



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 9 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.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) escorted by Israeli intelligence officials, raided and searched the house of Amin Siyam in the neighborhood of Silwan in occupied East Jerusalem. The IOA also imposed a complete closure on the neighborhood's street, causing traffic jams in the area, according to the center. (Maannews 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted five Palestinians during the raid and detained them. They were identified as Jawad Siyam, the

head of Wadi Hilweh Center, Muhammad Siyam, Omar Siyam, Diyaa Baydoun, and Hilal Qaraain. The IOA also summoned Majd Ghaith, an employee at the center, for interrogation with Israeli intelligence, and questioned several employees during the raid. (Maannews 9 February 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhamad Ibrahim Al 'Imour (23 Years) from Tequ village east of Bethlehem city after rading his family house and searching it. (RB2000 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Mahmoud Ibrahim Ar Rafati from Bethlehem city for interrogation at the Gush Etzion detention center after raiding his house and searching it. (RB2000 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Dozan Print Shop in Bethlehem city and searched it. (RB2000 9 February 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli soldiers invaded Ya'bad village southwest of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, violently searched homes, and distributed leaflets threatening severe measures and punishment. The soldiers invaded many neighborhoods in the town, before storming and searching several homes. The soldiers interrogated many Palestinians in their homes, including the families of two detainees identified as Qais 'Amarna and Ahmad Turkman, in addition to the homes of Yacoub Taher, Awad Herzallah and Hazem Jalal Hamdan. Furthermore, the soldiers interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cars, and distributed leaflets on the residents, threatening harsh measures and punishment against the entire village "should youngsters continue to hurl stones at army vehicles and settlers' cars, driving nearby.(IMEMC 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli air force fired several missiles targeting a siege-busting commercial tunnel close to the Egyptian border, in Rafah, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip, killing two Palestinian workers, and wounding at least five others. The two killed Palestinians have been identified as Husam Hameed Soufi, 24, from Rafah, and Mohammad Anwar al-Aqra', 38, from Gaza city. Five Palestinians were injured in the strike, some of them suffered moderate-severe wounds. (IMEMC 9 February 2017)
- Israeli navy ships opened fire targeting several Palestinian fishing boats, in Gaza territorial waters, in the northern part of the besieged coastal region. Israeli soldiers also fired live rounds at homes and lands. The soldiers stationed across the border fence, in northern Gaza, fired dozens of live rounds at homes, and agricultural lands, causing property damage. The soldiers also fired many flares over the area, but did not conduct a military invasion. (IMEMC 9 February 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) violently detained a Palestinian minor off the street in broad in Aida refugee camp in in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. The IOA raided the camp in the afternoon and violently detained a boy in the street as he was walking home from school. The detainee was identified as Ali Afana (13 Years) and he was beaten by soldiers inside the vehicle. (Maannews 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Rani Abu Aker from Ad Duehisha Refugee camp in Bethlehem Governorate. (Wafa 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Saed Saleem Amarnah from Aida Refugee camp in Bethlehem Governorate. (Wafa 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at the house of Ahmad Amer in Aida Refugee camp in Bethlehem Governorate resulting in the bombing of the water tank on top of his house. (Wafa 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the town of Yatta in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron before dawn and searched several houses and detaining brothers Said and Hassan Jibril Murr. (Maannews 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the Khillet al-Ein area in Beit Ummar north of Hebron, searched Taha Muhammad Ahmad Abu Maria's house and detained his 16-year-old son Wassim. (Maannews 9 February 2017)
- In the Governorate of Bethlehem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Husan and detained Hassan Ali Hamamra and Muhammad Samih Hamamra after searching their houses. (Maannews 9 February 2017)
- In Beit Fajjar south of Bethlehem, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained former prisoner Jihad Ahmad Thawabta as well as Fadi Fayez Taqatqa. (Maannews 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 32-year-old Muhannad Sufian Zaki Matar after raiding his house in Thinnaba village in Tulkarem Governorate. (Maannews 9 February 2017)
- An Israeli magistrate court in Jerusalem sentenced a Palestinian teenager to 15 years in prison for his alleged involvement in a stabbing attack . The court also ordered that Anas al-Aqraa, 19, pay 15,000 shekels (\$4,000) in compensation. (Maannews 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Kafr Aqab town north of Jerusalem city after raiding their homes and

