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#### Bethlehem

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) accompanying employees of the Israeli Civil Administration raided Al Hadaf Area in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city and notified citizen Ibrahim Suleiman Muhammad Sbeih to halt the construction of a water well which he lately built under the pretext of unlicensed building. The IOA also took over a vehicle which was transferring construction materials for the construction of the water well. (Wafa 1 January 2017).
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and employees of the Israeli Civil Administration (ICA) raided Wadi Ash Shami area in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city and notified farmer Issa Muhamamd Darwish Salah to halt the construction of an agricultural room he has been building under the pretext of unlicensed building. (Wafa 2 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) started sieging lands with barbed wires and placing iron gates near Efrata settlement southwest of Bethlehem city. The IOA placed a one kilometer long barbed wires on lands of citizen Musa Ziyada near Efrata settlement and hindered him from accessing his land, causing the isolation of around 1000 dunums of Palestinian lands nearby. (NBPRS 2 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Beit Fajjar village south of Bethlehem city and arrested six Palestinian citizens. The arrested Palestinians were identified as: Muhamamd Ahmad Taqatqa (17 Years), Bilal Shaher Dereyeh (16 Years), Muhamamd Waleed Thawabtah (17 Years), Usama Abed Rabbo Thawabta (16 Years), Nour Ad Din Naser Thawabta (15 Years) and Khaled Muhammad Taqatqa (16 Years). (Wafa 3 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Marah Rabah village south of Bethlehem city and arrested Ibrahim Yousif Ash Sheikh (28 Years) after raiding his house and searching it. (Wafa 3 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Ayda refugee Camp north of Bethlehem city and arrested Muhamamd Ahmad Jado (17 Years). (Wafa 3 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) notified Palestinian Farmers from Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city to halt the construction of their water wells in Wadi Al Walajiya and Wadi Ashami areas under the pretext of unlicensed building. The orders targeted 6 water wells in the two aforementioned areas which belong to Ahmad Huseein Abu Surra, Imad Ahmad Da'dou, Ibrahim Daoud Hussein Musa, Imad Ahmad Salah, Muhammad Khalil Salah and Ibrahim Suleiman Sbeih. (Wafa 4 January 2017)
- The Israeli Civil Administration demolished five tents (animal pins) and eight water reservoirs under the pretext of being constructed without legal permits in the village of Tequ east of Bethlehem city. The two barracks are owned by Daoud Jibril and Hafeth Ibrahim Al Urouj; while the demolished water wells are owned by Al Imour, Jibril and Al Urouj families in the village. The demolition was carried out in response to a petition by the Israeli Regavim movement last November. Over the past year the movement submitted two petitions to the Israeli High Court against illegal construction in the Tekoa region - one regarding an illegal road paved using international funding connecting the Arab villages near Tequ to the Dead Sea and paved by the Palestinian National Authority. The second petition was submitted in November 2016 and referred to "illegal" construction near the aforementioned road with the intention of turning it into an inhabited area. (Wafa & [INN](#) 04 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned a female Palestinian citizen from Ayda refugee camp north of Bethlehem Governorate to see the Israeli intelligence at the Gush Etzion area after raiding her family house and searching it. The summoned Palestinian was identified as: Yasmeeen Abdel Rahman Abu Srouer (20 Years). (Wafa 4 January 2017)
- In Tequ village east of Bethlehem city, three Palestinians were injured with rubber-coated bullets and many suffered gas Inhalation during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in the village. Clashes erupted at the western entrance of the village. (Wafa 06 January 2017).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) notified 9 Palestinian homes in Area "A" in Wad Abu Al Hummos east of Bethlehem city to halt the

construction of their homes under the pretext of unlicensed building. The homes are located in close proximity of Mazmuryia crossing and are owned by: Muhamamd Abu Teir, Ahmad Abu Hadwan, Ula Amira, Ja'afar Abu Ahmad, Muhammad Al Atrash, Ali Hamada, Ashraf Hamoud, Ra'fat Shqeir and Muhammad Dabash. (Wafa 08 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated records of Surveillance cameras of Abdeen Gas Station in Dar Salah village east of Bethlehem city. The IOA also raided a number of Palestinian homes nearby. (Wafa 08 January 2017).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Sameer Mahmoud Muhammad Musa (36 years) from Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city after raiding his house and searching it. (SHASHA 10 January 2017)
- In the village of Marah Rabah, south of Bethlehem city, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) broke into a stone factory and seized records from surveillance cameras. The factory belongs to Muhammad Abd al-Nabi al-Daqqaq. (Maannews 11 January 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ayda Refugee camp after raiding the camp and fire tear-gas and sound bombs at Palestinians. (SAFA 11 January 2017)
- In Tequ village southeast of Bethlehem city, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) carried out multiple predawn detention raids and detained 12 young men and teenagers. The IOA stormed the town and ransacked several homes before they detained Luay Habis al-Umour, 18, Abdullah Yousif al-Umour, 17, Ammar Yasser al-Umour, 18, Mamoon Salim Sabbah, 19, Qusay Muhamad al-Umour, 19, Sufian Atallah al-Umour, 22, Sami Ali Sabbah, 22, Mousa Khalil al-Umour, 24, Suleiman Khalid al-Umour, 20, Baraa Raed al-Umour, 20, Muayyad Muhammad Hajahja, 20, and Khalil Imad al-Umour, 21. (Maannews 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) released two Palestinian children from the village of al-Khader in western Bethlehem in the occupied West Bank after detaining them earlier in the day, and allegedly assaulting one of them. The IOA released Muhammad Salah, 12, and Issa Salah, 10, after holding them both for three hours. (Maannews 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) delivered a halt-of-construction order to a water reservoir and an agricultural barracks in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city. Both properties are located in Wad Al Byar area and are owned by citizen Abdullah Ahamd Issa(WAFA 11 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army arrested Isma'il Hamareh (21 Years) from Husan village after raiding his house and searching it. (Safa 12 January 2017).
- For the second day on row, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) continues to impose closure on Husan village west of Bethlehem city and the erection of military checkpoints at the village's main entrances/exits. Access to and exit from the village was only limited to village residents. The IOA also raided Palestinian homes in the village, chased Palestinian youth and arrested Isma'eil Abdel Majeed Hmamrah (21 years) after raiding his family home. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed with earth mounds and cement blocks the road leading to Wad Al Hummus village east of Bethlehem city. The IOA gave no justification to the latest closure. Earlier in years, village residents obtained a court order to open a road for them as an alternative to the road that was closed due to the construction of the Israeli Segregation Wall. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- Around 50 Israeli settlers raided Solomon's pools via the Um Hamdin Mountain under the protection of the Israeli occupation Army in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city and carried out Talmudic rituals. (Wafa 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) accompanied by members of the Israeli Civil Administration raided Khamlet An Nahla area in Wad Rahhal village south of Bethlehem city and delivered three halt of construction orders to two homes and an agricultural barracks in the area under the pretext of unlicensed building. (Wafa 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned two Palestinians from from Bethlehem Governorate for interrogation in the Gush Etzion settlement bloc. after raiding their homes and messing with the contents. The two were identified as Mahmoud Adawi (52 Years) from Ad Doha village and Majed Taha Qaraq' (42 Years) from Ayda Refugee camp. (Wafa 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a march in Bethlehem demanding that Israeli authorities return the bodies of Palestinians killed by the IOA which are still held in their custody. The IOA fired tear gas, sound bombs and rubber-coated steel bullets at the protesters. (Wafa, Maannews 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Dakhlallah Habes Al 'Amour from Tequ village south of Bethlehem city. (Maannews 17 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) assaulted two Palestinians while arresting them from Hebron and Bethlehem Governorates. The two arrestees were identified as Suleiman Sbeih (20 Years) from Bethlehem Governorate and Muhammad Al Harsh (28 Years) from Hebron Governorate. (WAFA 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Husan village west of Bethlehem Governorate and set up surveillance cameras along Husan's main road (Al Matina Road) to monitor Palestinians movement and to protect Israeli settlers driving the road. (WAFA 18 January 2018).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Bethlehem Governorate. The arrestees were identified as Mahdi Taha Ash Sheikh (19 Years), Yazan Muhammad Ash Sheikh (15 Years) and Anis Mashhour Hamamrah (37 Years). (Maannews 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Barriya area in Tequ village and detained the vehicle of Ahmad Kayed Jibreel, assaulted him and tried to confiscate the vehicle. (WAFA 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) carried out raids in Husan village west of Bethlehem city and arrested three Palestinian youth. (Maannews 19 January 2017)
- Construction work in the settlement of Tzur Hadassah has spread over the pre-1967 border. In the eastern part of the community, which is under the auspices of the so-called "Mateh Yehuda Regional Council", extensive work has been underway to increase its size with the construction of a new neighborhood of 1,150 housing units. It has now emerged that some of the construction has spilled over the pre-1967 border (which is Tzur Hadassah's boundary line) and have approached the lands of the village of Wadi Fukin in the West Bank. The situation was discovered by researcher Dror Etkes, who says that the work so far carried out across the pre-1967 border has added about 30 dunams (over seven acres) to Tzur Hadassah's area. The chairman of Tzur Hadassah's town council, Shlomo Magnezi, said that the community has no desire to take land from anyone else. "Somebody apparently spread across a line that's supposed to be there. If that happened we protest and want to pull back to the lines. We don't want to hurt our neighbors from Wadi Fukin." Wadi Fukin is a small village wedged between the pre-1967 border and Tzur Hadassah and the large settlement of Betar Ilit. In 1948, sizable areas that were owned by residents of the village were left within Israel and expropriated as absentee property. Additional areas were confiscated for the construction of Betar Ilit. In August 2014, the state declared another approximately 1,748 dunams of the village land as state lands. The

confiscation was among the punishments imposed by the government after the abduction and murder of three Jewish teens from nearby Gush Etzion. ([Haaretz](#) 19 January 2017)

- Several Israeli army jeeps invaded the village of Tequ' east of the West Bank city of Bethlehem, and abducted one Palestinian. The soldiers abducted Tamer Salim al-Badan, 30, after invading his home and violently searching it, and took him to Etzion military base and detention center. (IMEMC 20 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Mus'ab Muhammad Taqatqa (26 Years) and Muhammad Khalil Thawbta (24) from Beit Fajjar village south of Bethlehem city for interrogation at the Gush Etzion military bloc. (Wafa 21 January 2017 )
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Muhammad Hasan Njajrah (18 Years) from southwest of Bethlehem city for interrogation at the Gush Etzion military bloc. (Wafa 21 January 2017 )
- In the Bethlehem Governorate, Citizens Anas Taqatqa and Khatib Thawabta were detained in the village of Beit Fajjar. (Maannews 22 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Ibrahim Abu Yabis in the village of Husan. (Maannews 22 January 2017)
- Clashed erupted between the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinians in Tequ village southeast of Bethlehem city near the military tower that was recently erected at the entrance of the village. The IOA fired Teargas and sound Bombs at Palestinians. (SAFA 23 January 2017)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, the Israeli occupation Army detained Mahmoud Atallah Mashayekh, Ali Muhammad Abu Srour, Mahmoud Ibrahim al-Khatib, Anas Muhammad Taqatqa, and Uday Thabta. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)The Israeli occupation Army detained two Palestinians from Aida refugee camp, while another was detained from the village of Beit Fajjar south of Bethlehem. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- One Palestinian was detained from the village of al-Khader in the Bethlehem district, identified as Ibrahim Suleiman Sbeih, while Nidal Andunieh, and his son Amir were detained from the city of Bethlehem. (Maannews 25 January 2017)
- Israeli officials gave final approval to build 153 housing units in East Jerusalem, two days after approving construction for some 2,500 homes in the West Bank, most in existing settlement blocs Israel hopes to keep in any peace deal with the Palestinians. The approvals by a city planning committee for homes in the settlement of Gilo were among

those held up due to US pressure during Barack Obama's presidential term. ([Times of Israel](#) 26 January 2017)

- Israeli settlers of Sde Boaz outpost in Bethlehem Governorate uprooted 300 Grape seedlings, 100 Olive seedlings and confiscated them in addition to uprooting barbed wire fences owned by Sons of Muhammad Abdel Salam Salah in Al Khader village West of Bethlehem city. (Safa 28 January 2017)
- Israeli settlers of Sde Boaz outpost in Bethlehem Governorate uprooted 50 Grape seedlings owned by Husam Mustafa Salah and confiscated them. (Safa 28 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned three Palestinians from Bethlehem Governorate for interrogation in the Gush Etzion detention center. The three Palestinians were identified as Ahmad Jamal Shnayta (38 Years) from Al Ubeidiya village southeast of Bethlehem city, Isma'eil Kamel Al Kamel (29 Years) from Bethlehem city and Hamza Suleiman I'bayyat from Hindaza village in the east. (Wafa 29 January 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Ali Ibrahim al-Qaisi, 31, and Amir Mustafa Miamir were detained in the village of Battir. (Maannews 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from the village of Nahhalin, and one from the village of al-Khader. (Maannews 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Beit Fajjar village south of Bethlehem city and arrested Ahmad Mahmoud Taqatqa (23 Years) and Yaser Anwar Thawabta (23 years) after raiding their homes. (SAFA 31 January 2017)
- In Tequ village east of Bethlehem city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned a number of Palestinians for interrogation at the Gush Etzion Detention center after raiding their houses in the village. The summoned Palestinians were identified as Hamza Salem Raja Sabah, Mahmoud Kamel Sabah, Ahmad Khaled Sabah and Ahmad Riad Sabah. (SAFA 31 January 2017)
- The Israeli Civil Administration raided Um Rukba area in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city and notified to demolish a car repair shop owned by Abdullah Muhammad Salah under the pretext of unlicensed building. (Wafa 31 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) surprisingly closed Al Container checkpoint northeast of Bethlehem city and started checking

Palestinians vehicles and Palestinian ID cards. Some Palestinians were subjected to Interrogation at the site. (Wafa 31 January 2017)

## Jenin

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Ya'bad village south of Jenin city after raiding their homes. The three were identified as Fares Abu Baker (17 Years), Yousif Qusai Amarneh (18 Years) and Hazem Muhammad Salem Amarneh (19 Years). The IOA also attacked a young Palestinian citizen, Hadi Nour Ad Din Amarneh, causing injuries. (Safa 1 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) moved into Ya'bod village, south of Jenin. They raided and searched several houses and then arrested 3 civilians, including a child, namely Mohammed Fares Abu Baker (17), Yusuf Qusai 'Amarnah (19) and Hazem Mohammed Salem 'Amarnah (19). They also attacked and beat Hadi Nour Eden 'Amarnah (19), causing him bruises throughout his body. (PCHRGAZA 01 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Muthalath Ash Shuhada coffee shop south of Jenin city and confiscated surveillance cameras from the place. The coffee shop is owned by Hnaysha family (Shasha 2 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a military checkpoint at Jenin's southern entrance near Bir Al Jmal, stopped Palestinian vehicles, searched them and checked Palestinian ID cards. No arrests were reported. (Shasha 2 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Ya'bud village, south of Jenin. They raided and searched several houses and then arrested Mohammed Mahmud Khalid 'Amarnah (20). The IOA withdrew taking him to an unknown destination. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Qabatyia Town south of Jenin city. The arrestees were identified as Nael Kameil and Zakariya Zakarneh. (SAFA 4 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Ya'bud village, southwest of Jenin. They raided and searched a number of houses and then arrested Yusuf Mahmud 'Amarnah (18). The IOA later withdrew taking him to an unknown destination. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Um al-Raihan village, southwest of Jenin. They raided and searched several houses and then

- arrested 4 civilians, including 2 brothers, namely Saleh Mohammed Manasrah (43), his brother Jeha (45), Na'el Muhannad Manasrah (24) and Husam Jamal al-Khatib (28). (PCHRGZA 04 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) declared the bypass road connecting Jenin city with villages in the north as closed military area and intensified its existence in the area. The IOA also set up checkpoints, mainly near Haddad resort, stopped Palestinian vehicles and checked Palestinian ID cards. (Wafa 4 January 2017)
  - A number of Palestinians were injured during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Almaniya neighborhood in Jenin city. The IOA set up a checkpoint at the entrance of the neighborhood which caused tension in the area. During the clashes, the IOA attacked a Palestinian journalist, Mathna Ad Deik. (Wafa 4 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a military checkpoint between Al Mughayyer and Al Mutallah villages east of Jenin city and obstructed Palestinian vehicular movement. The IOA stopped Palestinian vehicles, searched them and interrogated Palestinians. No arrests were reported. (Wafa 06 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)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) Raided jaba' village in Jenin Governorate and arrested a number of Palestinians. The arrestees were identified as: Nazeeh Abu Owen and his son Islam, Basel GHannam. Ziyad Alawneh, Radwan Fashafsha, Said Wajeesh Abu Owen, Imad Kan'an, Ahmad Nemer Malaysha and Ashraf Hasan Malaysha. (SAFA 10 January 2017)
  - A 16-year-old Palestinian detainee (Said Khanfar) has had to undergo a below-the-knee amputation, due to a severe injuries he sustained after an Israeli jeep hit him at an Israeli military checkpoint in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Jenin last week. The teen was with three of his friends riding a Vespa motorcycle when they were apprehended by Israeli forces for allegedly planning a vehicular attack on soldiers on Jan. 3, and were injured after an Israeli jeep hit them. The accident occurred at a so-called "flying checkpoint" -- a non-temporary Israeli military checkpoint -- that had been set up between the city of Jenin and the al-Jalama checkpoint, which Palestinians use to cross into Israel from the northern occupied West Bank. (Maannews 11 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Maythaloun village south of Jenin village and arrested a Palestinian. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Barta'a village southwest of Jenin city and bulldozers demolished a chicken-barracks owned by Husam Abdullah Qabha and notified him to demolish another barrack he owns in the village under the pretext of unlicensed building. Qabha was given a time period of ten day to remove the barracks otherwise, it will demolished. The IOA also demolished an industrial facility owned by Warrad Ma'rouf Qabha under the pretext of unlicensed building. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a sudden checkpoint at the entrance of Zabuba village west of Jenin city and obstructed Palestinian vehicular movement. The IOA detained tens of Palestinian cars, check ID cards and interrogated some Palestinians under the pretext of hurling stones at Israeli Military Jeeps. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Authorities renewed the administrative detention for the second time (three more months) of Prisoner Abdel Salam Jamal Abu Al Haija from Jenin refugee camp in the northern West Bank. (SAFA 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a number of checkpoints in villages east of Jenin city, mainly Deir Ghazala, Beit Qad, Jalqamous, Deir Abu Da'if, Um At Tut, and Qabatya town, and carried out thorough searched to Palestinian vehicles driving the road. No arrests were reported. (Wafa 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the home of Muhammad As Sa'di from Jenin city and arrested his son Noor. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the home of Hamza As Sa'di from Jenin city and arrested him after searching house contents. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the industrial area of Barta'a village east of Jenin city and confiscated 6 Palestinian vehicles belonging to Palestinians in the village. The IOA gave no justification to the confiscation process. (SAFA 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 5 Palestinians from Jenin Governorate. The arrestees were identified as Ahmad Damanhuri Kameel, Muhamamd Malek Kameel, Muhamamd Khaled Kameel, Jaser Tayseer Kameel and Rambo Ghassan Alawneh. (Maannews 17 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mujahed Adel Yaseen from Jenin Governorate. (Maannews 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Quteiba Rateb Ar Rifa'I (28 Years) from Rummana Village west of Jenin city north of the West Bank while crossing a flying checkpoint that was set up near Tinnik village. The IOA searched his vehicle and transferred him to unknown location. (SAFA 18 January 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Quteiba Rateb Ar Rifa'I (28 Years) from Rummana Village west of Jenin city north of the West Bank while crossing a flying checkpoint that was set up near Tinnik village. The IOA searched his vehicle and transferred him to unknown location. (SAFA 18 January 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Abu Arra family house in the Jenin-area village of Aqaba, detaining one and interrogating others, including former prisoner Sheikh Mustafa Abu Arra and his son Zaid Abu Arra. The detainee was reported to be Omar Walid Abu Arra. (Maannews 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Rummana village in Jenin Governorate. The two arrestees were identified as Muhamamd Younis Sbeihat (23 Years); he was arrested while trying to cross Barta'a military checkpoint; and Allam Bilal Nayef Jarban (29 Years). He was arrested after the IOA raided his workplace inside the 1948 lands. (WAFa 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided several homes and questioned their inhabitants in Arraba town in Jenin Governorate. The raided homes belong to Raed Abu Ghalboush, Abdel Majeed Shebani, Ibrahim Dahbour, Hani Abu Sara, and Muhammad Raouf Hamdan. (WAFa 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Majd Abdel Kareem Azem (29 Years) near Arraba junction south of Jenin city and detained his cousin Azzam Mustafa Azem for some hours before releasing him few hours later. (WAFa 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a military checkpoint at the southern Jenin city entrance. The IOA stopped Palestinian vehicles, searched them and checked Palestinian ID cards. (WAFa 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army detained Taher Jamal Kamil in the town of Qabatiya in the Jenin district. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two former Palestinian prisoners in the Jenin district, identified as Saddam Muhammad Yassin from Anin village and Ismail al-Kilani from the village of Yaabad. (Maannews 25 January 2017)

- In Jenin, former prisoners and brothers Muhammad and Ahmad Abu Khalifa were detained from the Jenin refugee camp by the Israeli Occupation army. (Maannews 26 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Amro Nayif Jarar from al-Hashimiya village in Jenin Governorate. (Maannews 26 January 2017)
- Four Palestinians were injured and beaten by Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) during a raid in the Jenin refugee camp in the northern occupied West Bank city of Jenin in the predawn hours. Clashes erupted after more than 20 Israeli military vehicles raided the Jenin refugee camp just before dawn. Three youths were injured with rubber-coated steel bullets. Muhammad Lamiya Dbaya was injured in the leg while Ishaq Rafiq Abu Shahla and Malek Muhammad Amer were injured in the chest. Israeli soldiers also assaulted Amer Nashat Marie, 19, during clashes. (Maannews 27 January 2017)
- A Palestinian was killed and five others were injured when the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Jenin refugee camp in the northern occupied West Bank and confronted with Palestinians. The IOA opened fire at Palestinians and fired tear Gas and sound bombs at them. (Wafa 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Jenin city and confiscated records of Surveillance cameras from a number of commercial shops in Dahiyat Sabah Al Khair (Sabah Al Khair outskirts) and the industrial area in the city. The IOA also set up a sudden checkpoint at An Nasera street near Alwaha supermarket near Sabah Al Khair outskirts, searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Wafa 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian from Arrana village northeast of Jenin city after raiding his family house and searching it. The arrestee was identified as Wael Azmi Abu Hannana (23 years). (Wafa 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a Taxi driver from Jenin Refugee camp while trying to cross a sudden checkpoint that was set up by the IOA near Jenin-Nablus road. The detainee was identified as Waleed Ahmad As Sa'di (40 Years). (SAFA 30 January 2017)
- An Israeli military court sentenced a 16-year-old Palestinian girl to a year and a half in prison for allegedly [attempting to stab an Israeli soldier](#) last year at a checkpoint in the northern occupied West Bank. Amal Jamal Qabha, from the village of Tura in the West Bank district of Jenin, was also fined \$5,300. (Maannews 31 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Abu Ubeida Mosque area in Kafr Saba neighborhood in Jenin city and stormed the house of Ahmad

