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.

Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinians and their homes in Khuza’a town east of Khan Younis city south of the Gaza Strip. No injuries were reported. Wafa (07 January 2017).

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Alaa Ad Duweiri during a protest against the construction of a new Israeli bypass road
on lands of Izbat At Tabib, Azzun and An Nabi Elias village in Qalqilyia Governorate in the occupied West Bank. The IOA also imposed a closure on Izbat At Tabib village and detained a number of protestors. (WAFA 07 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Muhammad Mahmoud Issa Abu ‘Arram (21 YEARS) from Yatta town south Hebron city while he was near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron, and took him to unknown destination. (WAFA 07 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Amin Ali Musa Manasrah from Bani Na‘im village east of Hebron city after raiding his house and the house of his brother, searching them and messing with contents. The IOA took citizen Manasrah (49 Years) to unknown destination. (WAFA 07 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Silat Al Harthiyah, Kafr Dan, Tiniik and Al Yamoun villages in Jenin Governorate and carried out thorough search in the aforementioned villages. No arrests were reported. (WAFA 07 January 2017)

Other

- Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s promise to settlers from the unauthorized outpost of Amona to enforce the law “equally” by demolishing the homes of Arabs is being strictly fulfilled. The number of Palestinian buildings demolished in the first week of January 2017 is almost four times as high as the weekly average for 2016: 20 structures. In Area C, which is under full Israeli civil and security control, between Monday and Thursday the Israel Defense Forces’ Civil Administration demolished 65 structures in Palestinian communities, and seven rainwater cisterns. The Jerusalem Municipality demolished another two homes in East Jerusalem. Some 151 people, including 90 children, lived in the buildings that were demolished. On January 2, 2017, the day on which the Knesset Constitution, Law and Justice Committee discussed a proposal to annex the city of Ma‘aleh Adumim (east of Jerusalem) to Israel, the Civil Administration and IDF forces demolished 12 tin and wood shacks – including eight used for living purposes – in two Bedouin communities from the Jahalin tribe south of the settlement; three shacks in Bir al-Maskub; and nine in Wadi Sneyssel. In total, 84 people, 68 of whom are children, lost the roofs over their heads within just a few hours. On January 3, 2017, the Civil Administration demolished 49 structures in Khirbet Tana in the northwestern part of the Jordan Valley: 13 residential structures, 9 portable toilets and the rest various agricultural buildings. Twenty-eight adults and 22 children lost their homes because of the
demolitions. Another 71 people were affected by the destruction of the agricultural structures. Sheep grazing in the Palestinian village of Khirbet Tana, where the IDF demolished 49 structures on January 3, 2017. Some 40 families (250 men and women) live in this ancient village of caves, east of the village of Beit Furik. In four previous raids last year, the Civil Administration demolished 150 shacks, sheep pens, tents and various sanitary structures – as well as a school that had been built thanks to European contributions. During the raid on the same day, a work stoppage order was also presented for the new school, which is again being constructed with European donations. The High Court of Justice had dismissed a petition of the residents of Khirbet Tana against the order to permanently evacuate their homes, but the residents have built simple new dwellings and a school because they refuse to leave the village where their families lived long before 1948, and before the IDF declared the area a firing zone. On January 4, 2017, a large army force raided the lands of the village of Tekoa, southeast of Bethlehem. Here, the Civil Administration bulldozers demolished seven rainwater cisterns and another three sheds used for agricultural purposes. On January 5, 2017, the Civil Administration demolished an agricultural structure in the village of Jinsafut, east of Qalqilyah in the West Bank. (Haaretz 07 January 2017)