searching them. The detainees were identified as Sami Disi and Muhammad Disi. (RB2000 9 February 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhamamd Yacoub Saydawi (14 Years) from Ar Ram Town north of Jerusalem city. (RB2000 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ahmad Odah al-Qadi, 50, and his son, Mustafa, from their home in Mazare' Nobani village in Ramallah Governorate after interrogating them and searching the property. (IMEMC 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested invaded and searched homes in the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron, and abducted two Palestinians, identified as Mohammad Kamel Eqteil and Nafeth Shawamra. (IMEMC 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested invaded and searched homes in Shweika area, in the northern West Bank Governorate of Tulkarem, and abducted Abdul-Salaam Mustafa Badawi, 40. (IMEMC 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ahmad Fayeza Sa'adi from Jenin refugee camp, in the northern West Bank Governorate of Jenin, after the soldiers invaded and searched several homes. (IMEMC 9 February 2017)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers uprooted around 400 Olive seedlings that were recently planted in Ash Shaghaf area near Sde Boaz outpost in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city. The trees were planted in the land owned by Ali Ahmad Issa. (RB2000 9 February 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Awarta village southeast of Nablus city and carried out Talmudic rituals at religious sites in the village. This is the third time in a week that settlers raid the religious sites in Awarta village. (SAFA 9 February 2017)

Israeli Military Orders

- The Israeli Occupation authorities (IOA) delivered evacuation notices in the villages of Deir Istiya and Deir Ballut in the western part of the occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit. The IOA delivered evacuation notices to Muqbil Awad and Abd al-Aziz Aqil from the

village of Deir Istiya. The orders said they must vacate their lands, which are now part of an Israeli nature reserve.

- The Israeli Occupation authorities (IOA) delivered an evacuation notice in the village of Deir Ballut, demanding that a local owner close their livestock barrack after claiming that the structure was built in Area C . The barracks had been open for at least four years.

Expansion of settlements

- The Israeli municipality approved the construction of 181 new settlement units in occupied Jerusalem. the local Planning and Building Committee of the municipality ratified a plan to build 181 settlement units in Gilo settlement, south of Jerusalem, and Ramat Shlomo, north of the city. (PNN 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli committee, in charge of settlements' affairs at the Higher Planning Council of the military-run "Civil Administration Office" in the occupied West Bank, has approved the construction of 1162 new units for illegal colonists. Among the approved buildings is what was dubbed as "a new neighborhood," near Shvut Rachel illegal colony, built on private Palestinian lands, in the northern part of the West Bank. Some of the constructions are meant to house colonists who lived in the recently evacuated "Amona" outpost, while the settlers are still rejecting the plan and are demanding to rebuild their illegal outpost. Yet, the Israeli government decided to go ahead with its plan to build the "neighborhood," to house them, and many new colonists. (PALINFO 9 February 2017)
- The Israeli settlement subcommittee – the Supreme Planning Council is promoting the approval of 14 building Plans that will include the construction of 1,380 new settlement units in Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank. Most plans, in their various stages, have been approved, including the establishment of the new neighborhood that is intended shelter evacuees of Amona outpost. Out of 1,380 units, the subcommittee has approved 1,162 housing units. In view of the fact that the planned neighborhood doesn't come under the jurisdiction of the Shilo settlement, an amendment is to be made to include the area on which the new neighborhood is planned to be constructed the final approval of the plan, which includes 98 units. Other building plans were also approved such as Mezadot Yehuda (101 housing units), 48 units were approved in Nofim settlement, 212 units in Oranit settlement, 10 units in Beit Arye settlement, 42 units in Alfei Menashe settlement, 323 units in Kfar Adumim settlement, 84 Units in Nekodim settlement and 82 Units in Givat Ze'ev settlement. By contrast, plans

were approved in Efrat with 32 housing units to be built, and 70 units in Beitar Illit settlement, and 60 new units in Shavei Shomron and the new neighborhood in Shvut Rachel - 98 units for validation. ([WALLA](#) 9 February 2017)

Other

- New data procured by the Yesha Council demonstrates 421,400 Israeli residents living in Judea, Samaria, and the Jordan Valley at the end of 2016. Analysis of recent year's data shows that in the local population's annual growth in 2016 was 3.9% per year, while in the last decade the average annual growth was recorded at 4.7% per year, more than twice the average increase in Israel, which stands at 1.9% per annum. The increase in 2016 (3.9%) linked to the increase in 2015 (4.0%), but a check of the data in percentages from the last decade reveals that despite the moderate increase in growth of the number of persons per year (15,700 a year), there is a downward trend in the percentage of annual growth (from 4.7% in 2012). According to the above data, despite the growth in numbers, the population of Judea, Samaria, and the Jordan Valley cannot maintain a matching annual growth trend, such that although each year sees an increase in the number of persons per given area (due to natural growth and migration), there is a decrease in overall annual growth, which is probably in consequence of the construction and planning moratorium of recent years. (INN 9 February 2017)