Al Barsh (23 Years), searched it and assaulted family members before arresting their son. (SAFA 31 January 2017)

## Jerusalem

- The Israeli Magistrate Court extended the arrest of the two young men Mo'ayad Bader and Nasser Obeid until 01/08/2017, and citizen Amer Zeddani until the release of his "conduct report". The judge also extended the trial of Yazan Abu Assab until 01/17/2017, till he obtains his "conduct report", and Mohammad Jouda, age 16 until the 2<sup>nd</sup> of January 2017. The Public Prosecutor submitted an indictment against the young man Yousef Falah and his detention has been extended for one more day. (SILWANIC 1 January 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Jerusalemite woman, Ms. Raeda A'layan, mother of the Jerusalemite detainee Mohammad Rabah A'layan, during her entry to visit him in Galboa' Prison; she is from Issawiya town. On the other hand the judges of the Israeli District Court postponed the judgment of Manar Majdi Shweiki until 02/02/2017; it had been scheduled to rule against the girl Shweiki, however her conduct report has not been issued. (SILWANIC 1 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army stationed at al Container checkpoint in east Jerusalem arrested citizen Hisham Fawwaz Salah (23 years) from Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city after detaining him for some time. (Wafa 1 January 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinian citizens in Jerusalem, namely Saleh Badr Abu Assab age 16, Adam Fadi Mustafa age 16, Husam Samih A'liyan age 16, and Amir Othman Darwish age 14. Meanwhile the IOA arrested four others from Bab Hatta neighborhood in Jerusalem Old city and were identified as: Omar Ibrahim, Nasser Ibrahim, Mohammad Abu Farha, and Mo'min Hashim. (SILWANIC 2 January 2017)
- Israeli undercover forces arrested two Palestinians from Al Isawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem and were identified as Adel Naser Daoud Mahoud (16 Years) and Sami Eid Faisal Abu Rmeilah (16 Yeras). (SILWANIC 2 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Bulldozers raided Bir al-Maskub area north of the Ma'ale Adumim settlement and demolished

the homes of four families numbering 30 people, including 18 minors. (BTSELEM 2 January 2017)

- The Israeli municipality bulldozers demolished a house belonging to 'Amer 'Obaido in al-'Aqabah neighbourhood in Beit Haninah village, north of the city. The house was built 16 years ago and comprised of 2 floors. The first 35-square-meter floor was used as a store while the second 120-square-meter floor was used as an abode. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army accompanied with Israeli municipality crews and 2 bulldozers moved into in Al Ashqariya neighborhood in Beit Hanina town north of occupied east Jerusalem. They surrounded a house comprised of 2 apartments belonging to 'Adnan al-Shweiki. The families of Fadi al-Faqeeh and Mohamed al-Masalmah, who rent the abovementioned apartments, were forced to vacate their apartments. Israeli bulldozers demolished the aforementioned house, which was built on an area of 300 square meters. Al-Shweiki said that the abovementioned families live in his house with a rental contract and the house demolition came without any warning. Israeli municipality issued a decision to delay the demolition until 01 January 2017, during which the family attempted to get a license for the apartments, but the Israeli forces raided the house without warning and demolished it. It should be noted that the house was built 15 years ago and during the past years Israeli municipality imposed construction fines of around NIS 335,000 that were previously paid. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
- 46 Israeli Settlers escorted by Israeli security guards raided Al Aqsa Mosque from Al Magharbeh gate and toured in the courtyard. (Wafa 4 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked citizen Ameer Uthman Darwish (14 Years) from Al Isawiya town north of Jerusalem city after arresting him from his family house. (Al Ayyam 4 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Wisam Seder and Ahmad Said Aqab after raiding their homes in Jerusalem old city and Ras Al Amoud. (SAFA 4 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Al 'Abbasi and Anas Al 'Abbasi from Ras Al Amoud area in Jerusalem. The IOA also arrested citizen Obaida Al Atrash from Ras Al Amoud area. (SAFA 4 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Zayed Al Ajlouni after raiding his home in Al Isawiya town northwest of Jerusalem city. (SAFA 4 January 2017)
  - Israeli court sentenced 17-year-old Palestinian girl to eight years in prison. The girl was identified as Marah Bakir from Beit Hanina city north of Jerusalem city and was sentenced under the pretext of carrying out a “terror attack” against Israeli settlers in Jerusalem city. (RB2000 4 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired at the car of Palestinian Deputy Minister of Health Asaad al-Ramlawi in the occupied West Bank district of Jerusalem. The IOA deliberately opened fire at al-Ramlawi’s car as he was driving near the village of al-Ram, adding that the front windshield of his vehicle was damaged, but that the deputy minister was not injured. (Maannews 05 January 2017)
  - The judges of the Israeli court ruled three young Jerusalemites, and extended the detention of young boys and young men. The three young boys were identified as (1) Issa Abu Riala, 8 months of actual imprisonment, a fine of 3600 Shekels, and a seven month suspension for a period of 3 years.(2) Haitham Owaida, 6 months and a day of actual imprisonment, and a six month suspension for a period of 3 years for the accusation of inciting against Israel via “Facebook”; and (3) Mohammad Abu Sbeih, a hundred days of actual imprisonment, a fine of 3600 Shekels, and a five month suspension for a period of 3 years. He was released after he served his sentence. (SILWANIC 05 January 2017)
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- The judges of the Israeli court extended the arrests of Mohammad Qasem and A’areen Za’aneen until 01/06/2017, Iyad Al Shalabi until 01/15/2017, Mohammad Abu Khdeir and Salam Abeid until 01/09/2017, Iyad Eiseleh until 01/29/2017, Raeda Al Atrash until 01/06/2017, Ahmad Darweish until 01/08/2017, Ameen Hamed until 01/12/2017, Muath Abd Rabbo 02/16/2017 “witnesses heard”, Ahmad A’ashayer until 01/17/2017, Yousef Falah until 02/01/2017 (A deal was made with the public prosecutors to sentence him for four months for the accusation of throwing stones), Amani Hasheem until 02/06/2017, Akram Mustafa until 01/08/2017 “witnesses heard”, Anas Mohammad Al Abassi age 22 and Mohammad Saari Al Abassi age 24 until 01/05/2017. (SILWANIC 05 January 2017)

- The Israeli intelligence summoned Saari Al Abbasi, age 55, and his son Hamza Saari Al Abassi, age 21, and their final extension has been for tomorrow. (SILWANIC 05 January 2017)
- The judges of the Israeli court extended the arrest of Mohammed Ja'bari until 03/09/2017, Mo'ayad Abu Mayala and Majd Al A'war until 01/17/2017, Mousa Abu Ghanam until 01/15/2017, Mu'tasem Habeeb and Yousef Abu Sneineh until 02/26/2017, Sami Eid Abu Rmeileh and Adel Mahmoud until 01/08/2017, Mohammad Al Masri until 03/01/2017, Waseem Dari until 05/03/2017, Majd Mustafa until 01/10/2017, Mohammad A'sho until 01/29/2017, Yaqoub Al Qawasmi until 02/20/2017, Mohammad Jawdeh until 01/19/2017, and Mo'men Al Dibs until 01/22/2017 "for his conduct report". (SILWANIC 05 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished the two- storey home of Amer Abido in Wadi Ad Dam neighborhood in Beit Hanina town north of Jerusalem city under the pretext of unliced building. The home's area is 160 square meters and was shelter for 8 people. (Wafa 05 January 2017)
- The Israeli municipality of Jerusalem issued a decision to demolish the house of Issa Ja'afra (family of eight members) in the "Bridge" district in Silwan village, under the pretext of building without a permit. The municipal crews asked him to demolish his home himself for not paying the charges for the demolition crews, which could reach 40 thousand Shekels. (SILWANIC 05 January 2017)
- El 'Ad settlers organization took over a two-storey building in Silwan town south of Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem city owned by citizen Hani Sarhan. Each floor is 70 square meters area. (SILWANIC 08 January 2017)
- Israeli settlers resumed their incursions to Al Aqsa Mosque from Bab Al Magharbah (Al Mughrabi Gate) under the cover of the Israeli security forces and tried to carry out Talmudic rituals. (Wafa 08 January 2017)
- Clashes erupted between the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and School students at the main entrance of Ar Ram town north of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired Tear Gas Bombs at Palestinian students which resulted in tens of Palestinians suffering from Gas Inhalation. (Wafa 08 January 2017). (Wafa 08 January 2017).
- Israeli soldiers and Israeli intelligence units stormed the home of martyr Fadi Al Qunber in "Qunber Street" in Jabal Al Mukaber village. They surrounded his house completely and prevented relatives from

reaching it except the ones who were summoned. They also prevented the neighbors from passing through to their homes. The family of the martyr Al Qunber explained that Israeli soldiers arrested Tahani Al Qunber, age 21, the martyr's wife, Manwa Al Qunber, age 63, the martyr's mother, Ahmad Al Qunber, age 85, the martyr's father, his brother Mohammad, age 30, and Munther Al Qunber, age 22. The martyr's sisters were summoned after interrogating them at home and were called upon to the Mascobia police station in West Jerusalem. The Israeli soldiers searched the home of the martyr and his brothers who were his neighbors, and deliberately vandalized its contents. Martyr Fadi, was a father of four children, the eldest is 7 years old and the youngest is an infant, and they are: Izz, Jana, Ghazal, and Mohammad. (SILWANIC 08 January 2017)

- Clashes erupted between the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinians at Biddu village main Road northwest of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired Sound and Tear Gas Bombs at Palestinians and closed the main road in an attempt to disperse Palestinian protestors. (Wafa 08 January 2017).
- Israeli police raided East Jerusalem Jabel Mukaber neighborhood of East Jerusalem and barred the family of Martyr fadi Qunber from putting up a traditional Muslim mourning tent to receive visitors paying condolence calls. Police used concrete slabs to block entrances to the neighborhood, and a police officer checked each car driven out of the area. ([Haaretz](#) 09 January 2017)
- The Ofer military court sentenced a Palestinian man to two life sentences. The Palestinian was identified as Muhammad Husni Abu Shahn, a resident of the Qalandiya refugee camp in the central occupied West Bank. The court also imposed a 3.5 million-shekel (\$908,955) fine on Abu Shahn. (Maannews 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli regional committee for building and planning affiliated to the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem will discuss tomorrow the ratification of 390 settlement units in two Israeli settlements in occupied East Jerusalem. 170 settlement units to be built in the settlement of Ramat Shlomo, 220 others in the settlement of Ramot in addition to ratifying the building of a Synagogue and a kindergarten in the same settlement. (Wafa 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided a number of Palestinian homes in Hizma village northeast of occupied East Jerusalem and took photos of family members. The IOA also checked the phones of a number of Palestinians especially those aging 11 and above. (Wafa 11 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stopped Palestinian vehicles (cars and buses) near Ar Rashidiyah school in the old city of Jerusalem, carried out provocative searches and checked ID cards. (Wafa 11 January 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) near the entrance of Ar Ram town north of Jerusalem city. Several Palestinians suffered gas inhalation as the IOA fired Tear-Gas and sound bombs at Palestinians to disperse them. (Wafa 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the Jabal al-Mukabbir neighborhood of occupied East Jerusalem to deliver warrants notifying relatives of Martyr Fadi al-Qunbar that their Jerusalem residency status would be punitively revoked. The IOA raided their home to deliver the revocation orders to some of the relatives, locking the family inside one room throughout the raid. Fadi's mother Minwa al-Qunbar has held a Jerusalem ID for years after she was granted legal status under Israel's Family Reunification Law. Suha al-Qunbar's Jerusalem residency was also ordered to be revoked, while Israeli authorities cancelled applications for her husband Murad Equisat and their two children, aged 11 and 17, to become residents under reunification. Fadi al-Qunbar's nephew 21-year-old Diyaa Eweisat, the son of Fadi's sister Hind, was delivered a warrant notifying that his reunification application was cancelled. Fadi's sister-in-law Manal al-Qunbar received an order cancelling her application to gain legal status in Jerusalem under reunification with her husband Sami al-Qunbar. (Maannews 11 January 2017)
- Minister of the Interior Aryeh Deri has decided to revoke the permanent resident status of 13 members of relatives of Martyr Fadi Al-Qunbar's in Jabal Al Mukkabir Town in occupied East Jerusalem, including his mother, following consultations with the Shin Bet and the Immigration Authority. ([Ynetnews](#) 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers raided Al Qanabra neighborhood in Jabal Al Mukkabir town in occupied East Jerusalem and stormed the home of Martyr Fadi Al Qunbar . As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA in the town. (SAFA 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian citizen near Bab Al Amoud (Damascus Gate) and took him to the one of the detention centers in the city. (Wafa 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three minors in Jabal al-Mukabbir town in occupied East Jerusalem, identifying them as Usama

Uweisat, 12, his brother Bassim, 14, and their cousin Muhammad, 14. According to a statement from Israeli police, the three were detained and interrogated on suspicion of throwing rocks and Molotov cocktails at Israeli police in Jabal al-Mukabbir, with no injuries reported. (Maannews 11 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided As Sa'diya neighborhood in the old city of Jerusalem, raided the house of Abdel salam Abu Ghazaleh, father of Martyr Thaer Abu Ghazaleh, messed with house contents, arrested him and took him to Al Qeshla detention center in Jerusalem. (SAFA 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) delivered three demolition orders and one halt of construction order to Palestinian families in Hizma village northeast of occupied East Jerusalem under the pretext of unlicensed building. The threatened homes belong to Jaber Al Khateed, Abdel Qader Al Khateeb, Muhammad Al Shaqbawi and Mu'tamen Abdel Samee'. Owners of the houses were given three days to object the demolition orders; otherwise, their homes will be demolished. (WAFSA 11 January 2017)
- Dozens of police officers and Jerusalem Municipality inspectors arrived in Jabal al-Mukabber town in occupied East Jerusalem with bulldozers and demolished three stables and a trailer home. (BTSELEM 10 January 2017)
- Israeli inspectors taped warning notices to the doors of some forty houses in Jabal al-Mukabber town in occupied East Jerusalem, stating that they were built without permits and that administrative proceedings to demolish them had been instigated. These structures all belong to the extended al-Qunbar family. (BTSELEM 10 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Bulldozers raided Al Mintar Nature Reserve (300 dunums area) in Arab As Sawahra community and attacked the recently established project of "Al Mintar Nature Reserve", which aimed at preserving the area from desertification. The IO bulldozers started destroying a 300 meters long barbed wires that were protecting the newly planted 4500 seedlings in the Natue reserve. The project was implemented by the Land Research Center and Oxfam and funded by the Belgian Development Cooperation, as part of the project "to build and strengthen the steadfastness of the Bedouin communities in occupied east Jerusalem,". (LRC 1 January 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinian youths during a detention raid in the Shufat refugee camp in the Jerusalem Governorate of the occupied West Bank under the pretext of looking for Palestinians suspected of having entered Israel

without permits, detaining ten residents, including two dentists. Clashes broke out during the raid for more than two hours, with the IOA firing tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at youth. (Maannews 12 January 2017)

- Israeli undercover forces injured citizen Malek Abu Asab (18 Years) during a raid to Jabal Al Mukkabir town south east of the occupied city of Jerusalem and arrested him. (Safa 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation bulldozers affiliated to the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem demolished structures in the occupied East Jerusalem town of Jabal al-Mukabbir for being built without license. The demolished structures are owned by Ahmad As Surkhi and include the following: a carwash shop, a cell phone shop, a horse stable, A Fuel filling station and a car repair shop. The structures were built on a five dunums land area owned by Khader Musa Ibeidat. . (WAFa & Maannews 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) uprooted and cut down tens of olive trees in the [Karam al-Mufti](#) area of the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood of occupied East Jerusalem as part of a plan to construct a new bypass road that will connect the nearby illegal settlement with the Israeli ministry of interior. The IOA have been uprooting and cutting down tens of olive trees planted in the area for the last week, transferring the trees to unknown locations. Israeli authorities put signs in the [Karam al-Mufti](#) area last year, declaring that construction works would be conducted on the land “in accordance with articles 5 and 7 of the law,” the construction and planning law regulated 1965 and plan number 4329. ([Maannews](#) 12 January 2017)
- The Jerusalem municipality has approved plans to establish a new settlement in the occupied East Jerusalem town of Jabal al-Mukabbir, on the site of the home of Martyr Fadu Qunbar. Israel’s security cabinet has already ordered Fadi al-Qunbar’s home to be demolished, and the family will be left homeless by Israel’s policy of punitive home demolition. The Jerusalem municipality is preparing to build a new settlement on the remains of the soon-to-be destroyed house and a large surrounding area in the neighborhood. Plans for 2,500 settler units have been approved for construction in Jabal al-Mukabbir. (Maannews 12 January 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Hizma village northeast of Jerusalem city as the latter stormed the village and carried out provocative actions against Palestinian citizens. The IOA fired teargas and sound bombs and rubber coated

bullets to disperse Palestinians. As a result, tens of Palestinians suffered gas inhalation. (WAFSA 13 January 2017)

- The Israeli Central court in occupied Jerusalem sentenced Citizen Akram Mustafa Salem Dari (20 Years) from Al Isawiya town to 32 months in the Israeli Jails allegedly for hurling stones and fire bombs at Israeli military jeeps. Dari was arrested in the 14<sup>th</sup> OF October 2015. (SAFA 14 January 2017)
- The Israeli reconciliation Court extended the arrest of citizen Musa Srour from Jabal Al Mukkabir town south of Jerusalem city. (SAFA 14 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested seven Palestinians from Jerusalem Governorate. The arrestees were identified as: Ameer Abeer, Ahmad Salman, Majd Shqairat, Iyad Shqairat, Layth Mash'al, Ahmad Froukh, and Muhammad 'Ashayer. (WAFSA 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two children from Silwan town in Jerusalem Governorate after assaulting and severely beating them. The IOA raided several neighborhoods in Silwan town and arrested 13-year old Seif Abu Nab and 15-year old Mohammad Sufian Atrash. (SILWANIC 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided a house for Abbasi family in "Kroom Qamar" in Silwan and assaulted a woman and her son under the pretext of looking for stone-throwers. (SILWANIC 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three children after raiding their homes in the town of Jabal Al-Mukabber. The IOA along with intelligence personnel raided the town of Jabal Al-Mukabber and arrested Karam Raed Aweisat (13), Radi Aziz Aweisat (14) and Adham Aweisat (14). (SILWANIC 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Military court extended the detention of citizens Malek Sroor and Muhammad Derbas till the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2017. The court also extended the detention of Eid Shabaneh and Muhammad Al Hidrah till the 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2017, Citizen Mu'ayyad Bader till the 18<sup>th</sup> of January 2017, Muhammad Amin till the 29 of March 2017, and Nidal Ghannam till the 17 of January 2017. (SAFA 15 January 2017)
- Around 35 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem Governorate from Bab Al Magharbah (Al Mughrabi Gate) under the cover of the Israeli security forces. (WAFSA 15 January 2017)

- Israeli settlers living above a Palestinian family in the Silwan town of occupied East Jerusalem assailed the family's courtyard and attempted to break into their home. Settlers stormed the courtyard of Muhammad Muheisin's home, smashed the outdoor furniture, damaged garden plants, and shattered framed Quran verses. The settlers left about a half an hour later. Muheisin and his family live on the ground floor of a six-story building. (SilwanIC, Maannews 15 January 2017)
- Ciztien Azmi Mustafa from Al Isawiya town northeast of Jerusalem city was forced to evacuate his home after the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem threatened to demolish it under the pretext of unlicensed building. Mr. Mustafa evacuated the house's contents after members of the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem raided his home last week, took photos of the house and threatened to demolish it. The house's area is 165 sq meters and is inhabited by 5 family members. (SAFA 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Mansour Abu Gharbieh while near Ar Rashidiyah school near Bab As Sahera area in Jerusalem city and took him to unknown destination. (Wafa 16 January 2017)
- Hundreds of Israeli police forces raided the Shufat refugee camp in occupied East Jerusalem, searching and ransacking more than 20 homes at gunpoint and arrested 9 Palestinian youth. More than 500 Israeli police officers, border police soldiers, and special force officers were involved in the raid of the camp. The Israeli troops "deliberately" damaged the interiors of the houses they searched. Seven of the young men who were detained were identified as Usayd Ahmad Ali, Ward Muhammad Sheikh Ali, Ihab Muhammad Nababta, Amir Sheikh Ali, Muhammad al-Fasfous, Ihab Nawfal, and Anas al-Rajabi. Palestinians were arrested allegedly for throwing stones, fireworks, and Molotov cocktails at Israeli forces. Others were suspected of illegal possession of firearms and stolen commodities. (Maannews 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Tax Authority fined owners of nursery shops in Hizma town in Jerusalem Governorate for illegally using the land on which the shops were built. (Wafa 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 9 Palestinians from Shu'fat Refugee camp and were identified as: Ward Ash Sheikh Ali, Osaid Hasan Ali, Ameer Ash Sheikh Ali, Muhammad Fasfous, Issa Muhammad 'Ali, Issa Derbas, Muhammad Jaber, Ihab Muhammad Suleiman, Anas Al Rajabi, and Ayman Al 'Adawi. (Maannews and Wafa 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Nadyia Abu Jamal, wife of Martyr Ghassan Abu Jamal from Jabal Al Mukkabir town in occupied

- East Jerusalem and summoned the Martyr's father for interrogation after raiding their house in the town. (Maannews 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested six Jerusalemites after raiding their homes in the city of Jerusalem. The IOA raided the villages of Jabal Al-Mukabber, Al-Tur and Esawyeh and arrested six Jerusalemites and transferred them for interrogation at the police centers. The IOA arrested Ahmad Salman Farroukh (17), Mohammad Na'eem Ashayer (17), Majd Sami Shkeirat (17), Eyad Mohammad Shkeirat (17) and Laith Tamer Mash'al (18). The IOA also arrested Amid Obeid. (SILWANIC 17 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Court extended the arrest of Malek Sroor and Mohammad Dirbas until 16/1/2017, Eid Shabaneh and Mohammad Hadreh until 12/2/2017, Mouayad Bader until 18/1/2017, Mohammad Amin Obeid until 29/3/2017 for sentencing, Nidal Ghanem until 17/1/2017. The judge sentenced the minor Issa Firawi for 4 months of public service and a 3 thousand NIS fine. (SILWANIC 17 January 2017)
  - A Palestinian from the occupied East Jerusalem town of Issawiya demolished his own home in order to comply with a demolition order from the Israeli Jerusalem municipality. Homeowner Firas Mahmoud had been notified by the Jerusalem municipality that if he didn't take care of it himself, Israeli authorities would demolish his home themselves and charge Mahmoud 300,000 shekels (\$78,518) for the cost of the demolition. The 130-square-meters area house was built eight months ago and is located in the area known as Habayil al-Arab area of Issawiya. (Maannews 17 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed Qalandyia crossing north of occupied east Jerusalem and obstructed the Palestinian vehicular and pedestrian movement on both sides. The crossing was closed under the pretext of examining a suspicious object found near the place. (Wafa 17 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Qalandyia refugee camp in Jerusalem, patrolled in the streets and alleys and fired teargas and sound bombs at Palestinian citizens in the Camp. (Wafa 18 January 2017).
  - The Israeli Occupation Court sentenced Citizen Muhamamd Yousef Zakaryia Burqan from Ath Thuri Neighborhood in Silwan city to 22 Months in the prison and fined him NIS 5,000 allegedly for throwing stones and bombs at Israeli Military Jeeps. (SAFA 18 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished 7 workshops and commercial stores near Qalandyia crossing in Jerusalem Governorate .

