



# ARIJ Daily Report

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 5 February 2017

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

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) Opened fire towards Palestinian fishermen and farmers with no injuries reported in either incident. Israeli military vehicles stationed near the Sufa military post east of the southern Gaza Strip city of Rafah fired with heavy machine guns towards Palestinian farmers who were tending their crops in the area, eyewitnesses said. (Maannews 5 February 2017)

- In the northwestern Gaza Strip, Israeli navy ships fired at Palestinian fishermen off the coast of Beit Lahiya, forcing them to sail back to shore. (Maannews 5 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided At Tayba village west of Jenin city, stormed a number of Palestinian shops in the village and questioned shop owners. The IOA detained a number of Palestinians in the area for few hours, checked their ID cards and questioned them. (Wafa 5 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Rummana and Anin villages west of Jenin. No clashes or arrests were reported. (Wafa 5 February 2017)

## Israeli Arrests

- An Israeli military court at Ofer detention center in the central occupied West Bank sentenced a Palestinian woman from Hebron to 20 months in prison and a fine of 6,000 shekels (\$1,600), after she was accused of planning to carry out a stab attack. The 29-year-old Abir Tamimi was detained on Dec. 22, 2015. (Maannews 5 February 2017)
- An Israeli court sentenced a teenage Palestinian girl from Silwan in occupied East Jerusalem to six years in prison after she was charged with knife possession and planning a stab attack. The Jerusalem magistrate court formally sentenced Manar Majdi Shweiki to six years in prison after the girl had already spent more than a year in detention, highlighting that the court postponed the sentencing twice since the beginning of 2017. Israeli police detained her on Dec. 6, 2015 in the Wadi Hilweh area of the Silwan, claiming they found a knife in her bag after searching her belongings, though it was unclear what had prompted the search in the first place.. (Maannews 5 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained in predawn military raid three Palestinians from Al Khader village in the southern Bethlehem Governorate and were identified as Muhammad Rashad Issa, his brother Ahmad, and Qusay Issa. (Maannews 5 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Ahmad Ibrahim al-Umour, 19, from the village of Tuqu in the southern Bethlehem Governorate. (Maannews 5 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 16-year-old Muhammad Raed Hamamra from Husan village west of Bethlehem City. (Maannews 5 February 2017)
- Another Palestinian was detained by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in the central occupied West Bank village of Deir Nidham in the Ramallah Governorate.

- Two Palestinians were detained by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Hebron in the southern West Bank. (Maannews 5 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Abd al-Samad Shawahna from his workplace in the Israeli city of Ashkelon for lacking a work permit to enter Israel. Shawahna was a resident of Silat al-Harithiya village in the northernmost West Bank Governorate of Jenin. (Maannews 5 February 2017)

### **Israeli Settler Violence**

- A Palestinian man sustained bruises after dozens of Israeli settlers raided the village of Huwwara south of Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank and hurled stones at his vehicle. The settlers came from the illegal Yitzhar settlement and stormed the western neighborhood of Huwwara and threw stones at Salim Saleme's car. The settlers also started to attack Palestinian homes in the neighborhood, but residents fought them back and forced them to leave the area. (Maannews 5 February 2017)
- Several Israeli settlers, living in outposts illegally established on Palestinian lands in the Jordan valley, attacked Palestinian Shepherds, and forced them out of grazing lands. The settlers attacked many shepherds, and chased them out of Palestinian grazing lands. The attack was part of repeated violations that escalated, several months ago, after the settlers installed tents, creating illegal outposts, in Khirbit Mzoqah and KHALLET Ahmad areas. (PNN 5 February 2017)
- Israeli settlers resumed their provocative incursions to Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem city through Bab Al Magharba under the cover of the Israeli security Police. (Wafa 5 February 2017)

### **Israeli Closures**

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed two agricultural roads with earth-mounds in Al Thaghra area, near Neve Danile settlement in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city. The closure of the road will obstruct the access of Palestinians to their lands near the settlement. (Wafa 5 February 2017)

### **The Israeli Segregation Wall**

## Other

- 'Securing Jerusalem - by annexing Maaleh Adumim': With preparations underway for the celebrations of the 50th anniversary of the liberation of all of Jerusalem, lawmakers and supporters of a united Jerusalem toured the greater Jerusalem metropolitan area to see firsthand the threats to Israeli sovereignty over the capital, the challenges to maintaining unity in the city, and some possible solutions. Haim Silverstein, founder and president of the Keep Jerusalem organization which organized the tour, described the efforts to undermine Israeli control of the holy city. "Jerusalem faces major challenges today - demographic challenges, when 40% of its population is Arab - non-Jews. There's massive illegal building taking place," said Silverstein. "There's an Arab effort going on to try and take over Jerusalem demographically, and we need to find urgent solutions to these problems." One possible solution for the demographic threat, suggested Deputy Foreign Minister Tzipi Hotovely (Likud), is annexation of the greater Jerusalem area, bringing nearby Jewish towns in Judea and Samaria under Israeli sovereignty – and under Jerusalem municipal control. "It's very important this year to develop people's awareness of the danger of dividing the city into two cities," said Hotovely. "This is important to provide a broader picture of the metropolitan Jerusalem [area] that puts together Gush Etzion, Maaleh Adumim, Givat Zeev, and Beitar Illit as part of the Jerusalem municipality." ([INN](#) 5 February 2017)