The Israeli Occupation Authorities claimed that the targeted area (3000 dunums) is a close military zone and was classified by the IOA as "State land".(Wafa 25 May 2014)

Other

- Bennett 'wholly in favor if unilateral Israeli action' in the occupied West Bank. The recent collapse of peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians, in light of the Palestinian Authority's plan to establish a joint government with Hamas, has prompted the Israeli political echelon to formulate various alternatives to a negotiated peace agreement. After Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu hinted in an interview with Bloomberg View on Friday that in the absence of active peace talks he might consider taking unilateral steps in Judea and Samaria, including, according to interviewer Jeffrey Goldberg, the evacuation of Jewish settlements, the responses did not lag far behind. U.S. State Department Deputy Spokesperson Marie Harf voiced the U.S.'s opposition to such moves, saying Friday that "no one should take any steps that undermine trust, including unilateral actions." On the other hand, while Netanyahu's comments were vague and did not specifically imply annexation of Jewish settlements to Israel, Economy and Trade Minister Naftali Bennett, a known proponent of annexation, was quick to come out in support of Netanyahu's remarks. "I am hearing more and more talk about 'unilateral Israeli action,' and I am wholly in favor," Bennett wrote on his Facebook page. "We [Habayit Hayehudi] are pushing for the unilateral application of Israeli law on Gush Etzion, the Jordan Valley, Maale Adumim, Ofra, Alfei Menashe, the area enveloping Ben-Gurion Airport, Samaria, Judea and all the Jewish settlements. I will continue to push with all my power for this to happen, and it will happen." Bennett justified doing this by saying that the "age of negotiations is over. They [the Palestinians] are taking unilateral action by signing U.N. treaties and inciting to violence, and now it is our turn. It is time to take the initiative and do what is best for Israel." Bennett's comments sparked the ire of Justice Minister and chief Israeli peace negotiator Tzipi Livni, who argued that in the absence of a peace agreement, which she still hopes can be reached, Israel would have to consider unilateral moves, but certainly not the ones that Bennett suggested. A plan like that cannot and will not happen," Livni said in an interview with Channel 2 news on Friday. "It will remain a dead letter plan on Facebook. Bennett is trying to take Israel in the dangerous direction of becoming a binational state, and clearly he

would be thrilled if I was to quit the coalition." ([Israel Hayom](#) 25 May 2014)

- 75% of the Palestinian population in occupied East Jerusalem lives below poverty line due to occupation's procedures, while the percentage rises to 82% among children, Israeli right organization revealed Sunday. According to the report issued by the Israeli Association for Civil Rights, more than 100 thousand Palestinian citizens living behind the separation barrier are subject to administration of Jerusalem municipality. The municipality doesn't provide the residents with suitable services. The report also indicated that the rate of the organized crimes has reached to high levels due to the absence of the Israeli police in the area. It pointed out that Israeli occupation prohibits the construction in 35% of the areas east of occupied Jerusalem under the pretext of being a natural reserve, while the Palestinian inhabitation suffers lack of housing units. The Israeli occupation also practices the policy of house demolition and confiscates Palestinian lands for the sake of building Israeli settlements. ([Alray](#) 25 May 2014)