One of the affected owners, identified as Saddam Amer, 35, owns a car repair shop in the area. Other owners were not identified. The demolition process affects 30 Palestinian families in Qalandyia village. Clashes erupted in the village between Palestinians and the IOA as Palestinians were trying to stop the demolition process. As a result, 6 Palestinians were injured. (Wafa 18 January 2017)

- The Israeli Committee on Legislation will debate a bill to annex Ma'aleh Adumim on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January 2017, just two-days after the inauguration of US President-elect Donald Trump. ([IPOST](#) 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from Jabal Al Mukkaber town in occupied East Jerusalem. The two were identified as Yaseen Al Qunber (20 Years) and Mahmoud Eweist (20 Years). Two others were arrested after the IOA raided their homes, searched the contents and confiscated their personal computers and cellphones. The two were identified as Shadi Sroor and Ahmad Rezeq. (Wafa 19 January 2017)
- Around 18 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem city from Bab Al Magharbah (Al Mughrabi gate) under the cover of Israeli security Police and carried out provocative tours in the courtyard of Al Aqsa Mosque. (Safa 19 January 2017)
- Dozens of supporters and activists set up tents in a park at the illegal Maale Adumim settlement in the occupied West Bank, establishing the Bab al-Shams village on lands surrounding the settlement near the controversial E-1 corridor. The activists had set up the Bab al-Shams village, or "Gate of the Sun," to protest illegal Israeli settlements and against the US President Donald Trump, who is expected to give a green light to further Israeli annexation of occupied Palestinian territory, as a bill to annex Maale Adumim is planned to be introduced to Israel's parliament, the Knesset, on Sunday, just two days after the controversial American figure assumes office. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA ) detained six activists that had arrived at the park and attempted to set up Bab al-Shams, as the IOA surrounded the village and expelled protesters and journalists from the area, in addition to issuing tickets for media vehicles. Journalists and photographers were also prevented from taking pictures during the event. The IOA also delivered notices to journalists preventing them from being on the main street. (Maannews 20 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians in Jerusalem Governorate in the occupied West Bank. The detainees were

- identified as Faisal Shabaneh, 16, Mahmoud Abu al-Hawa, 17, Yousif Abu al-Hawa, 17, Ashraf Abu Jumaa, 17, and Ahmad Abu Sbeih, 18.
- One Palestinian had been detained in Beit Anan and Qatanna vilages northwest of Jerusalem Governorate. (Maannews 22 January 2017)
  - The Israeli judges extended the arrest of several young men and children to continue interrogating them, and released others on condition of deporting them from their areas of residency. The judge decided to release the child Ahmad Rizeq Aweisat and Yassin Qunbar, Mahmoud Aweisat and Shadi Sroor on conditions of bails between 500-1500 NIS, house-arrest, deportation outside the village of Jabal Al-Mukabber and third-party bails. The judge decided to release 16-year old Mohammad Joudeh with a 3-thousand NIS bail, house-arrest and deportation to Beit Hanina in addition to a third-party bail of 7 thousand NIS. Majd Shkeirat, Bashar Shkeirat and Ahmad Farroukh were also released with a 1000-NIS bail and house-arrest for 5 days for each. The judge extended the arrest of Mo'men Dibs, Sami Abu Rmeileh, Adel Mahmoud, Daoud Abu Aweis, Issa Ali, Majd Al-A'war and Mouayad Abu Mayaleh until completing the legal procedures against them. The judge also extended the arrest of Ashraf Abu Jom'a, Yousef Abu Jom'a, Mahmoud Abulhawa, Faisal Shabaneh and Ahmad Abu Sbeih until 24/1/2017. In addition to extending the arrest of Ahmad Fasfoos and Malek Sroor until Monday, Mohammad Shyoukhi until Thursday for sentencing, Mouayad Bader until 29/1/2017, Abdel Fatah Abdelrahman and Ihab Nababteh until 23/1/2017 and Ahmad Abu Diab until 24/1/2017. (SILWANIC 22 January 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested four young Jerusalemite men after raiding their homes in the village of Al-Tur in Jerusalem. The IOA arrested Yousef Mohammad Yousef Abu Jom'a (17), Ashraf Saed Eddin Abu Jom'a (17), Ahmad Zuheir Abu Sbeih (18) and Mahmoud Abdullah Abulhawa (17). The occupation forces transferred the young men for interrogation at the police center. (SILWANIC 22 January 2017)
  - The Magistrate judge extended the arrest of the Jerusalemite activist and member of follow-up committee in the village of Esawyeh, Mohammad Abu Hummos, until next Tuesday. Abu Hummos family explained that Mohammad was presented to court on Saturday night and the judge extended his arrest until next Tuesday to continue interrogating him. Mohammad was arrested on Friday afternoon while monitoring the occupation forces' raid on the village of Esawyeh. The occupation forces have been conducting daily raids on the village of

Esawyeh during which activist Abu Hummos was targeted by preventing him from taking pictures, detaining his ID and cell phone and forcing him to delete the pictures and videos he took. Recently, they targeted him with a rubber bullet and wounded him in his leg. (SILWANIC 22 January 2017)

- Israel's Jerusalem municipality approved permits for the construction of at least 566 new illegal Israeli settlement units in occupied East Jerusalem, after the plans were said to be put on hold until after US President Donald Trump was sworn in. The Local Building and Planning Committee in Jerusalem approved the construction of 671 housing units in a number of areas, after their approval was delayed for several weeks. 324 units were approved in the Ramot settlement, 174 units in the Ramat Shlomo settlement, and 68 units in the Pisgat Zeev settlement. (Maannews, [Haaretz](#) 22 January)
- The Israeli occupation authorities, particularly the West Jerusalem municipality, continued reprisal measures against Palestinian residents of Jabal al-Mukabber in East Jerusalem. Residents said crews from the municipality and police have intensified their raids of homes and businesses, imposing taxes and giving orders for home demolitions under the pretext of building without a permit. In addition, police issue tickets to drivers and cars parked on the streets. Residents said they have been subjected to collective punishment as a result of the incident. (Wafa 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army detained nine Palestinians in occupied East Jerusalem and the Jerusalem Governorate of the West Bank. The detainees were identified as Adam Mahmoud, Samer Atiyeh, Ahmad Ubeid, Muhammad Mahmoud, Muhammad Atiyeh, and Ahmad Tarwa were detained in the neighborhood of Issawiya. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army detained Mamduh Ajluni and Ahmad Badriya in the Old City of Jerusalem. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army detained Mahmoud al-Zaghil in Ras al-Amoud. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- Israeli settlers renewed their incursions to Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem city from Bab Al Magharbah (Al Mughrabi gate) under the Cover of the Israeli security Police and toured in the courtyard of Al Aqsa Mosque. (Wafa 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem handed out military orders to Palestinian home owners in Ebeidat neighborhood in Jabal Al Mukkabir town in occupied East Jerusalem under the pretext of unlicensed building. The orders were dated back to the 22<sup>nd</sup> of 2016,

but were delivered to Palestinian home owners only yesterday. Note that two months ago, the Municipality of Jerusalem delivered notifications to the entire neighborhood residents asking them to see the Municipality for “using an unlicensed real state” in the town. The threatened neighborhood is located in close proximity to Zahava Tzion settlement. (SAFA 23 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Shu’fat refugee camp in Jerusalem and started confiscating Palestinian cars in the camp. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- Employees of the Jerusalem Municipality and the Israeli Tax Authority ordered to close a restaurant in Khan Az Zeit area in the old city of Jerusalem under the pretext of being unlicensed. The restaurant is owned by Salah Ash Shaweesh. The restaurant is the only source of income for resident Abu Shaweesh and his family. (SAFA 23 January 2017)
- A number of Palestinians were injured during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at Al Jabal junction in Abu Dis town in Jerusalem. The IOA fired teargas and sound bombs to disperse the Palestinians which resulted in the injury of several Palestinians. During the clashes the IOA arrested Citizen Islam Rabe’. (SAFA 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Kayed Mahmoud, Abdel Qader Dari, Ameer Derbas, Nadeem As Safadi, and Khaled Abu Ghoush from Al Isawiya Town in occupied East Jerusalem. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- 43 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque from Bab al Magharbah (Al Mughrabi gate) under the cover of Israeli security forces. The settlers carried out provocative tours in the court yard of Al Aqsa Mosque. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) delivered a demolition notice for an agricultural structure in the village of Hizma in the West Bank’s Jerusalem Governorate. The demolition notice was delivered just days following the demolition of structures used for selling crops and stores in the area after Israeli authorities accused Palestinian owners of lacking Israeli-issued permits. clashes broke out after Israeli troops stormed the village, with local youth hurling stones at the Israeli soldiers, who fired rubber-coated steel bullets and “showered the village’s alleys” with tear gas. Hizma’s main entrance has remained closed with large cement blocks by the Israeli army as they continue to

search for alleged stone throwers in the village. (Maannews, [Safa](#) 24 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians from the Jerusalem Governorate. The detainees were identified as Yousif Mahdi Dar Sheikh, 12, from the village of Biddu; Malik Muhammad Hmeid, Ahmad Bakr Rabiaa, and Mubin Muhammad Ibrahim Jumhur from Beit Annan; and Mustafa Ahmad Hamed, 17, from Anata in eastern Jerusalem. (Maannews 25 January 2017)
- Israeli settlers took over a storage unit formerly belonging to the Sub Laban family on the ground floor of their apartment building in the Old City of occupied East Jerusalem. An Israeli family living below them drilled through the wall into the Sub Laban storage space, seemingly with the intention of expanding their apartment unit. The settlers were given ownership of the storage unit following a controversial Israeli Supreme Court ruling in December which concluded a decades-long legal battle between the family and Israeli settlers. The ruling allowed Sub Laban's parents, Noura and Mustafa Sub Laban, to reside in the apartment for 10 more years, but ordered the eviction of Ahmad, his wife, two children, and siblings. Sub Laban told Ma'an that while the settlers were given the storage unit by the Israeli Supreme Court, they had not undergone the proper legal channels to take over the property, and instead drilled through the wall and changed the locks of the unit from the inside, preventing the family from entering the space. The Israeli police were called to the scene, but did not force the settlers out of the unit and told the family that the space no longer belonged to them. According to Sub Laban, the settlers were prevented by the police from continuing with the wall demolition, as they had not obtained proper construction permits. The Sub Laban family are the last Palestinian family left in their apartment building in the Aqbat al-Khaldiya area of the Old City, where at least eight other Palestinian families are facing eviction spearheaded by Israeli settler organizations. The family has been targeted by settlers since the 1970s, shortly after the passage of Israel's 1970 Legal and Administrative Matter Law, which states that Jews are permitted to claim property that was owned by Jewish people before the establishment of Israel in 1948. The apartment was initially rented by the family from Jordan's Custodian of Enemy Property, which controlled property belonging to Jews before the 1948 Arab-Israeli war. According to Palestinian rights group BADIL, the former Jewish properties were used by the Jordanian government in various ways, including for Palestinians who were displaced from their homes during the 1948 war and the establishment of the state of Israel.

However, settlers have failed to evict the Sub Labans due to the family's protected tenancy, referring to rental agreements many Palestinians held with the Jordanian government which protected them from eviction. Israeli authorities allowed Palestinian families to keep the status for three generations, however Israeli courts have ruled that Sub Laban and his siblings no longer hold the protected status, and therefore must leave their home, a ruling which the Sub Labans have contested. (Maannews 26 January 2017)

- Hebrew media sources unveiled an Israeli scheme to establish a new settlement outpost in the site of Jerusalem airport on the lands of Qalandia village to the north of occupied Jerusalem. The construction will start by building 8 thousand settlement units. According to the Hebrew newspaper, Haaretz, Nir Barkat, mayor of Jerusalem, instructed the planning crews in Jerusalem Municipality to submit a comprehensive plan to establish the new settlement next to an industrial area called "Atarot". As directed by Barkat, the plan will include the construction of 8 thousand settlement units allocated to Haredi (ultra-Orthodox) Jewish groups in addition to an industrial and commercial area opposite to the Jewish neighborhood which will occupy a large area of the airport's site. The target site of this settlement project is located near Qalandia village in occupied Jerusalem which witnessed large-scale demolitions of Palestinian citizens' houses in July 2016. Jerusalem Municipality said that directives were given to the Ministry of Interior to transfer 200 dunums classified as industrial area to residential area. The municipality also issued instructions to draw a plan for the establishment of an industrial and commercial area opposite to the new settlement neighborhood to provide job opportunities for its inhabitants in the future. ([PNN](#) 27 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained at least eight Palestinians during overnight raids in the occupied Palestinian territory. The three minors were detained in Jerusalem, without specifying if they were detained in occupied East Jerusalem or in the Jerusalem district of the West Bank. The two were identified as Laith Abd al-Rabbu, 17, and Nadim Mujahid, 16. (Maannews 29 January 2017)
- Around 35 Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Police raided Al Aqsa Mosque from Bab Al Magharba (Al Mughrabi Gate) and carried out provocative tours in its court yards. (Safa 29 January 2017)
- A unit of undercover Israeli forces detained a Palestinian from the town of Hizma in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem, while he was standing in front of a shop in the center of

Hizma. The Israeli troops immediately stormed the village to protect the undercover agents, prompting clashes with local young men. (Maannews 30 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Abed abed and Ra'fat Al Hathalin from Ar Ram city north of Jerusalem city and took them to one the Israeli detention centers nearby. (Wafa 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Biddu village northwest of Jerusalem city. (Wafa 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian from Qatanna village northwest of Jerusalem city. (Wafa 30 January 2017)
- Five Palestinians were detained from across the Jerusalem-area villages of Qatanna, Biddu, and al-Ram. The detainees were identified as Mahmoud Muhammad Taha, Ahmad Issa Mansour, Hamad Nasser al-Khadour and former prisoners Muhammad Abed and Rafat al-Hathalin. (Maannews 30 January 2017)
- A group of 24 Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Police raided Al Aqsa Mosque and carried out provocative celebrations in the court yard of Al Aqsa Mosque. (Wafa 30 January 2017)
- Large Civil Administration and Border Police forces arrived at the community of Badu al-Baba, located near al-'Eizariyah, northeast of Jerusalem. The forces destroyed tents that were the homes of three families, and two livestock pens, leaving 17 people, including 9 minors, homeless. The forces did not allow the families to remove all of their belongings from the tents and pens before the demolition, resulting in extensive property damage. (BTSELEM 30 January 2017)
- A Palestinian resident of occupied East Jerusalem was sentenced to life in prison by an Israeli court and was identified as Khalid Kutina, a resident of the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood of occupied East Jerusalem. (Maannews 31 January 2017)

## Hebron

- Three settlers were arrested after they entered territory near Sussiya defying an IDF order banning them from the area near the Palestinian village. The settlers allegedly wrote the word “revenge” and a Star of David in stones near the village. Police arrived on the scene after the IDF, which sought to clear the settlers from the area. However, the settlers resisted IDF efforts. With a population of only 400, the Palestinian village of Sussiya has garnered international attention as it faces a demolition order from the government. ([IPOST](#) 1 January 2017).

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Hebron Governorate. The IOA first raided Al Fawwar refugee camp and arrested Rani Mouhamamd Abdel Rahman (15 years). The IOA also arrested Bajes Hasan As Suweiti from Beit Awwa town west of Hebron city and Zeid Zeidan Al Rajabi from Hebron Old city. (Shasha 1 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched a house belonging to Zaid Zaidan al-Rajbi (23) in the Hebron's Old City and then arrested him. (PCHRGAZA 01 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) moved into Beit 'Awa village, southwest of Dura, southwest of Hebron. They raided and searched a house belonging to Bajes Hasan al-Suwaiti (30) and then arrested him. Israeli forces claimed they were looking for weapons in the area. (PCHRGAZA 01 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) moved into al-Fawar refugee camp, south of Hebron. They raided and searched a house belonging to Mohammed Abdul Raman Ehdeeb (47) and then arrested his son Rani (15). (PCHRGAZA 01 January 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) prevented a number of Palestinian workers affiliated to the Hebron Rehabilitation committee from continuing their work to renovate buildings located in Ash Shuhada Street, Tel Rumeida and Jabal Al Rahma in the heart of Hebron city. The IOA raiding the house of Abu Haikal family located at the entrance of Ash Shuhada Street which has been undergoing some restoration and maintenance work and detained workers at the site. (WAFa 2 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) moved into Beit Ummer village, north of Hebron, and stationed in Khelet al-'Ein neighbourhood. They raided and searched 2 houses belonging to Yusuf Mohammed Kamel Za'ariq (26) and Anwar Yusuf Khair 'Awad (22) and then arrested them. The Israeli forces then took the arrested civilians to a detention centre in "Gush Etzion" settlement complex, south of Bethlehem. (PCHRGAZA 02 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) moved into the southern area in Hebron. They raided and searched a house belonging to Naser Rab'i Abu Suneinah (25 years). (PCHRGAZA 02 January 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Hebron Governorate. The three were identified as: Yousif Muhammad Z'ageeq (26 Years), a former prisoner who spent 4 years in the Israeli jail; and Anwar Yousif Awad (22 Years) who also spent 2 years in the Israeli jail and Naser Rib'I Abu Sneineh. (Shasha 2 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Abu Suneinah neighborhood, south of Hebron. They raided and searched a house belonging to Abdullah Mohammed 'Arif al-Atrash (45), damaged the house contents and then beat Abdullah with their rifles. They also searched a car workshop belonging to Abdullah and damaged cars spare parts for. They also damaged a NIS 6000 machine used for welding and pulling cars. Moreover, Israeli forces questioned Abdullah's son Ahmed (4) claiming they search for weapons. As a result, the child panicked. They also questioned Abdullah's eldest son Mohammed (17) who was then handcuffed and taken to an abandoned store where Israeli forces severely beat him. Israeli forces later withdrew from the house, but no arrests were reported. However, Abdullah missed NIS 10,000 and was not given any document of the confiscation. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Idhna village, west of Hebron, and stationed in 'Aziz neighborhood, west of the village. They raided and searched 2 houses belonging to Rezeq Khalil Tamizi (38), Ghassan Abdul 'Athim al-Qaisi (33) and then arrested them. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Yatta, south of Hebron, and stationed in Ruq'aah neighborhood. They raided and searched a house belonging to Murad Ahmed Nawaj'ah (29) and then arrested him. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Hebron and stationed in al-Ja'abari neighborhood, south of the city. They raided and searched a house belonging to 'Ali Saber al-Ja'abari (30) and then arrested him. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Bani Na'im village, east of Hebron. They raided and searched a house belonging to Sayel Abdul Mahdi Zaidat (36) and then arrested him and his brother Ziyad (25). (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Hebron and stationed in Khelet Nafisah neighbourhood. They raided and searched a house belonging to Mohammed Ahmed Abu Fonunah (50) and then withdrew, but no arrests were reported. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Hebron and stationed in al-Sharif Mount neighbourhood. They raided and searched a house belonging to Fathi Zakaryah Maswadah. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up two military checkpoints at Adh Dahriya town entrance and Al Fawwar refugee camp. (Wafa 4 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Sair town east of Hebron city and arrested Yousif Abed Rabbu Kawazba (34 Years) and Hamza Mahmoud Ash Shahateet from the town. The IOA also arrested Hamza and Omar Abdel Halim At Talahma from Kharsa village south of Hberon city, and Anas Khalil Al 'Alami (22 Years) from Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city after raiding his family home. (Wafa 4 January 2017)
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- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Kharsa village, south of Dura, southwest Hebron. They raided and searched a number of houses and then arrested 3 civilians namely Omer Abdul Halim al-Talahmah (26), his brother Mahmud (19) and Hamzah 'Ayed Shahatit (22). (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Beit Ummer village, north of Hebron, and stationed in 'Asidah neighborhood. They raided and searched a house belonging to Anas Khalil al-'Alami (22) and then arrested him. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into al-Fawar refugee camp, south of Hebron. They raided and searched 4 houses from which they arrested Ahmed Mahmud Abu Wardah (35), Mustafa Jawad Selmi (19), Mohammed Akram Jouah (17) and Basel Saber Joudah (17). (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Sa'ir village, east of Hebron. They raided and searched a house belonging to Yusuf Kawazbah (40) and then arrested him. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) halted the construction of an agricultural road in Al Burj village in the southern Hebron Governorate under the pretext of its close proximity of the route of the Segregation Wall. (Wafa 05 January 2017).
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) accompanied by members of the Israeli Civil Administration raided Tarqumyia town west of Hebron city and notified to halt the construction of the under-construction house of Alaa Ghazi Qa'qour for the second time under the pretext of unlicensed building. (Wafa 05 January 2017).
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) summoned Samer Eid Halayqa from Ash Shuyoukh village east of Hebron city for interrogation in the

