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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) invaded and searched tens of Palestinian houses in Budrus village, northwest of Ramallah city, and questioned the residents. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA. (Safa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a number of commercial stores and houses in Wadi Al Hariya neighborhood in Hebron city, and seized all the machines and equipment from a Lathe owned by Abu Shakhim. (Wafa 23 August 2016)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched the northern part of Yabad town, west of Jenin city, and fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians. During the operation, the IOA closed all the entrances of the town. (Safa 23 August 2016)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Iraq Burin village, south of Nablus city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases. (RB2000 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and closed four lathes in several areas in Bethlehem city, and confiscated all the machines and equipment. The targeted lathes are owned by: Ismail Al Hanash, Johny Anstas, George Danho and Atiq family. During the operation, Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA. (RB2000 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and closed a lathe in the industrial area in Ad Doha town, south of Bethlehem city, and seized all the machines. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired live bullets and teargas grenades, causing the injury of 5 Palestinians. (Al-Quds & RB2000 23 August 2016)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Azza refugee camp, north of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired rubber bullets, causing the injury of a Palestinian. (Al-Quds 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and toured in several areas in Beit Jala town, west of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinian houses and commercial stores. (Al-Quds 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at Qaber Hilwa area at the eastern entrance of Beit Sahour town, east of Bethlehem city. (Al-Quds 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched tens of Palestinian houses in Khirbet Az Za'iam and Az Zawiya, southeast of Yatta town, south of Hebron city. (Wafa 23 August 2016)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Fahma village, south of Jenin city. The IOA fired teargas grenades and rubber bullets, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Wafa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed 'Arraba village in Jenin governorate, and fired teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses. During the operation, the IOA erected a military checkpoint at the entrance of the village, stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Wafa 23 August 2016)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammad Abed Ar Ra'ouf Mahmoud after storming his family house in Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city. (Wafa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mutaz Bader after raiding and searching his house in Abu Dis town, east of Jerusalem city. (Wafa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mujahed Fathi Raja Khateb after raiding and searching his house in Qaffin village, north of Tulkarm city. The IOA transferred the arrestee to known location. (Wafa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Bassam Suliman At Tall after storming his house in Ad Dhahiriya town, south of Hebron city. (Wafa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Salem Yousif Al Rjoub after raiding his house in Dura town, southwest of Hebron city. (Wafa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested five Palestinians after storming their house in Azzun village, east of Qalqiliyah city. The arrestees were identified as: Baha Hussen Shabitah (24 years), Bara' Qaher Aziz Abu Haniya (18 years), Issam Jum'a Yassen, Mu'men Abu Haniya and Ihab Wasfi Ali Hussen. (Safa & Wafa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Al Mazra'a Ash Sharqiya village, northeast of Ramallah city. The arrestees were identified as: Basam Sobhi Dar Sa'd (20 years) and Mustafh Ahmed 'Aliyan (22 years). (Wafa 23 August 2016)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Pal Today 23 August 2016)
- Israeli settlers stormed Joseph tomb, east of Nablus city. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli settlers. (Pal Today 23 August 2016)

Expansion of settlements

- Israeli court approved the construction plan of "Beit Haliba" structure, which located 100 meters away to the west of Al-Aqsa Mosque compound. It is worth recalling that the structure is planned to cover

about 3,700 square meters and consist of three stories above ground level and one and a half stories below ground level. (Wafa & Al Ayyam 23 August 2016)

Erection of Israeli checkpoints

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint at the eastern entrance of An Nabi Saleh village, north of Ramallah city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles, and questioned Palestinians and checked their ID cards. (Safa 23 August 2016)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint at the entrance of Idhna town, west of Hebron city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Wafa 23 August 2016)

Israeli Closures

- IDF Roadblocks Disrupting Daily Life in West Bank Village. NGO claims that two of the three entrances to Hizma have been blocked, but army insists that only one is closed. Two of the three entrances to the Palestinian village of Hizma have been blocked by the Israel Defense Forces for the last month, even though the army insists it has only blocked one of the three. The roadblocks have seriously disrupted the freedom of movement of the residents and are also hurting businesses in the West Bank village. Consequently, Hamoked: Center for the Defense of the Individual has asked the Israel Defense Forces to remove the roadblocks. In a response sent to Hamoked last week, Capt. Benny Weinstock of the army's legal department wrote that because rocks and firebombs have been thrown from Hizma at Route 60, a major north-south artery, the army blocked one of the village's access roads "to help the security forces deal with the attackers and their activity". At the other entrances, soldiers check vehicles "from time to time," but they aren't permanently closed, he said. He also stressed that the rocks and firebombs endanger everyone who uses Route 60 – "the security forces and Israeli and Palestinian civilians alike". In reality, however, the IDF has placed concrete barriers at two of the village's three entrances – the southern one and the eastern one. The concrete blocks don't stop foot traffic, but they do stop vehicles. Nevertheless, the army insists that the eastern entrance is only closed "from time to time". Attorney Yadin Elam of Hamoked charged that the army's response bears no relationship to reality. In a letter sent Monday to the head of the IDF's Central Command, Maj. Gen. Roni Numa, Elam wrote, "There's no connection between the goal of

reducing incidences of stone-throwing from the town and the chosen means – blocking two of the three entrances to the village. These blockages are meant to punish the town’s 8,000 residents, the vast majority of whom have no connection to the stone-throwing incidents”. The IDF Spokesperson’s Unit told Haaretz that Elam’s letter was received on Monday, and that the army will look into it and “respond to him directly”. ([Haaretz](#) 23 August 2016)

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