Gush Etzion settlement bloc after raiding his house and causing damages to the contents. (Wafa 06 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. (WAFSA 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. (WAFSA 07 January 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers attacked the house of Imad Abu Shamsieh who videotaped the death of Abdel Fattah Ash Shareif in Hebron city at the hands of the Israeli soldiers. Settlers hurled stones at the house. (NBPRS 08 January 2017).
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided AT Tabaqa and Kharsa villages in Dura town, raided a number of homes in the aforementioned villages and detained two Palestinians, Ayman Abdel Naser Ad Darabee' (12 Years) and Ali Al Koumi (18 Years). The IOA interrogated the two detained Palestinians before again releasing them. (WAFSA 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the entrance of Al Fawwar Refugee camp with an Iron gate, set up a military checkpoint and searched Palestinian vehicles causing obstruction to the Palestinian vehicular and Pedestrian movement. (WAFSA 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the iron gate located at the entrance of Sair village and hindered the Palestinian entry/exit to and from the village through the Israeli bypass road No. 60. The IOA also raided a number of homes in the village and carried out thorough search. (SAFA 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Nidal Omar Al Froukh from Sair village at a sudden checkpoint that was erected near the city of Bethlehem and took him to unknown destination. (SAFA 10 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) threatened to halt the construction of two residencies in Al Fakheit village in Massafer Yatta in the southern Hebron city. The two residencies are owned by Muhei Abu Sabha and Muhamamd Ayyoub Abu Sabha and were built with the help of the Italian cooperation donation. (WAFSA 09 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Jameel Masharqa in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city. (SAFA 10 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) searched the house of Suleiman Ali Muhamamd Abu Ayyash in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city, confiscated his wife's car, money, Jewelry and their personal computer. (SAFA 10 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the hosue of Mahmoud Muhammad Darweesh Adi from Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city, searched it and confiscated an amount of money before leaving the house. (SAFA 10 January 2017)
- In Idhna town west of Hebron city, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Issa Al Batran, thoroughly searched it and messed with the contents. (SAFA 10 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian near Gush Etzion Junction north of Hebron city under the pretext of carrying out a terror attack. (SHASHA 10 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Qusai Ahmad Khalil Abu Hashem (16 Years) after raiding his family house in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city and confiscated NIS 2,500. The IOA also summoned his father for interrogation at the Gush Etzion Settlement bloc. (SAFA 10 January 2017)
- A number of Palestinians suffered gas inhalation as the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired tear-gas bombs at Palestinians in Ath Thaher area near Karnei Zur settlement north of Hebron city. (Wafa 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained, for half an hour, a Palestinian Photographer, Mashhour Al Wahwah, working for Wafa news agency near Kiryat Arba settlement in Hebron city and three other Palestinians working for Palestine TV station. The three detainees were identified as Thaer Faqousa, Sari Al Uweiwi, Jihad Al Qawasma and Alaa Haddad. The IOA also confiscated their tools and cameras. (Wafa 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Arroub refugee camp north of Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as Ayham Adawi (13 years) and Jaber Ribhi Al Badawi (14 Years). The IOA raided the camp and fired tear-gas and sound bombs at Palestinians. Several Palestinians suffered gas-Inhalation. (SAFA 11 January 2017))
- Israeli settlers attempted to break into the Hebron home of activist Imad Abu Shamsiyya and threw stones at the house as he has continued to be the target of death threats and harassment after he

filmed an Israeli soldier shoot a Palestinian to death last year. Since his footage went viral the day of the shooting back in March 2015, Abu Shamsiyya has been the target of violent settler incursions on his home and has received hundreds of death threats online. Settlers gathered around his house, and when they failed to break in, they hurled stones, causing minor damages. A Large numbers of Israeli forces were present when the settlers attacked the house and soldiers intervened and drove away the attackers. (Maannews 11 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Bulldozers razed the main road that links Masafer Yatta with Bani Na'im village south of Hebron city, in Al Buweib area. The road extends a length of 2-3 kilometers and was rehabilitated with the help of external donation. ([SAFA](#), Wafa 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detonated a suspected object in the vicinity of the Ibrahim Mosque in the heart of Hebron city. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- Tens of Palestinians suffered Gas Inhalation during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city. The IOA hindered Palestinians from their reaching the town's cemetery through the main road which led to clashes with the Palestinians, during which, the IOA fired tear gas and sound bombs at Palestinians. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a workshop in Hebron city, confiscated equipment and ordered to close the workshop. (RB2000 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian driver in the southern occupied West Bank district of Hebron Governorate. The driver hit a parked vehicle at a checkpoint near the illegal settlement of Otniel when the IOA asked him to reverse for an identity check. The Palestinian driver then drove forward in the direction of Israeli troops, without causing any injuries, and fled to a nearby gas station. The IOA forces followed the vehicle to the gas station where they shot at the car's tires and apprehended the driver, identified as a resident of the nearby village of al-Rihiya. (Maannews 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army arrested Fares Musa Al Khmour from Bani Na'im village east of Hebron city after raiding his workplace. (Safa 12 January 2017).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Bayyada area in Beit Ummer town and stormed the house of Abdel Qader Muhammad Ikhleil. The IOA searched the house and confiscated the car of his son, Khaldoun (30 Years), who was arrested on the 8<sup>th</sup> of January 2017. (Maannews 12 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ibrahim Hijazi Ibrahim Al Harsh from Ar Rayhiyeh south of Hebron city after firing at his vehicle at a sudden checkpoint that was set up on the road connecting Ar Rayhieh village with Yatta town. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided a number of Metal Lathe shops in Al Fahs area south of Hebron city in the southern West Bank. The IOA destroyed the door-entrances of the shops and carried thorough search. (Wafa 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained seven Palestinians during overnight raids. Three detentions from Beit Anan village west of Ramallah city in the central West Bank, and one from the southern West Bank village of Bani Naim in the Hebron district. Three others were detained after the IOA allegedly found two locally-made weapons in the vehicle they were driving, south of Nablus in the northern West Bank. The detainees were transferred to Israeli intelligence for interrogation. (ARIJ & Maannews 13 January 2017)
- An Israeli military court decided to extend the detentions of 13-year-old Jabir Rebhi Badawi and 14 year-old Ayham Muhammad Adawi from the al-Arrub refugee camp in the southern occupied West Bank Hebron Governorate until January 15 to continue interrogation. The IOA detained Badawi and Adawi on January 11 while the two were returning back home from school. (Maannews 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot tear gas canisters at Palestinians in the village of Beit Ummar in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, causing a number of Palestinians to suffer tear gas inhalation. Israeli soldiers had stormed the al-Bayyada area of the village and seized a Palestinian vehicle, prompting clashes to erupt between the soldiers and the village's residents. The confiscated car belonged to Ibrahim Khalil Kamel Ikhleil. (MAANNEWS 14 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted Citizen Ramez Rami Al Ja'bari (11 Years) from the southern Hebron areas and injured him. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Khallet Al 'Ein area in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city, raided the home of a former prisoner, namely Waheed Hamdi Zamel Abu Maria (50 Years) and summoned him and his son, Muhammad (15 Years), for interrogation in the Gush Etzion settlement block north of Beit Ummer Town. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Hamza Odeh Halayqa from Hebron Governorate. (Wafa 15 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ahmad Muhammad Ar Rjoub (45 Years) after raiding and searching his house. The arrestee was taken to unknown destination. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Military court sentenced citizen Jaber Ribhi Badawi (13 Years) from Al Arroub refugee camp north of Hebron Governorate to 31 days in the Israeli jails and fined him 3000 NIS allegedly for throwing stones at Israeli military Jeeps while on his way back home from school. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Saleh Daoud Al Rajabi from Zeif village in the southern Hebron city. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a temporary checkpoint at the entrance of Ad Dahiriya town in Hebron Governorate, stopped Palestinian vehicles and check Palestinian ID cards. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a temporary checkpoint at the main road near Al Fawwar Refugee camp in Hebron Governorate, detained Palestinian youth, searched their vehicles and checked ID cards. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated the equipment of a lathe workshop owned by Ahmad Muneer Jawabrah in Al Arroub refugee camp north of Hebron city. (Wafa 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched a number of homes in Al Arroub refugee camp north of Hebron city belonging to Jaber Abu Sel and Mu'ath Ahmad Musa At Titi. (Wafa 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Ath Thaher area near Karnei Zur Settlement, stormed and searched a number of homes and arrested citizen Abdel Naser Abu Maria (18 Years) . (Wafa 16 January 2017)
- The regional council of Mitzpe Yeshai settlement is carrying out expansion on 20 dunums of agricultural lands in Wad Zahra area in Kafr Qaddum village. The expansion work is being carried out in the eastern part of the settlement to add new buildings and public services in the area. (N B P R S 16 J a n u a r y 2 0 1 7 )
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched the house of Bassam Mahmoud Abdel Fattah At Teet from Safa area in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city. The IOA caused a state of fear among residents. (SAFA 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians from Hebron Governorate. The four were identified as Raheeb Yousif Mughannam (18 Years), Muhye Salah Abu Maria (18 Years), Hareth

- Ibrahim Tumeizi and Safwat Jihad Tumeizi (36 Years). (Maanews 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Safa area in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city and stormed the house of Bassam Mahmoud Abdel Fattah At Teet. The IOA searched the house and took photos of family members' ID cards. (SAFA 18 January 2017).
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians from Hebron Governorate and were identified as Muhamamd Khaled Abu Sel (26 years), Muhammad Nour Ghaith, Ahmad Haitham Abu Atwan (18 Years) from Dura Town and Ihab Ismaeil Sharawnah. (Maanews 18 January 2017)
  - An Israeli settler ran over a four-year-old Palestinian child in the southern part of Hebron city in the occupied West Bank. Layan Ayed al-Razem, 4 was crossing the street in the Jabal Jales area of southern Hebron city when an Israeli settler ran her over with his car. Al Razem suffers from bruises all over her body, mainly on her right leg. (Maanews 18 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a military checkpoint at the entrance of Ad Dahriya town in Hebron Governorate. (Wafa 18 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a military checkpoint at the entrance of Idhna town in Hebron Governorate, carried out strict inspection to Palestinian vehicles and checked Palestinians' ID cards. (Wafa 18 January 2017).
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Bani Neim town in Hebron Governorate, before storming and violently searching a home belonging to Fakhri Zeidat. (Maanews 19 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched homes in Taffouh town, west of Hebron, and interrogated several Palestinians. (IMEMC 19 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) installed a roadblock at the main entrance of the Adh Dahriya town, south of Hebron, stopped and searched dozens of cars, and interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting the ID cards. (IMEMC 19 January 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian from the town of Beit Ummar. The IOA invaded the home of Montaser Wajeeh Shehda, 26, and violently searched it, before abducting him. (IMEMC 19 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Mutaser Wajeeh Aby Ayyash and Muhammad Zeidat from Hebron Governorate. (Wafa 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Surif town, northwest of the southern West Bank city of Hebron, and detained a retired Palestinian Lieutenant, after breaking into his home and searching it. The detained Palestinian was identified as Hatem Hasan Eghneimat. The IOA cuffed and blindfolded Eghneimat, and took him to the Etzion detention and interrogation center, where he remained held for several hours before being released. (IMEMC 20 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian from the Hebron-area village of Wadi Semaan. (Mannnews January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a former Palestinian prisoner, Randa Ash Shahateet while trying to cross a sudden checkpoint that was set up at the entrance of Al Fawwar Refugee camp south of Hebron city. The IOA stopped Ash Shahateet's car and arrested her. (SAFA 20 January 2017)
- Dozens of American flags have been raised at the junctions and roads leading to the Gush Etzion Israeli settlement, built on Palestinian lands south of the West Bank city of Bethlehem, as the "Settlements Council" is preparing to celebrate Trump's inauguration and the pending approval of 2700 new colonialist units. The settlers started raising the American flags on electric poles and junctions in preparation for their celebration of U.S. President-elect Donald Trump, which they say is the first step for the approval of thousands of units, in the occupied West Bank. (IMEMC 20 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Asida and At Tarbiqa areas in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city and summoned a number of Palestinians for interrogation at the Gush Etzion Settlement Bloc. A former prisoner identified as Ashraf Ali Sabarneh (30 Years) was among the summoned Palestinians. (Wafa 21 January 2017 )
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned the Mother of a Palestinian prisoner, Ahmad Abu Sel, from Al Arroub refugee camp north of Hebron city for interrogation at the Gush Etzion military bloc. (SAFA 21 January 2017 )
- In the Hebron Governorate, The Israeli occupation Army detained a Palestinian girl identified as Thuraya Abu Sil, as well as Mahmoud Abu al-Zgharit in the al-Arrub refugee camp. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army detained Muhammad Ahmad al-Hur from Surif town in Hebron. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army detained Muhammad Abd al-Halim Sawaifa in the old city of Hebron. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian citizen from Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city at a military checkpoint that was erected at the entrance of Halhul town. The arrestee was identified as Ahmad Abdullah Abu Ayyash (27 Years) and was taken to unknown destination. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Waheed Ibraheem Musa Abu Maria (21 Years ) and Ameen Imad Muhammad Al Sleibi (15 Years) after searching their homes and messing with the contents. The IOA took the two arrestees to Etzion Military Camp. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Yacoub Yusri Iskafi (25 Years) from Aqbat Tafuh west of Hebron city and took him to unknown destination. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided several Palestinian homes in Tafuh village, and messed with their contents. The targeted homes belong to Muhannad Rasmi Irzeiqat, Muhammad Mahmoud Irzeiqat, Ahmad Yousif Irzeiqat and Azmi Azzam Irzeiqat. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up sudden checkpoints at the entrances of Sair and As Samou villages and at Hebron's northern entrance. The IOA stopped Palestinian vehicles and checked Palestinian ID cards. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- In the southern Hebron Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained at least two Palestinian men and confiscated equipment from a blacksmith workshop during overnight military raids. The IOA raided the village of Dura and detained Izz al-Din Jamil al-Titi from his home. (Maannews 25 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Sair, detaining Suhaib Hussein Jaradat. (Maannews 25 January 2017)
- The wife of Palestinian journalist and hunger striker Muhammad al-Qiq was delivered an interrogation summon with Israeli intelligence during a raid to the village of Sair in Hebron Governorate. Al-Qiq was re-detained by Israeli forces earlier this month after participating in a protest in Bethlehem held to demand the release of bodies of slain Palestinians held in Israeli custody. (Maannews 25 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Surif and sealed a Palestinian-owned blacksmith workshop after confiscating equipment. (Maannews 25 January 2017)
- Two additional detentions were carried out in the al-Fawwar refugee camp in Hebron. (Maannews 25 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers escorted by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) uprooted 260 olive trees in an area west of the village of Kharas in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. Three Israeli bulldozers escorted by Israeli forces uprooted the olive trees, all more than 14 years old, planted on 25 dunams (six acres) of land. The IOA uprooted the trees without prior notice, and that Palestinian owners of the land were embroiled in court disputes as Israeli authorities have attempted to issue confiscation orders for the land. One of the owners of the land, Faisal Moussa al-Hroub, said that the Israeli authorities were attempting to expel them from their lands. The olive trees uprooted by Israeli forces were owned by him and his brother Muhammad, and that the land was the only major income for them and scores of his relatives. (LRC, Maannews 26 January 2017)
- Palestinian prisoner Randa al-Shahatit, a resident of the southern occupied West Bank Hebron-area village of Dura, began an open hunger strike in protest of her ongoing detention by Israeli occupation Army (IOA). Israel's Ofer military court extended al-Shahatit's detention in Israel's HaSharon prison to 12 days, until Feb. 6, leading her to open a hunger strike after she had been "returning main meals" for a few days prior. Al-Shahatit, a former prisoner and mother of three, was detained on January 20th for unspecified reasons. After spending several years in Israeli jails, al-Shahatit was released in 2011 as part of the Shalit Deal (Maannews 27 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) carried out search and detention raids in the Hebron-area villages of al-Dhahiriya, al-Samu and Dura, with Israeli forces detaining three teens from Dura. The three detainees from Dura were identified as Ayed Jamal Amr, Ali Mteir and Saddam Mwaffaq al-Talahmeh, all 17 years old. (Maannews 27 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided several houses in al-Dhahiriya and al-Samou and set up checkpoints in southern Hebron searching vehicles and IDs of passengers. (Maannews 27 January 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attempted to obstruct a volunteering event with Hebron-based Youth Against Settlements (YAS) in the area of Tel Rumeida in the occupied West Bank. The group had organized a volunteering day to restore an old Palestinian factory that was closed by the IOA during the second intifada in order to transform it into a cinema.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) tightened their measures at Palestinian roads in the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The IOA set up a military checkpoint at the entrance of Al Fawwar refugee camp which connects with the road leading to Beir Al Sabe'

community, stopped Palestinian cars and checked ID cards. (Wafa 29 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Ayyad Awwad, 26-year-old Mahmoud Haitham al-Salibi, who spent three years in Israeli prisons, was detained from the Hebron-area village of Beit Ummar. (Maannews 30 January 2017)
- In Beit Ummar, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) summoned 37-year-old former prisoner Yousif Badr Ikhlayyil, who had spent four years in Israeli custody, for interrogation at the Gush Etzion detention center. (Maannews 30 January 2017)
- Mazen Abu Atwan, Munir Samir Abu Sharar, and Khalil Ahmad Amro were detained from the village of Dura in Hebron Governorate, while Islam al-Asafin was detained from the city of Hebron. (Maannews 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Raed Abdel Afou Al 'Amleh from Beit Ula town northwest of Hebron city and summoned him for interrogation after searching his house. The IOA also raided the house of his brother and summoned him for Interrogation at the Gush Etzion Detention center. (SAFA 31 January 2017)

## Qalqilyah

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Qalqilyah. They raided and searched a number of houses and then arrested 3 civilians namely Haitham Nabil Hasanin (26), Aans Mamdouh Maskawi (25) and Anas Jamal al-Haj Hasan (26). The IOA withdrew and took them to an unknown destination. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) notified two Palestinian families in Jinsafut village east of Qalqilyia city to halt the construction of their barracks under the pretext of unlicensed building. The barracks are owned by Majed Sukkar and Abdel Fattah Basheer. (Wafa 4 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Samer Said Radwan from Azzun village east of Qalqilyia city in the northern West Bank. (RB2000 4 January 2017)

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- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the weekly march in the village of Kafr Qaddum in the occupied West Bank Governorate of

- Qalqilyia causing dozens to suffer tear gas inhalation. The weekly protest was held against the Israeli settlement activities in the village and demanding for the opening of the village's main road which has been closed by the IOA for more than 14 years. (Wafa 06 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Hilmi Shteivi in Kafr Qaddum village, tried to set up a trap for Palestinians participating in the weekly march in an attempt to arrest them. No arrests were reported. (Wafa 06 January 2017)
  - 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 Izbet At Tabib, Azzun and An Nabi Elias village in Qalqilyia Governorate in the occupied West Bank. The IOA also imposed a closure on Izbet At Tabib village and detained a number of protestors. (Wafa 07 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers razed and under the cover of the Israeli Army destroyed 800 Olive trees in the villages of Izbet At Tabib, Azzun and An Nabi Elias in Qalqilyia Governorate as part of the construction of a new bypass road connecting illegal settlements in the area to Israel,. The new bypass road will cause the confiscation of 104 dunums of Palestinian land. (Maannews, Wafa 16 January 2017).
  - Israeli settlers attacked a number of Palestinian cars with stones driving on Nablus-Qalqilyia road causing damages to a number of cars. N injuries were reported. (Wafa 08 January 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) assaulted a an elderly Palestinian woman during an overnight raid in the village of Kafr Qaddum in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliya. The IOA broke into the home of Shafiqa Ahmad Abd al-Qadir Jumaa late at night and fired tear gas inside her house, causing her to suffer from tear gas inhalation. Jumaa also sustained minor bruises during the raid. (Maannews 10 January 2017)
  - The IOA raided the homes of Hamza Jum'a, Abdel Latif Jum'a, Akef Jum'a, Majed Abdel Mu'men and Abdel Mannan Jum'a in the village of Kafr Qaddum in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliya. (Wafa 10 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected checkpoints at the entrance of Qalqiliya city, and the villages of Azzun and Hijeh. The IOA searched Palestinian vehicles in the area and checked IDs of any passengers. (Maannews 11 January 2017)
  - In the village of Kafr Qaddum in the Qalqiliya Governorate, hundreds of village residents, international, and Israeli peace activists used Kafr Qaddum's weekly march to demand that all countries participate in the upcoming Paris peace conference set to be held on Jan. 15 and

adopt serious measures that can end the Israeli occupation and establish a Palestinian state with East Jerusalem as its capital. Demonstrators demanded that the international community make the anti-settlement UNSC resolution passed last month a reality in the occupied Palestinian territory, by forcing the Israeli government to evacuate all settlements in the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, that obstruct the potential for peace in the region. Demonstrators also held signs demanding that countries participating in the Paris peace conference take a serious stand against attempts at moving the US embassy in Israel to Jerusalem. (Maannews 13 January 2017)

- **Some 1,000 olive trees uprooted to build bypass road on ‘Azzun village land:** Israeli laborers began uprooting olive trees and leveling land near the Palestinian villages of ‘Azzun and a-Nabi Elias in Qalqilyah Governorate, under the supervision of Civil Administration (CA) personnel. This work is being carried out as part of the decision made by the military and the CA to build a bypass road to replace the section of Route 55 that runs through a-Nabi Elias. Route 55 originally served as the main link between Nablus and Qalqilyah and was one of the major traffic arteries in the West Bank. On 21 December 2015, the head of the Civil Administration issued an expropriation order for 10.4 hectares of land earmarked for the bypass road. The order noted that the new road will “serve the public good” and improve mobility between Nablus and Qalqilyah. In March 2016, the Palestinian village councils and landowners petitioned Israel’s High Court of Justice (HCJ) against the expropriation, on the grounds that the road will not serve all residents of the area but only settlers. On 16 November 2016, the HCJ denied the petition after accepting the state’s claim that the road is intended to serve the entire population of the area. The seizure of the land and uprooting of olive trees have severely harmed the landowners, who have lost a source of income and a major financial asset, as well as an open space that served all local residents for leisure and recreational activities. ([BTSELEM](#) 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested an international activist while protesting against the uprooting of Trees in the eastern part of Qalqilyia Governorate for the construction of a new bypass road. The IOA declared the area as a closed military zone. (WAFSA 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Abdel Rahman Abu Haniya (22 Years) from Qalqilyia Governorate. (Maannews 17 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from Azzun village in eastern Qalqiliya. The three from Azzun village were identified as Kathem MufeedRadwan (24 Years), Mu'men Farouq Abu Haniyah (25 Years) and Muhammad Naser Al Jbour (55 Years). (Maannews 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from Qalqilyia Governorate. The arrestees were identified as: Yousif Yaser Sweilem (23 Years), Abdel Raheem Bilal Radwan (23 Years), and Shaher Hisham Adwan (42 Years). (Wafa 19 January 2017)
- The village of Kafr Qaddum in the northern West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliya used their weekly march to condemn the raid on Umm Hiran and also drew attention to the potential moving of the US embassy to Jerusalem. Hundreds of village residents participated in the protest, along with international solidarity activists. Protesters held signs that read "Jerusalem will only be the capital of Palestine," and shouted slogans denouncing the nearly half-century occupation of the West Bank. As a result, clashes erupted with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) who had entered the village with an Israeli bulldozer and Israeli military jeeps, and attacked the protesters. no detentions were carried out and no injuries were reported. (Maannews 20 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Ma'moun Shtewi from Kafr Qaddum village in Qalqilyia Governorate during clashes with the Palestinians in the village. Clashes erupted after the IOA tried to suppress the non-violent weekly protest in the village demanding the opening of the road that has been closed for 14 years. Another Palestinian identified as Awad Mansour (12 Years) was injured in the head. (Wafa 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army detained Ahmad Nour Nour al-Din Rayan, 15, from the Qalqiliya-area village of Azzun. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Civil Administration delivered halt of construction orders to a house and a barracks owned by Muhamamd Sh'our and Ayman Shu'our in Arab Ar Ramadeen Al Janubi in Qalqilyah Governorate. (ALQUDS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Civil Administration delivered halt of construction orders to Iyad Al Akhras and Adham Saleem in Azzun village in Qalqilyia Governorate. (ALQUDS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Yazan Muhamamd Abu Hamed (22 Years) from Qalqilyia City and took him to unknown destination. (Wafa 24 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinian youths during a raid on the Azzun village in eastern Qalqiliya in the northern occupied West Bank. The IOA raided Azzun and searched several homes before detaining Hasan Abu Haniyeh and Zaid Ali Adwan. (Maannews 26 January 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Azzun town in eastern Qalqiliya at dawn. Fifteen houses were searched and four youths were detained. The detainees were identified as Omar Mahmoud Salim, Walid Anan Sweidan, Saher Judat Majd and Ramez Saher Shalu. (Maannews 27 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian from Qalqiliya city, one from the Ramallah-area Qalandiya refugee camp, and two from the Hebron district. (Maannews 27 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and settlers detained two Palestinian teens at gunpoint on Sunday near an illegal Israeli settlement east of Qalqilyia in the northern occupied West Bank, which alleged that the two Palestinians approached the settlement intending to carry out an attack. At least two Israeli settlers holding the Palestinian girl and boy at gunpoint while other Israeli settlers and forces looked on behind them. The two Palestinians were detained near the entrance of the illegal Israeli settlement of Karnei Shomron. The two teens were identified 15-year-old Marah Luay Jeidi and 16-year-old Salim Hani Abu Hamada. (Maannews 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at the vehicle of Adnan Fathi Mahmoud Daoud from Qalqilyia city under the pretext of not stopping his vehicle at the checkpoint established between Rafat And Az Zawiya villages west of Salfit city. The IOA later arrested him and confiscated his vehicle. (Wafa 30 January 2017)

## **Tubas**

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Bulldozers raided “Wadi Sneisel” area in Al Khan Al Ahmar community in occupied East Jerusalem and demolished the homes of six families, numbering 48 people, including 34 minors, and a livestock pen. Some of these families had already lost their homes in August 2015, when the authorities demolished seven homes in the community. ([BTSELEM](#) 02 January 2017)

- Israeli settlers set up a new outpost in the northern Jordan Valley in the occupied West Bank. Settlers added a residential room and an animal pin to the area known as “Al Mazoukeh”. The new established outpost is located in close proximity of Kherbit Samra and Kherbit Makhoul. (Wafa 4 January 2017)
- Tens of Israeli soldiers raided Al Farisiya village in Tubas Governorate in the northern Jordan Valley and toured in the agricultural lands and citizens’ homes. (WAFa 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians from Al Far’a refugee camp south of Tubas city in the northern West Bank. The arrestees were identified as Mahmoud Saleh Jabarin, Rabee Jamal Mubarak, Mahmoud Nathmi Abu Al Hasan and Qais Nash’at Abu Al Hasan. (SHASHA 10 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers demolished an 11 kilometers water pipeline that supplying water to four Palestinian communities – 22 families in Ar Ras Al Ahmar and 14 Families in Kherbit Al Hadidiya, in the northern Jordan Valley. The pipeline was funded by international NGO Action Against Hunger four years ago.. (Maannews, SHASHA 10 January 2017)
- A Palestinian man, Muhammad al-Salihi, 32, was shot and killed by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during an overnight raid in the al-Faraa refugee camp in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Tubas. Al-Salihi and his mother were surprised when the IOA entered and ransacked their homes. (Maannews 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Bulldozers razed an 1800 meters long Agricultural road in Kherbit Al Hadidiyah in the northern Jordan Valley. The road was rehabilitated with the help of external donation and under the supervision of the Italian GVC organization. (WAFa 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Kherbit Ar Ras Al Ahmar and Kherbit Al Hadidiya in Tubas Governorate in the northern Valleys and threatened to demolished the following: (1) Two halt of construction orders; (2) a 6-inches wide water pipeline owned by Al Furat Agricultural company; (3) a number of residential tents and barracks owned by citizen Rashed Abdullah Hussein Bisharat; (4) a halt of construction order to a fence that surrounds the land of Ahmad Al I’beisi; (5) another notification to the halt the construction of a 3-km long agricultural road that links Einun with Kherbit Yarza community. (WAFa 12 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities hindered Palestinian farmers from Ploughing their lands in Kherbit Al Himma and Khallet Hamd in the northern Jordan Valley. (SAFA 14 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated two agricultural tractors in Kherbit Ibziq village north of Tubas city. The tractor are owned by Fayez Nagnaghiyah and Memer Hroub. (Wafa 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested an injured Palestinian from Al Far'a refugee camp in Tubas Governorate. The arrestee was identified as Mahmoud Walweel. (Maanews 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) notified two Palestinian families from Kherbit Yarza and Al 'Aqaba village in Tubas Governorate with halt of construction orders to two barracks. The two Barracks are owned by Muhamamd Ali Masaied from Kherbit Yarza and Muhammad Yousif Dabak from Al 'Aqaba village. (Wafa 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhamamd Alawneh from Tubas Governorate. (Maanews 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian from the village of Kherbet Yarza, located in the Jordan Valley district of Tubas. (Maanews 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation army forced out dozens of Palestinians from their homes in the village of Kherbet al-Kurzaliya in the northern Jordan Valley to carry out military training exercises. Israeli troops started military drills with live ammunition in the village after evacuating residents. (Maanews 24 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) targeted local Palestinian farmers in Kherbit Deir Ibziq and Ar Ras Al Ahmar in the northern Jordan valley and imposed heavy fines on them (a sum of NIS 150,000 ) if they wish to restore their confiscated agricultural tractors. (ALQUDS 28 January 2017)
- In the northeastern West Bank, the brothers Sakhr and Muath Abd al-Rahim Bisharat were detained in the Jordan Valley, without giving further details. (Maanews 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli Civil Administration notified to demolish a house and a 2000 meters long water line in Kardala village in the northern Jordan Valley. The house is owned by Tareq Methqal Fuqaha and is 150 square meters area. (Wafa 31 January 2017)
- The Israeli Civil Administration took photos of structures owned by Muhamamd Salem Abu Zahu and Methqal Abdel Kareem Fuqaha in Kherbit Al Humsa in Tubas Governorate. (Wafa 31 January 2017)

## Ramallah

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed Atara military checkpoint north of Ramallah city and started inspecting Palestinian vehicles and interrogating citizens. (Safa 1 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) handed the Municipality Council in 'Aboud village, northwest of Ramallah, a military order to renew the confiscation of lands already confiscated. These 34.363-dunum lands are located near the eastern entrance to the village and belong to civilians from 'Aboud village. This order was issued on 28 December 2016 and emphasized on the right to challenge the order after three days of its issuance. The Council was informed on 01 January 2017, so the affected persons were deprived of their right to challenge the order. (PCHRGAZA & Raya 1 January 2017)
- The Israel Defense Forces approved an order which allows Israel to move the illegal West Bank outpost of Amona to adjacent lots, despite the fact that Palestinians claim the land as their own and contest the move's validity. The order, signed by OC Central Command Major Gen. Roni Numa, amends previous directives and relates to a number of lots near the outpost whose status as "abandoned [Palestinian] property is under examination. The plots in question are numbered 28, 29, 30, 38 and 54. Three are adjacent to one another and create territorial contiguity. All are within several hundred meters of Amona's current location, sometimes even closer. The Amona outpost, built illegally in the mid-1990s on private Palestinian land near the Ofra settlement in the central West Bank, was due to be evacuated in December. However, in the wake of a compromise reached between the settlers and the state, Israel's High Court approved a 45-day postponement of the move, until February 8. ([Haaretz](#) 2 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities installed 270 Surveillance cameras along the Israeli bypass Road No 443 which connects with Jerusalem. The cameras were installed under the pretext of the increasing "terror attacks" against Israeli settlers accessing the road, mainly on the road section passing through Beit Ur At Tahta village. (Safa 3 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Silwad village, northeast of Ramallah. They raided and searched houses belonging to Jihad Khaled Ghalyoun (32), Mohammed Abdul Nasser Hamed (20), Ayman Na'im Mar'I (33), Khalil Hasan Mar'I (35) and 'Awni Abdul Ghani Ibrahim Fares (41) and then arrested them. Israeli forces later withdrew taking all arrested persons to an unknown destination. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)

- The Israeli “Ofer” military court is set to hold today a hearing session on the issue of prisoner Nael Barghouthi, 59, which was one of the prisoners released during Shalit deal. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) authorities rearrested Al Barghouthi in June 2014, and sentenced him to imprisonment for 30 months. Note that prisoner Al Barghouthi was supposed to be released from prison on the 17 of December 2016; however the Israeli occupation authorities kept him under arrest. (Raya 3 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested six Palestinian citizens from Ramallah And Al Bireh Governorate. The arrestees were identified as: Awni Abdel Ghani Fares, Khaleel Hasan Hamed, Jihad Khaled Hamed, Muhamamd Abdel Naser Hamed, Ayman Mir'I Hamed and Abdel Haleem Abdullah Al Farakhnah. (Wafa 3 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a sick Palestinian citizen from Ramallah Governorate. The arrestee was identified as Ahmad Mahmoud Issa Khadour (16 Years). (Al Ayyam 4 January 2017)
- Four Israeli Military Jeeps raided Birzeit town north of Ramallah city in the early morning and toured in the streets and alleys. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) checked Palestinian ID cards; however, no arrests were reported. (Wafa 06 January 2017)
- In Bilin village in Ramallah Governorate, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas canisters and sound bombs at demonstrators participating in the weekly march against the construction of the wall and the Israeli settlement activities in the area, causing tens of Palestinian, foreign, and Israeli protesters to suffer from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews, Wafa 06 January 2017)
- Tens of Palestinian and foreign protesters suffered from tear gas inhalation after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the weekly march in Nilin village west of Ramallah city in the occupied West Bank against the construction of the Israeli Segregation Wall.
- The 15-year-old Tasnim Halabi from the town of Rammun in the central occupied West Bank Ramallah Governorate was sentenced a teenage Palestinian girl to 18 months in the Israeli prison. Halabi, was detained in April, 2016 and is currently being held at HaSharon prison. (Maannews 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli so-called "Civil Administration" (ICA) informed Palestinians who have documents prove their ownership of the land near the Israeli outpost "Amona" of its (ICA) intention to divide the ownership of land plots in the area. This measure aims at dividing the land in a way that would grant non-absentee Palestinians their lands in

the area while at the same time allowing settlers to take control of the remaining land plots belonging to Palestinian “Absentees”. ([NBPRS](#) 09 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired at a Palestinian citizen near Sinjil village north of Ramallah city, injured him in the leg and arrested him. The un-identified Palestinian was using the road connecting Ramallah with Nablus city from Sinjil’s eastern side. (RB2000 12 January 2017)
- Two Palestinian were injured in Bilin Village west of Ramallah city as the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the weekly protest against the Segregation Wall and the occupation in the village. The IOA fired teargas and sound bombs at Palestinians which led to the injury of Abdel Khaleq Burnat and Ashraf Abu Rahmeh. (Wafa 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the weekly protest against the Segregation Wall and the occupation in the village of Ni’lin west of Ramallah city. The IOA teargas and sound bombs at Palestinian protestors to disperse them. As a result, tens of Palestinians suffered gas inhalation. (Wafa 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) injured three Palestinian youths in al-Jalazoun refugee camp in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah with rubber-coated steel bullets, as clashes broke out between the IOA and Palestinian youth in the camp. during the clashes at the entrance of the camp, IOA shot rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas canisters at youth in the camp, injuring three. The IOA detained one of the injured youths. (Wafa 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians from Ramallah Governorate, namely Ez Mustafa (21 Years), ‘Alaa Mahmoud Zeid (16 Years), Mussallam Yousif Ghawanmah (17 Years) and Mustafa Ashraf Nakhlah (17 Years). (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a former Palestinian prisoner, Muhamamd Al Qeiq (34 Years), at Beit El Checkpoint north of Ramallah city in the central West Bank while on his way back home after participating in a protest held Bethlehem city demanding for the return of Palestinian Martyrs’ bodies detained by the Israeli Occupation Authorities. (SAFA 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Jalazoun refugee camp north of Ramallah city, stormed a number of Palestinian homes and searched them. During the raid, the IOA arrested Alaa Abu Jaber (19Years), Mustafa Ashraf Nakhleh (20 Years) and Mussallam Yousif

Ghawanmah and took them to an area near Beit El settlement. (SAFA 15 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Citizen Waleed Al Hodali from At Tira village in Ramallah Governorate. (SHASHA 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three former prisoners from Betuniya city in Ramallah Governorate. The arrestees were identified as: Ibrahim As Sabe', Muhmmad Dahleh, Muhammad Ali Qar'an. (SHASHA 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Citzien Shu'ja' Darweesh from Birzeit city in Ramallah Governorate. (SHASHA 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Citzien Jihad Mansour Kraja and his nephew Yazan Jad Nassar from Saffa village west of in Ramallah Governorate after raiding and searching their homes. (SHASHA 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested former prisoner Mahmoud Yousif Al Barghouthi (50 Years) and Omar Nahed Al Barghouthi from Deir Ghassanh village in Ramallah Governorate. (SHASHA 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested former prisoner Saed Fahmi Abu Saleem from Ranits village northwest of Ramallah city. (SHASHA 16 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mu'tasem Yousif Ash Sheikh (21 Years) and Ahmad Adnan Al Kansh (20 Years) from Ramallah and Al Bireh Governorate. (Maannews 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Uthman Fareed Zibari from Ramallah Governorate. (Maannews 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed Beit El Checkpoint in both directions under the pretext of providing security and protection to Israeli soldiers manning the checkpoint. (Maannews 18 January 2017)
- Thirty Five undergraduate students from New York's Yeshiva University visited the West Bank settlement of Halamish to help the community rebuild after wildfires in November destroyed 18 houses and caused severe damage to the settlement and its surroundings. As part of a week-long mission during winter break called "Responding to Flames of Destruction," students enthusiastically rolled up their sleeves to help clear debris, and build and paint benches and tables to replace those which were burned to a crisp across the entire settlement. ([IPOST](#) 18 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Abdel Haleem Abdel Haleem Hamed and Ja'far Abed Arbash from Ramallah Governorate. (Wafa 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Abdullah Hammad from Silwad in Ramallah Governorate. The detention was reported allegedly for finding "hunting weapons" during the raid in Silwad. (Maannews 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA ) suppressed the weekly march held in the village of Billin west of Ramallah city which occur every Friday to protest the Israeli separation wall and illegal settlements and in solidarity with the Bedouin village of Umm Hiran which was raided by the IOA leaving a local teacher and an Israeli police officer killed, before Israeli forces carried out home demolitions in the village. The demonstration was also centered on protesting President Donald Trump's support of moving the US embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. Palestinian and international solidarity activists held up Palestinian flags and signs condemning the potential embassy move and threatening an escalation of the resistance if such a decision is made. When the protestors reached the western part of the village near the separation wall, Israeli forces prevented them from marching on, declaring the area a military post and firing rubber bullets, sound bombs, and plastic bullets at protesters. The IOA detained Palestinian activist Ahmad Abu Rahma during the protest, but he was released afterwards. (Maannews 20 January 2017)
- Three Palestinian youths were detained near the Deir Qaddis village in western Ramallah after attempting to open a hole in the separation wall in the area. The detainees were transferred to the Israeli intelligence for interrogation. (Maannews 20 January 2017)
- The Mateh Binyamin regional council, which is responsible for 42 illegal Israeli settlements and outposts in the West Bank, has placed 12 mobile homes near Ofra settlement for the Amona settlers. These makeshift homes were sited illegally in order to accommodate the settlers who will be evacuated from the illegal outpost of Amona. Amona outpost was supposed to be evacuated last December 2016 according to a court order, but the Israeli government managed to extract a verdict from the high court of justice delaying the evacuation until early February. The Israeli government is trying nowadays to illegally seize Palestinian-owned lands near the outpost in order to establish homes on them for Amona settlers. ([HAARETZ](#) 20 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Nilin village northwest of Ramallah city, stormed commercial stores and confiscated records of Surveillance cameras. Clashes erupted between Palestinian citizens and the IOA where the latter fired teargas bombs to disperse Palestinians. A number of Palestinians suffered Gas inhalation. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- The Ofer military court reportedly ruled to release Jamil al-Barghouthi, Ahmad Odeh, Khalid Qtishat and Lama Nazieh to three days of house arrest, on condition of paying a 30,000-shekel (\$7,900) bail. Maannews (24 January 2017)
- The Ofer military court ruled to extend the detentions of brothers Muhammad and Akram al-Khatib by two days for further interrogation. Maannews (24 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mustafa Hussein Sharaka, Mahmoud Wajdi Safi, Ma'rouf Bajes Nakhla from Al Jalazoun refugee camp in Ramallah Governorate. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- Israeli settlers from the illegal outpost of Amona have threatened to renew their fight against imminent evacuation if Israeli lawmakers do not push through legislation to retroactively legalize all settlement outposts in the occupied West Bank, as a nearby outpost meanwhile began unauthorized expansion. Amona has been slated for demolition by the Israeli Supreme Court for being built on private Palestinian land in the central occupied West Bank, although the court agreed in December [to postpone the evacuation of the outpost to Feb. 8](#) in order to give additional time for the Israeli government to provide alternative housing for its residents. While the extension had been agreed to on the condition that Amona's residents cease to oppose the eviction, the settlers sent a letter to Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Education Minister Naftali Bennett stating that they were resuming their fight against the evacuation of Amona. The letter threatened that only the passage of the settlement "Legalization bill" with a clause including the legalization of Amona would prevent a confrontation, as the settlers complained that not enough had been done yet to prepare for their relocation. ([Maannews](#) 24 January 2017)
- In the Ramallah and al-Bireh Governorate, the Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained six Palestinians. The detainees were identified as Nidal al-Rimawi and Hakim Mahmoud al-Rimawi from the town of Beit Rima, and Bassem Said al-Barghouthi from the village of Deir Ghassana. Marwan Mahmoud Abu Salim, 20, Tariq Hashem Radi, 18, and Samer Riyad Radi, 18, were also detained from the village of al-Lubban al-Gharbi (Maannews 25 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the Abud village northwest of Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank. Clashes erupted between local youths and Israeli soldiers who opened live fire, rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas bombs at youths and houses. (Maannews 26 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot Omar Nathir Ibrahim al-Barghouthi, 26, from the village of Abud in the central occupied West Bank Ramallah Governorate while driving near Abud. The IOA fired shots at his vehicle. Al-Barghouthi which resulted in severe injuries across his body, including his right foot, right arm, chest, stomach, and head. Clashes erupted in Abud Thursday evening between local youth and Israeli forces for the second time in 24 hours, with Israeli soldiers opening live fire, and firing rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas bombs at youths and houses, while youths threw rocks and empty bottles. (Maannews 26 January 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a weekly march in the village of Bilin in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, as dozens of protesters suffered from tear gas inhalation. Palestinians, international, and Israeli peace activists all took part in the march which set off from the center of Bilin following Friday prayers. Clashes erupted between protesters and Israeli forces, with dozens suffering from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 27 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the houses of Abdullah and Rateb Abu Rahma in Bilin village west of Ramallah city and messed with the contents. The IOA confiscated the personal computer belonging to Abdullah Abu Rahma after carrying out a thorough search in the aforementioned houses. (ALQUDS 27 January 2017)
- Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has ordered that plans be drafted for 68 new housing units in the West Bank settlement of Ofra. The move is part of an attempt to reach an agreement with the settlement's residents on the peaceful evacuation of nine houses that were constructed illegally on private Palestinian land, and were therefore slated for demolition as per a High Court of Justice ruling. A meeting took place between the chief of staff at the prime minister's bureau, Yoav Horowitz, and representatives from Ofra regarding the nine houses that are to be demolished on February 7. Horowitz spoke to the residents regarding a possible deal for the status of the settlement, such as the approval of the city's zoning plan. Horowitz told the residents that the prime minister would approve the advancement of plans for the construction of dozens of new housing units on land whose legal status is not in question, as replacement for the houses that are to be

razed. A secretary for the settlement of Ofra, Sami Karsenty, refused to comment on the meeting with Horowitz or what was discussed. Residents of the houses slated for demolition told Haaretz that they have not been informed of any such deal with the prime minister's bureau. They said that they demand "an inclusive agreement process" regarding the status of the settlement and not "100 housing units." A source said earlier that over the last few days there has been "discussion" of new planning in Ofra as a form of compensation for the nine houses. According to him, the planning is in a very preliminary stage. ([Haaretz](#) 27 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Two Palestinians from Deir bu Mash'al village northwest of Ramallah city. The two were identified Arafat Al Barghuthi and Muhammad Hussein Al Barghuthi after raiding their homes. (Wafa 28 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Abdel Rahman Mathloun (22 years) from Al Janiya village west of Ramallah city. (Wafa 29 January 2017)
- In the central West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, the detention of Ahmad Said Odeh, 23 from Betunya town was reported. (Maannews 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young Palestinian man for allegedly possessing a knife west of Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank near the illegal Israeli settlement of Talmon. The detainee was identified as 22-year-old Muhammad Abd al-Rahman Mathloun from the village of al-Janiya northwest of Ramallah. (Maannews 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli military court at Ofer detention center near Ramallah have ordered Palestinian journalist and former long-term hunger striker Muhammad al-Qiq to eight more days in interrogation after being re-detained earlier this month. Al-Qiq was detained by Israeli forces earlier this month after participating in a protest in Bethlehem held to demand the release of bodies of slain Palestinians held in Israeli custody. The IOA also summoned his wife for interrogation. (Maannews 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli Intelligence Police arrested Father of Martyr, Muhannad Al Halabi, from Surda village north of Ramallah city after summoning him for interrogation at Ofer Detention center. (Safa 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided An Nour printer shop in Ramallah city and confiscated contents including four printers, personal computers and destroyed the rest of the equipment. (Wafa 30 January 2017)

- Two Palestinian were detained from the central West Bank Ramallah Governorate, noting one detention from Ramallah city and one from the village of Kharbatha al-Misbah. (Maanews 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians at Al Container checkpoint northeast of Bethlehem city while trying to cross the checkpoint. Among the arrestees, Omar Al Rjoub (18 Years), a student At Birzeit University, was known. (Maanews 31 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Budrus village west of Ramallah city and arrested Ibrahim Yousif Marrar and took him to unknown destination. (SAFA 31 January 2017)

## Jericho

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) delivered two halt-of-construction orders to two Palestinian families in Al 'Auja village – Al Mu'arrajat north of Jericho city. (Wafa 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers demolished Two tents, an animal barn and a residential tent sheltering the family of Zahi Fahmi Bani. The IOA also demolished two tents and two animal barns and two residential tents owned by citizen Zuhair Bani Maniya in Al Jiftlik village in Jericho Governorate. The IOA bulldozers also demolished two other animal barracks and an agricultural barracks owned by Zahi Fahmi Bani Maniya in addition to demolishing an Animal barn and a residential tent. (Wafa 24 January 2017)

## Salfit

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Qarawet Bani Hassan village, northwest of Salfit. They raided and searched a house belonging to Ibrahim Amin Mar'i and handed him a summons to refer to the Israeli Intelligence. They later withdrew, but no arrests were reported. (PCHRGZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers raided Al Mreij area at the western entrance of Kafr Ad Dik village in Salfit Governorate and raised land owned by citizen Ayoub Ali Ahmad to expand Alei Zahav settlement. (RB2000 4 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) delivered halt of construction orders targeting seven Palestinian under-construction houses In Kafr Ad Dik village in Salfit Governorate under the pretext of unlicensed building. (PALINFO 4 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) delivered halt of construction orders targeting three under construction houses in Haris village in Salfit Governorate. Another halt of construction order also targeted a carwash shop in the village. Additionally, the IOA removed a fuel tank owned by Ma'moun Muhammad Amin from the village. (PALINFO 4 January 2017)
- In Deir Istya village, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) delivered halt of construction orders targeting 6 homes and structures in the village. The threatened houses are owned by Husam Abu Fares, Abu Rami Sahban and Abu Ali Jaljouli and were targeted under the pretext of unlicensed building. (PALINFO 4 January 2017)
- Citizen Imad Said Souf from Haris village in Salfit Governorate was seriously injured after an Israeli settlers from Ariel settlement ran over him on one of the main roads near Salfit north of the occupied West Bank. Mr. Souf was on his way back from work when the incident took place. (Wafa 06 January 2017)
- Clashes erupted between the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinians in Kifl Hares village north of Salfit City as the IOA were providing security to Israeli settlers who raided the village and tried to carry out Talmudic rituals in the area. The IOA fired light and sound bombs at Palestinian protestors who were trying to prevent the event in the village. (Wafa 08 January 2017).
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) threatened to halt the construction of three homes in Bruqin village west of Salfit. The house are located in close proximity of the bypass road that links the settlements of Leshem, Peduel and Eli Zahav together. (NBPRS 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) razed without pre-notification a 100 square meters land in Marda village in Salfit Governorate, demolished a Barracks and took over a caravan in the area. The targeted properties are owned by Citzien Iyad Sobhi Abu Sa'in. (Wafa 09 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Mayyoun area in Az Zawiya village in Salfit Governorate and delivered four halt-construction orders to families in the village under the pretext of unlicensed building due to their location in area "C", which falls under the full Israeli control. The targeted homes are owned by Wael Sameeh Abu Qadous, Mahmoud Baker Shqeir, Muhammad Nathmi Yacoub and Iyad Barqeen Shqeir. (Wafa 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed all entrances of the village of Marda in the northern occupied West Bank Salfit Governorate, preventing Palestinian residents from leaving or entering the village. The IOA closed all the iron gates at the entrances of the village until a

further notice for alleged rock-throwing incidents. (Maannews 13 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizens Tareq Harb and Zeid Harb from Iskaka village east of Salfit city in the northern West Bank. (SAFA 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Kafr Ad Dik village, stormed and searched the homes of Yousif Musleh Ad Dik, Musa Qasul, Jaser Abdel Raheem Ad Deik, Akram An Nouri, and Amjad Jum'a in the village. The IOA also detained citizen Mujahed Abdel Raheem Ad Dik for few hours before releasing him. (Wafa 17 January 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinian youth and the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Salfit after the IOA raided the city. The IOA fired stun grenades at Palestinian youths. No detentions were reported. (Maannews 20 January 2017)
- A Palestinian was detained from the village of Biddya in the Salfit district. (Maannews 26 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian man from the village of al-Zawiya west of Salfit in the northern occupied West Bank. Six Israeli military vehicles stormed the town looking for a vehicle which had allegedly sped away after Israeli soldiers signaled to the driver to pull over at a nearby Israeli military checkpoint. The IOA searched in the streets until they found the vehicle, at which time they fired a round at its tire, forcing the driver to step out. Israeli forces then took the man into custody. The driver, was a resident of the nearby Qalqiliya Governorate. (Maannews 30 January 2017)
- Wastewater coming from the Israeli settlements of Immanuel and Yakir is causing pollution to the area near Ein Al Jouzeh and Bayyaret Ash Sheikh Yousef Mansour in Wadi Qana (Qana Valley) west of Deir Istya village in Salfit Governorate. Palestinians reported of a leak in the sewage line, which links the two settlements in one network. (Wafa 31 January 2017)

## **Tulkarem**

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Tulkarem city near Ghashuri factories (west of Tulkarem city). The three Palestinians were identified as Suheib Sami Al Jallad (16 Years), Huthaifa Jihad Al Jallad (17 Years) and Dia' Iyad Kamel Ahmad (16 Years) and took them to unknown destination. (Shasha 1 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Tulkarm. They raided and searched a number of houses and then arrested 4 civilians namely Fahed Osama Yaseen (24), Husain Helmi Abu Shanab (24), Mohammed Abdul Karim (26) and Osayd Kamal Mahmud 'Awad (21). At approximately 05:30, Israeli forces withdrew taking them to an unknown destination. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Tulkarem-area Nur Shams refugee camp around dawn and detained four young Palestinian men. The Israeli troops ransacked several homes before they detained the four, who were identified as Ibrahim Fayyad, Islam al-Fudah, Nayif Abu al-Rub, and Musab al-Sabbagh. (Maannews 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Tulkarem Governorate. The two arrestees were identified as Majdi Ahmad Ubeid (42 Years) and Mu'ath Yaser Awad (27 Years). (Maannews 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from Tulkarem Governorate. The three were identified as Ismae'il Adwan Mkahel (23 years), Mahmoud Muhamamd Shihada (31 Years) and Jad Abdel Rahman Yahya (38 Years). (Wafa 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Bara' Jamal Abdel Fattah Khaleel (22 Years) from Tulkarem city and took him to unknown destination. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
- In the Nur Shams refugee camp in the northern district of Tulkarem, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained six Palestinians, identified as Ali Khayri Abu Salah, Raji Jamal Ghreifi, Ramez Abd al-Hakim Elayyan, Muhammad Adib Ghreifi, Muhammad Ahmad al-Azza, and Ali Amin Abu al-Rub. (Maannews 25 January 2017)
- A Palestinian teenager was shot and injured in the knee by Israeli soldiers near a checkpoint in the northern occupied West Bank Government of Tulkarem. Yahya Omar Ali Sarhan, was walking towards the Jabara checkpoint, where he sells lighters, when he saw two Israeli soldiers deployed in a nearby field of olive trees. One of the soldiers fired once at him without warning, injuring him in the knee. The soldiers ran towards the checkpoint after firing at him. (Wafa 30 January 2017)

## **Nablus**

- A number of Israeli settlers are trying to establish a new settlement outpost on lands of Deir Al Hatab village east of Nablus city north of the occupied West Bank. Settlers added new mobile caravans in the

area known as “Ras Al Ein” east of the village, near Alon Moreh settlement. The caravans were added in close proximity of a new bypass road that was constructed few months ago on lands of the village. (Safa 1 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) moved into Balata refugee camp, east of Nablus. They raided and searched a number of houses and then arrested Ahmed Riyad al-Saheli (21). (PCHRGAZA 02 January 2017)
- Israeli settlers of Itamar settlement attacked a Palestinian house with gas and sound bombs in Aqraba village. The house is located on the road leading to Kherbit Yanoun in Nbalus Governorate. (NBPRS 2 January 2017).
- Israeli Bulldozers affiliated to settlers caused the destruction of an electricity line east of Deir Ballut village west of Salfit city. The undergoing razing process in Bab Al Marj area in Deir Ballut caused the destruction of an Electricity pole in the area which endangered Palestinian citizens living nearby. Note that Israeli settlers are working to expand Leshem settlement. (NBPRS 2 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Nablus Balatah camp, east of the city. They raided and searched several houses from which they arrested 6 civilians namely Safwat Jamal Safwat al-'Asi (19), Eyad Naser Hashash (24), Isma'il Mohammed Zuhdi Marshoud (40), Mohammed 'Ata 'Essa Masimi (19), Mohammed Khamis Farhan Mustafa (24) and Mohammed Isma'il Sharai'ah (26) from Balata refugee camp. they arrested Mohammed Sharai'ah from a shop located at the northern entrance to Balata camp. They also confiscated the device of the DVR from the shop. Moreover, Israeli forces raided and searched a house belonging to Nasser Sbaitan in the abovementioned camp and handed summonses to his sons Ehab and Diyaa' to refer to the Israeli Intelligence in Hawarah military camp, south of the city. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Tal village, southwest of Nablus. They raided and searched a number of houses after which they arrested Nemer Khalid Nemer Hendi (27) and Asid Khalid Mohammed Rehan (23) and took them to an unknown destination. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into 'Einabus village, south of Nablus. They raided and searched a number of houses and then arrested Suhieb Kayed Abdul Rahim Rashdan (21), a student at Najah National University. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided several areas in Nablus Governorate and arrested seven Palestinians from Balata refugee camp, five of which were identified as: Iyad Naser Hashash, Muhammad Atta

Museimi, Safwat Jamal Al Asi, Odai Uweis and Isma'il Muhammad Marshood. The IOA arrested two other citizens Muhammad Sharay'a at the entrance of the camp and Ahmad Al Sahili while accessing a temporary checkpoint between Ramallah and Nablus. Note that the IOA raided more than 15 Palestinian homes in the camp and messed with the contents. Among owners, the following were known: Khaleel Marshood, Abu Ali Al 'Asi, Abu Sayyah Al 'Asi, Huseein Shilo, Nasser Hashash, Saleh At Titi, Odai Uweis, Abed and Ali As Sur and Ihab Sbeitani. (Wafa 3 January 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Tel village west of Nablus city and arrested Nemer Khaled Hindi (26 Years), a student at An Najjah University and Aseed Kahled Rehan (24 Years) after raiding their homes and searching contents. (Wafa 3 January 2017).
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) accompanied with military vehicles and staffs from the Civil Administration and backed by 3 bulldozers moved into Kherbet Tana, east of Beit Furik, east of Nablus. The Israeli bulldozers immediately demolished 14 dwellings, 22 other facilities and sheep barns belonging to 15 families of 86 members, including 33 children, in addition to confiscating two cars. The demolished dwellings belong to the following persons: Farsan Fares Hussein Hanani and his son Fayez (The entrance, tent, barn and mobile bathroom), Qosay Mustafa 'Abdel Rahman Hanani (The entrance), Helmi Soliman Helmi Mansour and his son Soliman (2 barns, tent and mobile bathroom), Muneer Mohammed Mahmoud Hanani (Tin-plate barrack, barn and mobile bathroom), Ibrahim 'Abdel Qder Hanani (A tent, barn, and a bathroom in addition to confiscating his Ford car), As'ad Mohammed As'ad Hanani (A tent), Mohammed Tawifq 'Adel Nasasrah (2 sheep barns and 2 tents), Mohie al-Deen Mohammed Tawfiq 'Adel (A residential tent, sheep tent and bathroom), Majed 'Afif, Majed Hanani (A residential tent and oven), Mohammed As'ad 'Abdel Razeq Hanani (A tent, mobile bathroom and sheep barn), Yousif Fayez Yousif Hanani (Two residential and sheep barn tents), As'ad Mohammed As'ad Hanani (Two residential and sheep barn tents), Wasef Abu al-So'ud Hanani (A residential tent), Ra'ed 'Afif Ra'ed Hanani (A 2 sheep barns, mobile bathroom and confiscation of a car). (PCHRGZA 03 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) moved into Burin village, south of Nablus. They patrolled the streets amidst Israel firing sound bombs. They raided and searched several houses and then beat Osayed Ahmed Mohammed 'Omran (17) while questioning him in his house. They also attacked Hasan 'Ali Taher Najjar (18) during investigation. Israeli forces questioned the abovementioned civilians about throwing

stones at the Israeli soldiers and threatened to arrest them. The Israeli forces later withdrew from the village, but no arrests were reported. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)

- The Israeli Civil Administration notified to demolish Tana's Hamlet only school in Beit Furik village in the northern West Bank. The school is shelter for 16 students and is composed of four caravans funded by the Italian NGO, GVC. (WAFSA 05 January 2017)
- Israeli settlers hurled stones at Palestinian vehicles driving on Huwwara-Nablus road and at the entrance of Burin village causing damages to a number of vehicles. Settlers also assaulted a number of Palestinians after forcing them to leave their vehicles. Several injuries were reported. (Wafa 08 January 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Fatah Revolutionary Council member, Talal Dweikat, from his house in Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank. Dweikat is the former governor of the northern occupied West Bank district of Tulkarem. (Maannews 11 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Askar refugee Camp in Nablus Governorate namely Atallah Hussein Hashash (24 Years) and Murad Abu Hadeib after raiding their homes and destroying the contents. (Safa 12 January 2017).
- The Israeli Civil Administration (ICA) issued an extension and border amendment to a previously issued military order which targets 3.989 dunums of land in Asira Al Qiblyia village in Nablus Governorate. The order comes to prevent "hostile attacks" against Israeli settlers in the area as stated in the military order. (Maannews 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Nawras Naseef Ghawadra (24 Years) from Jenin city and detained two others for five hours before again releasing them at a sudden checkpoint that was set up by the IOA near Deir Sharaf village. The detainees were identified as Muhammad Bassam Nassar (30 Years) and Muhammad Abdel Kareem 'Ayasa (28 Years). (WAFSA 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a flying checkpoint at the main Huwwara road leading to Nablus City, as well as a flying checkpoint south of the permanent Zaatara checkpoint, stopping and searching cars headed towards Ramallah in the central West Bank, and checking ID cards of Palestinians. (Maannews 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians from Nablus Governorate. The arrestees were identified as Abdullah Jameel Hamayel and Ammar Zuhair As'ad (32 Years). (WAFSA 15 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Beit Village south of Nablus city and arrested Ammar Zuheir As'ad (36Years) after raiding his home in the village. The IOA also arrested Abdullah Jameel Hamayel from Beita village. (SAFA 15 January 2017)
- Around 30 Israeli Settlers from the evacuated site of Homesh settlement attacked a Palestinian farmer while he was working in his land in Burqa Village north of Nablus city. Settlers hurled stones at the farmer causing injuries to him. (SAFA 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers demolished a residential home, an agricultural barracks and two animal barns in Kherbit At Taweel in Aqraba village south of Nablus city and destroyed part of an agricultural road. The demolished structures are owned by Ahmad Muhamamd Hamdan Bani Fadel. (Maannews 17 January 2017).
- One Palestinian was injured (Muhamamd Riad Said Hashash, 19 Years) and two others were arrested (Isma'il Amjad Abdel Kareem At Takrouri, 20 Years , and Mu'ath Tal'at Ali Saleh, 24 Years) during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army in Nablus city. The clashes erupted as more than 15 busses transferring Israeli settlers stormed Joseph tomb site to perform Talmudic Rituals. (Wafa 18 January 2017).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mu'ath Tal'at Saleh (24 Years) and Isma'il Majdi Takrori (20 Years) from Nablus Governorate. (Maannews 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Two Palestinian "youths" from Askar refugee camp in Nablus. The two Palestinians from Askar camp were identified as former prisoner Ahmad Saqer and Rami Abu Hweileh. (Wafa 19 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Ahmad Saqer and Rami Abu Hweila in Nablus Governorate. (Wafa 19 January 2017)
- Dozens of Palestinians confronted four armed Israeli settlers in a village in the southern part of Nablus city in the northern occupied West Bank e, allegedly preventing them from assaulting local Palestinian residents. Four armed Israeli settlers had "raided" the village, prompting dozens of Palestinians to surround them and prevent them from hurting residents or damaging property. The settlers allegedly threatened to use their weapons on the Palestinians if they came closer or were attacked. settlers were from the nearby Yesh Kodesh illegal settlement outpost. (Maannews 20 January 2017)
- An Israeli court sentenced citizen Abdullah Ishaq from Nablus Governorate to life in prison plus an additional 30 years allegedly for his involvement in a 2015 shooting attack. Ishaq was also ordered to

- pay 250,000 shekels (\$65,793) to the injured Israelis. (Maannews, [Haaretz](#) 22 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Taher Jameel Kameil while crossing a sudden checkpoint that was set up by the IOA near Deir Sharaf village in Nablus Governorate. (Wafa 23 January 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army detained three Palestinians in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus. The three were identified as Raed Bahinjawi, Khalid Nimr Fayad, Naim Fathi Qandil, and Ahmad Othman Dweikat. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army detained two Palestinians from the Balata refugee camp, three Palestinians from Askar refugee camp, and one from the village of Askar al-Balad. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Omar Sharay'a from Askar camp in Nablus at Deir Sharaf military checkpoint. (Wafa 24 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers demolished two makeshift homes and four agricultural structures in the small community of Lifjim, also known as al-Fajam. The Israeli Bulldozers closed the main road to the village. (Maannews 24 January 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) sealed the main entrance to the town of Beita south of Nablus city in the northern occupied West Bank amidst reported accusations of stone-throwing. The IOA imposed "strict security procedures" and searched hundreds of Palestinian vehicles passing in both directions near the Beita-Huwarra crossroads, in addition to vehicles using the main road of the nearby Huwwara village for more than two hours. Israeli forces closed the crossroads until a further notice, reportedly claiming that rocks were being thrown at Israeli settlers' vehicles. (Maannews 26 January 2017)
  - In Nablus, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained former prisoners Maher Salah and Nael al-Bishtawi. The IOA also detained Huthaifa Abu Nima, a student of an-Najah National University, from Askar refugee camp. (Maannews 26 January 2017)
  - Several dozen mobile homes were installed near the West Bank settlement of Shiloh on Thursday to accommodate residents slated for eviction from the illegal outpost of Amona. The Binyamin regional council, whose jurisdiction includes Amona, set up the site. It is the fourth the council has established in recent weeks to accommodate residents of Amona, which is slated for evacuation by February 8. The other three sites lie between Amona and the nearby settlement of Ofra. Two of the three were established without obtaining permits from the Israeli Civil Administration in the West Bank. Amona's residents were

ordered to leave the outpost after the High Court of Justice ruled that land on which it was built is privately owned by individual Palestinians. A plan to move them to a site adjacent to the current one has been suspended after a number of Palestinians asserted ownership claims or other personal links to that land as well. The court is expected to make a final ruling next week on the feasibility of using the nearby site. With the deadline for the evacuation of the Amona residents approaching, a senior Israel Defense Forces officer speaking yesterday said the evacuation should not necessarily be viewed as a trigger for renewed violence in the West Bank. The residents of Amona made a commitment to the court to leave the site peacefully without preconditions. At that time, it was assumed they would be relocated a short distance away. The army is now again gearing up for the evacuation and has moved troops into the West Bank in anticipation. If the IDF receives orders to evacuate the outpost, it will do so, along with other security forces, notably the border police, the senior IDF officer said. “We are preparing to do it without casualties based on the lessons from the prior evacuation of Amona,” he said, referring to a 2006 operation that involved the demolition of several of the outpost’s residential buildings, which sparked major violence. Amona residents were recently offered the chance to move to the Shiloh industrial area — about 40 kilometers north — but rejected it out of hand, along with an offer to move to the nearby settlement of Shvut Rachel. Due to their opposition, the government suspended its plans to move them to Shiloh there, but said the plan “was still on the table.” At the end of last year, law enforcement sources told Haaretz that there were no legal impediments to construction in the area, adding that facilities for the Amona residents could be completed there in very short order. The Israeli Civil Administration has so far refrained from taking action against the two mobile home sites created without its permission. This week Civil Administration officials toured the area, including the unauthorized trailer home sites. A source told Haaretz that there are plans to move the mobile homes placed without authorization to land owned by Palestinians who have left the area, which is deemed abandoned. Amona’s residents announced earlier this week that they are renewing their opposition to the evacuation. They are also demanding that a bill meant to legalize the use of Palestinian-owned land under some circumstances include a clause that would retroactively legalize the settlers’ presence at Amona. Such a law does not appear feasible, however, either from a legal or political standpoint. The residents have urged the public to come to the outpost to prevent its evacuation, despite their earlier explicit commitment to

leave without resisting. It is therefore expected that they will be unwilling to move to the mobile home sites. On Wednesday, the residents of nine homes at the nearby settlement of Ofra that are also slated for evacuation in February filed a request with the High Court of Justice seeking an extension until May, so that alternative housing can be built for several of them. They have also threatened a hunger strike next week. ([Haaretz](#) 27 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Salem Hani Abu Hamada (17 Years) from Tel village in Nablus Governorate after detaining her at Kafr Laqef junction. (Wafa 29 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Sebastya village north of Nablus city for the second time in a week and bombed the Palestinian flag Pole in the village. (Wafa 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ahmad Khalil Al Qaisi from Jama'in village in Nablus Governorate while trying to cross the Israeli checkpoint established at the northern entrance of Salfit city. (Wafa 30 January 2017)
- Israeli settlers injured a Palestinian man while throwing stones at Palestinian vehicles traveling on the main road between the occupied West Bank cities of Ramallah and Nablus. Nahed Qabaha was wounded when Israeli settlers threw stones at his minibus near the village of al-Sawiya. Ten vehicles were damaged by the stone throwing. (Maannews, Wafa 30 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities delivered a military order to confiscate 17 dunums of lands in Qabalan, Yatma, Usarin and Aqraba south of Nablus city under security pretexts. (Wafa 31 January 2017)

## Gaza

- Israeli gunboats stationed offshore, northwest of Beit Lahia in the northern Gaza Strip, opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats sailing within 3 nautical miles and chased them. As a result, the fishermen were forced to flee for fear of being arrested or wounded. Neither casualties nor damages were reported. (PCHRGAZA 01 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stationed at the border fence between the Gaza Strip and Israel, east of Khuza'a village, east of Khan Yunis in the southern Gaza Strip, randomly opened fire for an hour and half towards agricultural fields, west of the abovementioned border fence, but no casualties were reported. (PCHRGAZA 01 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stationed at the border fence between the Gaza Strip and Israel, east of Khuza'a village, east of Khan

Yunis in the southern Gaza Strip, opened fire for an hour and half at agricultural fields, west of the abovementioned border fence, but no casualties were reported. (PCHRGAZA 02 January 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at military watch towers near Sofa crossing southeast of Khan Younis Governorate fired at Palestinian farmers working in their agricultural lands in Khuza'a, Al Fukhari and Absan Al Jadeda areas. No injuries were reported. (Al Ayyam 3 January 2017)
- Israeli gunboats stationed offshore, northwest of Beit Lahia in the northern Gaza Strip, opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats sailing within 3 nautical miles and chased them. As a result, the fishermen were forced to flee for fear of being arrested or wounded, but neither casualties nor damages were reported. (PCHRGAZA 03 January 2017)
- Israeli gunboats stationed offshore, west of Jabalia in the northern Gaza Strip, opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats sailing within 3 nautical miles and chased them. As a result, the fishermen were forced to flee for fear of being arrested or wounded, but no casualties were reported. However, the fishermen lost some fishing nets. This attack recurred in different periods until 11:00. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
- Israeli gunboats stationed off al-Sudaniyah shore, west of Jabalia in the northern Gaza Strip, opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats sailing within 5 nautical miles and chased them. An Israeli gunboat hit a fishing boat belonging to Rashad al-Hessi. The boat was manned by Mohammed Ahmed Mohammed Jamil al-Hessi (33) from al-Shati' refugee camp. As a result, the fishing boat capsized in the water, and Mohammed was missed in the water. (PCHRGAZA 04 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired tear Gas Bombs at Palestinian students in Ar Ram town north of Jerusalem city. The IOA claimed that students were throwing stones at the military jeep. (RB2000 4 January 2017)
- Israeli gunboats attacked a number of Palestinian boats near Gaza Sea, chased them and fired live bullets at Palestinian fishermen and their boats causing damages to the properties. No injuries were reported. (Wafa 05 January 2017)
- 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).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at Abu Mteibeq military site east of Al Maghazi refugee camp in Gaza Strip fired live bullets at Palestinian homes and agricultural lands. No injuries were reported but damages were reported in two homes. (Wafa 11 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at Beit Hanoun crossing (Erez) north of the Gaza strip fired live bullets at Palestinian homes. No injuries were reported. (Wafa 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers stationed at Kisufim Military site invaded Al Qarara town northeast of Khan Younis city south of the Gaza Strip and started razing lands in the area at a distance of 50 meters. (SAFA 12 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Machinery stationed at Kisufim Military site staged 150 meters into the Palestinian lands east of Al Qarara town northeast of Khan Younis city in the southern Gaza Strip and razed Palestinian lands in the area. The Israeli machinery also added earthmound in the area to prevent Palestinian farmers from reaching their lands. (SHASHA 12 January 2017).
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) targeted Palestinian homes east of Khan Younis city south of the Gaza Strip. The IOF fired at Palestinians and their homes to prevent them from accessing their agricultural lands. No injuries were reported. (Wafa 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities have continued to uphold a recent decision to cancel weekly visitation by hundreds of Palestinians from the besieged Gaza Strip to attend Friday prayers at al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied Jerusalem. The Israeli occupation authorities revoked permits for Gazans to visit the holy site until further notice after repeated accusations that Palestinians were not returning to the Gaza Strip immediately following the visits. (DAILY48 13 January 2017)
- The Israeli naval forces opened live fire at Gazan fishermen off the coast of the northern Gaza Strip. The forces opened live fire at the fishermen working off the coast of the northern part of the besieged enclave, forcing them to head back to Gaza's shores. (Maannews 14 January 2017)
- A Palestinian, (36 years) was injured as the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed north of Beit Lahya town north of the Gaza Strip opened fire at him while he was collecting firewood. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- Israeli gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishermen and their boats near Beit Lahya in the northern Gaza Strip, injuring one fisherman. (Wafa 15 January 2017)
- Israeli gunboats chased two Palestinian fishermen and their boats in Al Wajha area near Beit Lahya shores, opened fire at them causing damages to one boat. The IOA arresting the two fishermen namely

Orans As Sultan and Muhmamd As Sultan after confiscating their fishing boats. (Wafa 15 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Tanks staged 50 meters into the eastern areas of Rafah town south of the Gaza Strip and started razing Palestinian lands near Sofa crossing. The IOA also added earth-mounds to the site, (SAFA 15 January 2017)
- The Israeli naval forces detained opened fire at fishermen off the coast of al-Waha in northern Gaza and detained three, identified as Muhammad Abu Dayya, Imad Siyam, and his son Anas Imad Siyam. The three fishermen's boats were also confiscated. (Maannews 16 January 2017)
- A Palestinian fisherman was arrested after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at him near the seashores north of the Gaza Strip. The injured Palestinian was identified as Khaled Abu Ryalah. (Maannews 17 January 2017)
- Israeli intelligence authorities detained two Palestinian merchants at the Erez Crossing between the besieged Gaza Strip and Israel. The detainees were identified as Midhat Karam and Hazem Touman after interrogating them for several hours at Erez Crossing. (Maannews 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli naval forces shot and injured a Palestinian fisherman off the coast in the northern Gaza Strip. The Fisherman, identified as Khalid Abu Riyala, was shot several times with rubber-coated steel bullets, without specifying the extent of his injuries. The Israeli naval forces also confiscated several Palestinian fishing boats. (Maannews 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli authorities detained a Palestinian merchant at the Erez crossing between the northern Gaza Strip and Israel. The Israeli intelligence stopped Omar Abu Asad, 25, who was with his ill mother on their way to the occupied West Bank for treatment. After detained Abu Asad, Israeli authorities transferred him to an unidentified location, and forced his mother to return to the besieged Gaza Strip, sources added. (Maannews 18 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian fisherman off the coast of the northern Gaza Strip. Citizen Abed Hisham al-Sultan was injured with a rubber-coated steel bullet as the IOA continuously opened fire at fishing boats. (Maannews 20 January 2017)
- A Palestinian child was injured after being struck by an Israeli bullet in Beit Lahiya in the north of the Gaza Strip after Israeli forces opened live fire at homes in the area. The six-year-old girl was injured in her

stomach, and described her injury as medium. (Maannews 20 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed across the border fence east of the Gaza Strip, fired dozens of rounds targeting homes and lands, in Rafah and Khan Younis, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip. The IOA fired dozens of rounds for no apparent reason, hitting many homes, causing damage. There have been no reports of physical injuries among the Palestinians. The attacks were carried out by soldiers on various towers, in military bases across the border fence, in the eastern and southern parts of the besieged coastal region. (MEMC 20 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened live fire on Palestinian land in eastern Khan Younis of the southern Gaza Strip. No injuries were reported. (MAANNEWS 21 January 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishermen off the coast of Beit Lahiya in the northern besieged Gaza Strip in the early hours with one fisherman being shot in the head with a rubber-coated steel bullet, a week after he was detained by Israeli forces while fishing. The 22-year-old Auranus al-Sultan was in a stable condition after sustaining a head injury from the rubber bullet. The young fisherman was among five Palestinian fishermen [who were detained last week](#), after Israeli naval forces opened fire on them and seized their boats. (MAANNEWS 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation aircrafts sprayed herbicides onto farmland along the eastern part of Absan Al Kabeera, Absan Al Saghera and Khuza'a communities east of Khan Younis. (WAFSA 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at the border fence between Gaza and Israel opened fire towards farmlands in the area of al-Umour on the outskirts of the town of al-Fukhari, in the southern Gaza Strip district of Khan Yunis. No casualties were reported.
- East of Gaza City, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired towards Palestinian farmers and bird hunters, without causing injuries. At sea. The Israeli naval forces opened fire in the direction of fishing boats off the coasts of Khan Yunis and Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip. (Maannews 24 January 2017)
- For the second day on row, the Israeli aircrafts continued spraying herbicides onto farmland along the eastern part of Khan Younis and Rafah Governorates south of the Gaza Strip. (WAFSA 23 January 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at the military towers near Nahal Oz military site targeted Palestinian homes and agricultural

lands in Ash Shuga'iyah neighborhood east of Gaza City which resulted in some property damage. (Wafa 29 January 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Agricultural lands in Al Fukhari town east of Khan Younis city. (Wafa 31 January 2017)

## Others

- The Israeli Security Cabinet decided not to return the bodies of Hamas affiliated Palestinians who were killed during the latest uprising (since October 2015) and that the bodies would instead be buried in a cemetery for "enemy dead" as reported. ([INN](#) 1 January 2017)
- As part of the 2017-2018 budget, the Israeli government is set to spend 12 billion NIS to give northern Israel a facelift. Interior Minister Aryeh Deri (Shas) and Finance Minister Moshe Kahlon (Kulanu) have proposed a plan outlining changes for the north, including upgrading schools, and building a light rail train between Haifa and Nazareth. The Jewish National Fund will also help to fund the projects, investing 3 billion NIS. 600 million NIS will be invested in tourism, productivity grants for local small and medium businesses, and bringing financial services companies to the region. 12 billion NIS will be invested in infrastructure, including expanding Haifa's Metronit bus system to include nearby areas, building a light rail train line from Nazareth to Haifa. The money will also be invested in improving the local health care system building hospital wards, expanding academic institutions, funding informal education programs, constructing new schools, lengthening school hours, and paving and widening interchanges and roads. ([INN](#) 1 January 2017)
- Habayit Hayehudi chairman Naftali Bennett called on the government to pass a law annexing Ma'aleh Adumim, a large settlement east of Jerusalem, to Israel by the end of the month. Bennett serves in the government as minister of education. It is due to be discussed by the Knesset Law Committee in a special session on Monday morning (January 2). Ma'aleh Adumim Mayor Benny Kasriel and the heads of the Knesset Land of Israel lobby, MKs Yoav Kish (Likud) and Bezalel Smotrich (Habayit Hayehudi), are scheduled to attend the meeting. Bennett's initiative has given a new lease on life to a proposed law originally drafted by the Land of Israel lobby and signed by the whips of all the parties in the coalition, excepting United Torah Judaism. ([JPOST](#), [Haaretz](#) 2 January 2017)
- The United States Department of the Treasury is reporting an increase in allegations that merchandise produced in West Bank Jewish settlements is being imported into the U.S. without the proper country

of origin markings, in contradiction to U.S customs regulations. Each year the U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency receives between 800 and 1,000 complaints regarding the import of items from around the world into the country. Recently, the CBP confirmed, there has been a growing number of complaints about products ostensibly manufactured in the settlements but exported under a different label. ([Haaretz](#) 2 January 2017)

- The Israel Defense Forces has sent letters to young Israeli Bedouin in recent months inviting them to volunteer for the army – adding on to its two-year-old efforts to get Christian Arabs to join. "Volunteering for military service is a way you can give and contribute to both yourself and your country and even get something in return. I would be happy to see you volunteering for the IDF and contributing to the state, along with your own advancement and the development of your abilities." In 2014 the IDF sent its first "volunteer orders" to Christian Arabs, who, like the Bedouin, may serve in the army. Until then, Christians who wanted to volunteer had to do it by approaching the military themselves. Some 800 invitations were sent to Christian youths that year, inviting them to attend initial selection for army service. But the initiative was halted after the military decided that the letters weren't having much of an effect. To increase the number of Bedouin serving in the army, the IDF is offering them reduced service of only two years. They will first attend a three-month preparatory course, after which the IDF will decide who goes on to do full army service. ([Haaretz](#) 2 January 2017)
- Former Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott said on Saturday that if U.S. President-elect Donald Trump's administration moves its embassy in Israel to Jerusalem, Australia should do the same. In an article published in *The Spectator*, a British weekly, Abbott also called on Canberra to cut its aid to the Palestinian Authority. Abbott published the comments after travelling to Israel with a delegation of Australian and British lawmakers and officials. Abbott said Australia should demonstrate "its unswerving support for Israel" by cutting "our \$40 million a year in aid to the Palestinian Authority while it keeps paying pensions to terrorists and their families" and considering joining "any move by the Trump administration to move its embassy to Jerusalem." ([Haaretz](#) 2 January 2017)
- According to [statistics obtained by The Times of Israel \(PDF\)](#), between 2003 and 2013, Israeli citizenship was denied or delayed to about half of East Jerusalemites who applied for it. However, over the past three years, the processing of citizenship applications for East Jerusalemites

has come to an almost complete halt. Between 2014 and September 2016, of 4,152 East Jerusalemites who applied for citizenship, only 84 were approved and 161 were rejected. The rest of the applications are pending – formally, still being processed. ([TIMES OF ISRAEL](#) 3 January 2017)

- As a proposal to extend Israeli sovereignty to the city of Maaleh Adumim, just east of Jerusalem, gains traction, some Yesha activists are pushing for a broader annexation plan, one which would include the gradual annexation of all of Judea and Samaria (occupied West Bank). The Movement for Israel's Tomorrow, better known as the Women in Green, praised the efforts towards annexing Maaleh Adumim, the third largest Israeli city in Judea and Samaria, but warned legislators against the idea of partial sovereignty in the heartland of the historic Jewish homeland. ([INN](#) 4 January 2017)
- Standing in front of a bright red banner reading "Build Israel Great Again," former Republican presidential candidate Mike Huckabee promised during an appearance in the West Bank that President-elect Donald Trump's policies toward Israel would be very different than President Barack Obama's. Huckabee was in Maale Adumim to lay the cornerstone for a new neighborhood in one of the largest Israeli settlements in the West Bank, just east of Jerusalem. ([CNN](#) 05 January 2017)
- 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 Sneysel. 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)

- Another 5,000 French Jews emigrated to Israel during, figures showed, continuing a trend that has seen tens of thousands quit the country after a series of attacks targeting the community. The Jewish Agency of Israel issued the update as France marked two years since attacks on the Charlie Hebdo magazine offices and on a Jewish supermarket in Paris, where four shoppers were shot dead. The 5,000 departures in 2016 add to the record 7,900 who left in 2015 and 7,231 in 2014. In total, 40,000 French Jews have emigrated since 2006. (AFP 9 January 2017)
- Israeli Minister of Defense Avigdor Lieberman has approved a budget allocating NIS 3.34 billion for the construction of a barrier on the border of the Gaza Strip and Israel. According to a document on the matter, the funds for the project will come from "an external budget

within the Ministry of Defense." The document issued by Lieberman's office is meant to provide assurance to the residents living in communities on the Gaza border, who feared that the project would not materialize due to budgetary constraints. The project is one of the biggest and most expensive undertaken and is meant to be combined with several other measures along the 64 kilometer border. A "smart" fence—similar to the fence on the border with Egypt—with concrete walls stretching underground, will also be able to detect tunnels and will be equipped with offensive and defensive capabilities. The project is being led by the IDF's Southern Command in cooperation with private firms. Currently, the project is in initial stages, but is expected to move into advanced stages in the coming months. The Gaza Division has already begun preparing for construction, which is expected to be completed within two years and bring large amounts of equipment and workers to the area. ([YNETNEWS](#) 09 January 2017)

- The state announced that the Kiryat Arba local council has no authority to demand municipal tax (arnona) from two Palestinian brothers, even though land and a home belonging to one of them lies in the council's jurisdiction. The arnona bill was sent to the landowners after they had petitioned the High Court of Justice asking that the authorities remove from their land a structure built illegally by Kiryat Arba settlers. The local council says it learned that the Palestinian brothers owned the land from the state's response to the petition. But in the state's response to a second petition by the brothers, against the arnona charge, the state's lawyers cited Kiryat Arba's "lack of integrity in issuing a bill under the circumstances." In January 2015, the council sent brothers Abdul Karim and Zaidan Jabari an arnona bill for 176,000 shekels (\$45,770). In two separate notices, the brothers were warned that if they did not pay they would be fined and a lien would be put on their land – and a lien in the Land Registry would constitute a sale of the land to the settlement. The High Court froze the bill until it ruled on the petition, which was submitted by attorney Sliman Shahin. The state's response to the petition at the end of last month, submitted by attorney Liora Weiss-Benski, is based on the military's orders for managing local and regional councils. Both relate solely to Israeli citizens who are residents of the area, Weiss-Benski said. ([Haaretz](#) [11 January 2017](#))
- The Knesset Internal Affairs and Environment Committee approved a bill that allows the Interior Ministry to ban people who call to boycott Israel from entering the country. The legislation, pushed forward by MK Bezalel Smotrich (Bayit Yehudi) will be voted upon in second and third readings. The bill was originally proposed by former Bayit

Yehudi MK Yinon Magal, but Smotrich took it over when the former resigned from the Knesset in 2015 over sexual harassment allegations. (JPOST 12 January 2017)

- Settlers from the Ofra settlement arrived at the Knesset to protest the High Court ruling to demolish nine homes built illegally on privately-owned Palestinian land. Residents met with Knesset members Yair Lapid (Yesh Atid), Yoav Kish (Likud), Rachel Azaria (Kulanu), Amir Ohana (Likud) and Moti Yogev (ayit Yehudi) to demand that they prevent the planned demolitions. (Ynetnews 12 January 2017)
- The [Harel tunnels](#) beneath the Harel interchange at Mevasseret Zion on the Tel Aviv - Jerusalem highway (Road 1) will open next week on January 20. Two 800 meter tunnels with three lanes in each direction will replace the current interchange and much of the steep climb to the Castel hilltop. At the same time, the Motza Bridge running west to east from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem will also open. The east to west bridge opened last April. As from next week only two lanes will be open in each direction in the tunnels and on the bridge, with the third lane opening in another four months when the entire Road 1 project is completed. The Harel tunnels and the Motza bridge are the centerpiece of the NIS 2.5 billion upgrade of Road 1 between Shaar Hagai and Jerusalem, which will reduce the driving time between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem to 35 minutes, if there is no heavy traffic. The new fast rail link between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv scheduled to open in 2018 will transport passengers in just 28 minutes. The widening of the road between Shaar Hagai and the new Hemed Interchange has already been completed with a new interchange at Neve Ilan added. There will be major disruptions next week on the highway between Latrun and Jerusalem when the tunnels open between 10pm on Thursday night and 10am Friday morning with Road 1 closed for much of the time. (GLOBES 12 January 2017)
- In a sign of the different attitude of US President-elect Donald Trump, the West Bank settlers' council said it has been invited to send a delegation to the presidential inauguration next week. It said that Oded Revivi, chairman of the Yesha settlers' council, will lead the delegation. He will be joined by Benny Kasriel, mayor of Ma'aleh Adumim. (Times of Israel 13 January 2017)
- 17 years after the case was submitted to the Supreme Court, the justices ordered the state to submit a new offer military training program in the 918 zone in the Southern Mount Hebron - so the harm to residents will be minimal. The Court gave the state 45 days for the provision of its proposal. The order was issued following petitions filed by residents of eight villages against the State's intention to remove them

permanently from their homes, to allow the IDF to train in the area. ([Haaretz](#) 13 January 2017)

- The Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem intends to accelerate the construction of 400 hotel rooms in the area adjacent to Jabal Al Mukkabir town in occupied East Jerusalem. Meir Turgman head of the so-called Israeli "planning and building" committee in the municipality of Jerusalem invited construction companies who won the bids to build hotels in the area (namely Hasid brothers, Rekebet Bmochvah and Claire Clemakal) to hold a special meeting this week. The intention is to accelerate the issuance of building permits in order to start construction. The project will be an extension for Arnona neighborhood along Naobiska road. The project includes the building of three popular hotels (3-4) Stars, the largest of which will include the construction of 400 hotels rooms and 180 small hotel rooms to accommodate 150 guests in addition to commercial buildings in the ground floor, including restaurants, cafes, picnic areas open to the public, rising (7-8) floors and overlooking the Old City of Jerusalem. According to the plans, six hotels including 1,300 rooms will be constructed on 12.9 thousand square meters. ([NBPRS](#) 14 January 2017)
- David Friedman, the U.S. ambassador-designate to Israel, heads an American fundraising organization that pumps a few million dollars a year into the settlement of Beit El. The parents of Jared Kushner, Donald Trump's son-in-law, have donated many thousands to its institutions. The president-elect himself has made out a \$10,000 check for Beit El's residents. ([HAARETZ](#) 17 January 2017)
- The Israeli Knesset passed a law that recognizes verdicts by military courts in the West Bank as admissible evidence in legal procedures in Israeli civilian courts. The plenum voted in favor of the bill in its second and third readings. To date verdicts by military courts have not been recognized in Israel and Israeli law does not extend to the territories. Sovereignty in the area belongs to the head of the Israel Defense Forces Central Command, who issues laws using general's commands. During the debate on the bill a confrontation developed in the plenum, as opposition lawmakers called the new law the first step in an attempt to apply Israeli legislation in the territories. read more: ([Haaretz](#) 18 January 2017)
- The incoming Trump administration plans to reveal whether it will proceed with relocating America's embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem in the coming days, incoming White House press secretary Sean Spicer said. In a press conference one day before Donald Trump's inauguration, Spicer told journalists to "stay tuned" for details on the

president-elect's plans. "There will be a further announcement on that," Spicer said. "The president has made clear that Israel has not gotten the respect it deserves." Spicer said that Trump had been consulting with his choice for ambassador to Israel, David Friedman; his Jewish son-in-law, Jared Kushner; and his nominee for secretary of state, Rex Tillerson, on whether to make the move, which outgoing US President Barack Obama warned against in his final White House press conference on Wednesday. ([IPOST](#) 19 January 2017)

- The State has not settled on a relocation site for the Amona outpost, which the High Court of Justice has mandated must be moved by February 8, Deputy Legal Adviser to the defense establishment Eran Ben Ari told politicians. "We're making every effort to find a solution," Ben-Ari told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee's sub group on Judea and Samaria, which met Tuesday to debate land status in the West Bank, as well as the future of the Amona outpost. "We are not indifferent to the situation," he added. The state is looking to relocate the Amona outpost to another area of the same hilltop outside of the Ofra settlement. To do this the IDF issued a military order changing the law regarding abandoned property to make it easier for the state to seize portions of the land. Many of the lots in question in the West Bank are owned in partnership. In the past, it was enough for just one or several partners to show proof of ownership to prevent seizure of the land. Under the new declaration, the state can use the law of abandoned property to seize portions of the lot for which there are no declared partners. The state believes this change will allow the state to relocate the 40 families of the Amona outpost to what is known as lots 28, 29 and 30. In the Knesset on Tuesday, Ben Ari made a brief reference to the idea of relocating the outpost to the same hilltop, but only gave further details about the plan in a closed door session. The Civil Administration for Judea and Samaria, however, has already declared its intention to use lots 28, 29 and 30. On Thursday, the Civil Administration dismissed a petition that the head of the Silwad Village Council and the Palestinian landowners of plots 28, 29, 30 and 54 submitted through the nongovernmental group Yesh Din, whose attorneys have represented the village of Silwad in matters relating to Amona. The Civil Administration told Yesh Din it would continue to dissolve the land partnerships but that it would no longer be working on lot 54. Attorneys Shlomy Zachary, Muhammad Shuqier and Michal Ziv said in the objection they filed that the state's decision to force the dissolution of land partnerships in Area C of the West Bank contravened international law and local Jordanian law. They charged that it was a form of land confiscation that also violated past

agreements to which Israel was party. They warned that, if Israel persisted with this course of action, they might turn to the International Court of Arbitration. Infringing upon the property rights of the residents of Silwad, protected persons living in occupied territory, as a precondition for executing the High Court of Justice ruling to evacuate the trespassers and lawbreakers of Amona from private land is no way to uphold the rule of law but rather to keep the current government in power," Yesh Din said in its objection to the Civil Administration. "So many senior officials in the various government ministries, as well as the Israel Defense Forces, are participating in the effort to achieve this objective which would mark a moral transgression the likes of which we have not seen in recent decades – and all for the benefit of a handful of lawbreakers," the objection states. ([IPOST](#), [NRG](#) 19 January 2017)

- After US President-elect Donald Trump is sworn in, Bayit Yehudi leader Naftali Bennett plans to start pushing for the annexation of Israeli settlements in the West Bank. The opening shot will come in the form of a bill proposing to annex the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim. The legislation proposal will put the different partners in the coalition in a difficult situation. On the one hand, many senior ministers have called to unilaterally apply Israeli sovereignty to settlements under dispute to make the most of the window of opportunity provided by the administration change in the US. However, making such decisions without the government having formulated its policy on the matter could lead to international anger and cause problems further down the line. Despite this, the heads of the Knesset's Land of Israel Lobby, MKs Bezalel Smotrich (Bayit Yehudi) and Yoav Kish (Likud) have already announced they will bring the Ma'ale Adumim annexation bill to a vote at the Ministerial Committee for Legislation on Sunday. It is yet unclear whether the bill has sufficient support to the first hurdle, and whether it will be eventually made into law. There is also a possibility the vote will be postponed and not take place on Sunday. Political officials said the Likud and Bayit Yehudi support of the bill makes it likely it will pass. But not all in the coalition support it. Defense Minister Avigdor Lieberman has already spoken out against proposals of this nature, saying such bills were harmful to the settlement enterprise and will not resolve the complex issues in the West Bank. "Ma'ale Adumim is located in an area that has always been an inseparable part of historical Israel, the birth place of the people of Israel," the bill proposal states. "The city is located at a crossroads that has a strategic importance both to securing the road to Jerusalem and as a central junction connecting the Jordan Valley, the Judean desert,

and Jerusalem." The bill proposal further states that "the right of the people of Israel to these areas has been recognized by world nations in the Balfour Declaration and in the San Remo Resolution, both of which provided international legitimization to the historical connection between the Jewish people and the Land of Israel, and their right to rebuild their national home there. This recognition of the United Nations in the Jewish people's right to establish their state in their land cannot be taken away. These statements, which appear in Israel's Declaration of Independence and define the people of Israel's historical and legal right to their land, are true for the city of Ma'ale Adumim as well." The proposal also notes that applying Israeli sovereignty on the city will not significantly change the demographic situation in Israel or harm the state's democratic nature. ([YNETNEWS 19 January 2017](#))

- The Jerusalem Municipality has begun erecting cement pillars along the promenade to prevent cars from veering off the road and onto the boardwalk in Jabal Al Mukkabir town in East Jerusalem. This was done to protect passersby from further vehicular attacks and accidents. Protective measures were already taken the day after the attack, when a temporary fence was set up all along the boardwalk. ([YNETNEWS 19 January 2017](#))
- The head of the Finance Ministry department that enforces planning and construction laws lives in an illegal West Bank settlement outpost. Avi Cohen, a lawyer, lives in Palgei Mayim, an outpost of the Eli settlement. Palgei Mayim was established in 2001 and has about 40 homes, some of them mobile homes. No master plan has ever been approved for Eli, because parts of the settlement are built on privately owned Palestinian land. Cohen's job includes issuing demolition orders for illegal construction inside Israel, though he has no authority over demolitions in the West Bank. He instituted the proceedings that resulted in the state's bulldozing of 11 homes in Kalansua last week. Eli was founded on the basis of a 1984 cabinet resolution. During the late 1990s, a series of outposts to Eli were created, including Palgei Mayim. All the homes in Palgei Mayim were served with demolition orders between 2001 and 2007. According to Israel's Civil Administration in the West Bank, about half these houses sit on privately owned Palestinian land, and the rest are on what it known as "survey land," meaning it hasn't yet been surveyed to find out whether it's state land or privately owned. In 2014, the state finally drafted a master plan for Eli, but it was put on ice after a petition to the High Court of Justice resulted in the court issuing an injunction against approving it. In any case, the plan doesn't include Palgei Mayim, which can't be legalized

unless the Knesset passes legislation authorizing the confiscation of private Palestinian land. With legal building permits unavailable, Eli and other nearby settlements have issued “in principle” permits for buildings that comply with the still-unapproved master plan. These “in principle” permits have no legal validity whatsoever. Cohen was appointed head of the department two years ago. He had previous experience in the Planning Administration back when it was still part of the Interior Ministry, before it was transferred to the treasury in summer 2015. In 2016, according to treasury statistics, the department issued 152 demolition orders and demolished 51 buildings larger than 50 square meters. The comparable figures for 2015 were 24 and 16, respectively. These figures cover the entire country aside from the south, where demolitions are the responsibility of the Public Security Ministry. ([Haaretz](#) 19 January 2017)

- A revised version of a controversial draft law that would define Israel as the nation-state of the Jewish people is to be discussed on Sunday by the Ministerial Committee for Legislation. The body will decide whether the government will support the bill. New to the latest iteration of the bill — and to Israel’s law books — is a clause guaranteeing equal rights to all its citizens. The softened version of the bill was drafted by MK Benny Begin (Likud), the son of the late Prime Minister Menachem Begin. In addition to the guarantee of equal rights, the updated proposal also states that Israel operates under a democratic form of government — a fact that is not mentioned in the Israeli Declaration of Independence. The previous government failed in attempts to advance two separate versions of the nation-state bill. Habayit Hayehudi and the right wing of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s own Likud party demanded that the bill subordinate Israel’s democratic character to its Jewish identity in such areas as Supreme Court rulings. Another version, promoted by Netanyahu, simply stipulated that Israel is the nation-state of the Jewish people, as part of his demand making Palestinian recognition of Israel’s Jewish identity a precondition for resuming the peace negotiations. Begin’s draft, which he says is based on the Declaration of Independence, is seen as the most moderate version and could solve the disagreement in the coalition. The bill consists of two clauses. The first defines Israel as “the Jewish people’s nation-state, based on the foundations of liberty, justice and peace in the light of Israel’s prophets’ vision, and upholds equal rights for all its citizens.” The second clause says “Israel is a democracy.” Yesh Atid, currently an opposition party, said it would support this bill. MK Roy Folkman (Kulanu) said his party would

- object to any legislation that discriminates against Arab citizens or undermines the Supreme Court. ([Haaretz](#) 19 January 2017)
- The Jewish National Fund has acted as it pleases for years with little if any government oversight. In the comptroller's first-ever report into the JNF, Joseph Shapira referred to the attorney general two instances of funding that raise suspicions of criminal behavior at the organization, known in Hebrew as Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael. In one case the JNF used offices at Ariel Sharon Park near Tel Aviv, allegedly in return for transferring funds to the park. The other case involved funding allegedly provided to the Shenkar School of Engineering and Design. The comptroller was particularly critical of Efi Stenzler, who was JNF world chairman from 2006 to 2015, and his cochairman, Eli Aflalo, who served between 2012 and 2015. The JNF was founded in 1901 to buy land in prestate Israel with money donated by Jews around the world. It later also assumed responsibility for preparing land for Jewish settlement. In 1961 an accord was signed to create the Israel Land Authority, which coordinated management of the land. Also created was the Land Development Administration, which became the executive arm of the JNF's core operations. The accord called for the government to appoint a minister overseeing the agreement, but according to the comptroller, the government never appointed such an official. A joint state-JNF commission was established to oversee the Land Development Administration, but that body has not convened since the 1970s. "Since the commission has not been meeting in recent decades, the JNF has been setting its own policy," Shapira said in the report. "Israeli governments neglected their rights and public duties as stated in the accord to influence, via the commission, the JNF's priorities for developing Israeli lands, most of which are owned by the state." The JNF's gross income from its land came to 10.5 billion shekels (\$2.8 billion) between 2008 and 2014. Eight percent of that came from donations, but the bulk, around 8 billion shekels, came from managing the land it owns. "But during those years, the JNF used only around a third of its income, 3.5 billion shekels, to carry out its public duties in the realm of land development and forestation," Shapira said. "In contrast, some 43 percent of its income during those years (4.5 billion shekels) was used by the JNF to boost its financial assets," the comptroller said, adding that the JNF did this "without doing any staff work to determine the necessity of this accrual or to determine whether at least some of the money could be used to advance its main public purpose, redeeming barren land." Lacking government oversight, the JNF administration felt free to refuse to cooperate with the agriculture, tourism and defense ministries on projects, Shapira said, adding that

this was felt most painfully at the Negev and Galilee Development Ministry. The JNF board had determined that two-thirds of the development administration's operating budget should be spent in the Negev and the Galilee, but there is no way to know if that's what happened because no one was auditing or overseeing spending, Shapira said. Decision-making at the JNF was also problematic, he said. To read full report, ([Haaretz](#) 19 January 2017)

- Israeli engineers have put the final touches on two new interchanges expected to drastically slash travel time to the capital. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu opened a new tunnel, calling it "a historic moment for the road to the capital," noting that this was the best version yet of a road that has served generations of pilgrims for centuries. According to estimates by the Transportation Ministry, the tunnels and bridge are expected to cut travel time from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem to about 30 minutes (from about 50) if there is no traffic congestion. ([TIMES OF ISRAEL](#) 19 January 2017)
- Ma'ale Adumim Mayor Benny Kashriel will be seeking congressional support for the Israeli annexation of the West Bank city during his visit to Washington DC for the inauguration of President-elect Donald Trump. Kashriel is one of three settler leaders, including Efrat Council head Oded Revivi and Samaria Regional Council head Yossi Daganwho, who traveled to the US to witness the entry of a new administration in Washington. ... In Israel right wing lawmakers are losing no time in moving forward to secure West Bank settlements, beginning with Ma'aleh Adumim, which is located just outside of Jerusalem. On Sunday the Ministerial Legislative Committee is scheduled to debate a private members bill to annex Ma'aleh Adumim, including the contentious area of E1, which has been a red-line for the international community. ([JPOST](#), [Haaretz](#) 20 January 2017)
- **New bill seeks to deny Palestinian security prisoners academic studies:** The Ministerial Committee for Legislation is expected to discuss a proposed bill next week that would deny security prisoners academic studies while they are in prison. The bill, introduced by Yisrael Beytenu MK Robert Ilatov, will change Israel Prison Service directives to ensure "a security prisoner will not be eligible to study in an institute of higher learning." The bill won the support of Defense Minister Avigdor Lieberman. "Providing the opportunity of academic studies -- as opposed to family visits, radio, television and the like -- is not a right, but rather an excessive privilege that we should not provide to prisoners who were involved in terrorist activity," the bill's abstract said. "This does not contribute to their rehabilitation and will not distance them from terror after they are released from prison, and

it is blatantly and unreasonably given as a 'prize.' The High Court of Justice also ruled that security prisoners constitute a group in themselves, and that there is no place to claim [unfair] discrimination based on a comparison between this group and other groups of prisoners, with respect to withholding academic studies." The bill noted that in 2015 the High Court approved an IPS decision to limit prisoners' options for academic studies, but determined that every case must be examined individually. Higher education is not a right granted to prisoners in international law, but rather a privilege granted by the IPS in the absence of a clear policy or legislation. Meanwhile, police and the prison service foiled an attempt on Wednesday to smuggle cellphones and money to Haymoni Muataz, a Fatah-affiliated prisoner from Hebron serving a life sentence in Nafha Prison. Muataz was sentenced to six life sentences for his involvement in a suicide bombing in April 2002 at the entrance to Mahane Yehuda market in Jerusalem that claimed the lives of six people and injured 104. At the end of an extensive undercover investigation, police came to suspect that operatives outside the prison were running errands for Muataz. Israeli forces captured one of the suspects red-handed on Wednesday with three cellphones and cash, foiling the attempt to smuggle them into the prison. The suspect and the security prisoner were arrested on suspicion of a series of serious crimes, including conspiracy to commit a crime, use of contraband to abet terrorism and violation of IPS directives. ([ISRAELHAYOM](#) 20 January 2017)

- The Trump administration has begun deliberations over whether to move its embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, White House press secretary Sean Spicer said on Sunday. "We are the very beginning stages of even discussing this subject," Spicer said in a statement. One adviser to US President Donald Trump, Kellyanne Conway, has said it is a top priority for the new administration, which took office just three days ago. Conway said that Middle East peace would be a topic of conversation in Trump's first phone call with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, taking place this hour. ([IPOST](#) 23 January 2017)
- Israel's Security Cabinet voted on Sunday [to delay discussion on a proposal to annex one of the largest Israeli cities in Judea and Samaria](#) until after the Prime Minister meets with newly sworn-in President Donald Trump. The bill, which would extend Israeli law over the city of Maale Adumim, just east of Jerusalem, was pushed off in a unanimous vote as ministers ruled Prime Minister Binyamin

Netanyahu should meet with the new American administration before altering the status quo in Judea and Samaria. If passed, the law would represent the first step Israel has taken since 1967 to extend its sovereignty over parts of Judea and Samaria, when the municipal boundaries of Jerusalem were enlarged. Netanyahu is slated to visit Washington in late March, though sources close to the Prime Minister have indicated he is looking to meet with President Trump early in February, *Yediot Aharonot* reported. On Sunday the White House announced that President Trump would speak with Netanyahu by phone later that day, in their first conversation since the inauguration. MK Yoav Kish (Likud), one of the drafters of the annexation bill, said he disagreed with the decision by the cabinet to push off the vote, though he understood the reasoning behind the move. "I didn't agree to remove the bill from the agenda, though I understand the delicacy [required] in dealing with a new government [in the White House]," said Kish. "In my opinion, it would have been better to pass the bill in the Ministerial Committee for Legislation, and then hold off on a vote by the full Knesset until after updating President Trump. That being said, I've accepted the Security Cabinet's decision for the time being." (INN, [Haaretz](#) 22 January 2017)

- Intelligence and Atomic Energy Minister Yisrael Katz is expected to present diplomatic-security cabinet meeting a proposal to annex dozens of settlements in the Jerusalem area, including Ma'aleh Adumim, as part of an Israeli diplomatic initiative. Katz's proposal comes on top of Habayit Hayehudi chairman and Education Minister Naftali Bennett's move to enact a law that would apply Israeli sovereignty to Ma'aleh Adumim, also set to be discussed at the cabinet meeting. On Sunday morning, Katz announced that he agreed with Netanyahu to bring up his initiative, dubbed the "Israeli initiative plan," at the meeting. Against the backdrop of global and regional realities, Katz stressed, Israel must undertake a widespread initiative coordinated with the new American administration so that it provide it with backing or even lead some of the moves. The issue of annexing Ma'aleh Adumim came up at the Likud ministers' meeting that took place earlier on Sunday. Science, Technology and Space Minister Ofir Akunis slammed Bennett at the meeting, against the backdrop of the pressure the latter is exerting on the prime minister regarding the Ma'aleh Adumim law. However, Akunis also told Netanyahu that unlike him, he himself opposes the two-state solution, as is the Likud's position. Yisrael Katz's five-part plan is comprised of several parts: 1. The annexation of settlements around Jerusalem – Ma'aleh Adumim, Givat Ze'ev, Gush Etzion and Betar Ilit – and their inclusion in what

Katz calls the "Greater Jerusalem metropolitan area" while maintaining their municipal independence, similar to Paris or London. 2. The establishment of a similar municipal authority for the Palestinian neighborhoods in Jerusalem that are situated beyond the separation barrier and are today cut off from all municipal services. 3. Reaching an understanding with the Trump administration over Israeli policy on building in the settlements in a way that would allow free construction for all populations in East Jerusalem, as well as an understanding on construction within the municipal area of the Jewish settlements in the West Bank. 4. Promotion of the plan to build an island off the Gaza Strip, home to a port, water desalination facilities and energy facilities, which would give Gazans a gateway to the world in accordance with security arrangements. 5. Promotion of the "tracks to the East" plan, connecting railways from the Mediterranean Sea and the Haifa port to Jordan and Arab Sunni countries. The Palestinian Authority would be connected to the rail network as well. Katz's proposal, which significantly includes settlement annexation and accelerated construction in the West Bank, comes as Bennett pressures the government to reject the two-state solution and promote Israel's gradual annexation of all settlements. The first step in this framework would be the promotion of the Bennett-backed bill aimed at annexing the West Bank settlement of Ma'aleh Adumim, slated to come up for a vote Sunday in a ministerial panel, though it remains unclear whether it will come to a vote. ([Haaretz](#) 22 January 2017)

- It is doubtful whether U.S. President Donald Trump knows exactly where Ma'aleh Adumim is, or whether the term E-1 – the area that was annexed to the Ma'aleh Adumim municipality – brings back childhood memories. But this won't last for long. It seems the Israeli government has decided to give Trump a crash course in understanding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and, mainly, to give him a loyalty test without any preparation. Only two days after Trump's swearing-in, the Ministerial Committee for Legislation is scheduled to discuss Sunday the annexation of the West Bank settlement to the State of Israel, in order to quickly prepare a draft of the bill to be presented to the Knesset for approval. The conventional wisdom is that from the moment Trump was elected president, Israel received a stamp of approval to carry out any scheme it could think of in the West Bank and East Jerusalem. Based on this logic, there is actually no need to put Trump to the test, and no need to rush as if this were a window of opportunity that might close at any second. But as everyone knows, gangs of thieves are never confident that the policeman they bribed will not turn against them at the last minute. Hence the urgency to grab Ma'aleh Adumim and

annex it to Israel. The “Trump Test” is not the only reason for this grab. A bitter competition is raging in Israel for the “nationalism” trophy, territorial patriotism and shaping the nature of the far right. But the future and interests of Israel serve only as a side issue in this competition. The main aim is to rake in the greatest political profit from the act of annexation itself. The rules of the game compel those who also oppose the annexation – or, at the very least, have doubts about the wisdom of such a move – to express support for it so that they won’t find themselves outside the consensus or be branded a traitor. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu sends his “associates” to tell the bill’s sponsors of his displeasure with it, instead of forcefully banging on the table himself. His loyal follower, Regional Cooperation Minister Tzachi Hanegbi, told Army Radio that he opposes the bill because “we are not losing control and not losing restraint” like another right-wing party, Habayit Hayehudi. There are also those quietly praying – such as Finance Minister Moshe Kahlon, Health Minister Yaakov Litzman and Interior Minister Arye Dery – and seemingly hoping that the hand of God will stop this idiocy at the last moment, instead of standing firm and building a wall against being dragged into the abyss. It is pointless mentioning the opposition at this stage, since the dead cannot speak. If there is a sane right wing in the government, here is its opportunity to remove this crazy proposal from the agenda. The annexation of Ma’aleh Adumim is the first step on the road to the annexation of other settlements like Gush Etzion, Kiryat Arba and Ariel – and, ultimately, the entire West Bank. In such a case, Israel will cease to exist as a Jewish and democratic state, and officially become an apartheid one. ([Haaretz](#) 22 January 2017)

- Four days after the inauguration of US President Donald Trump, Israel announced plans to build an additional 2,500 units inside West Bank settlements. Liberman and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu agreed to approve plans for the units in order to answer local housing needs. Most of the new units will be inside the major settlement blocs, with Liberman saying that only 106 are outside the blocs. Twenty of the units are to be built in Beit El. Of the 2,500 units, just under half are existing projects that will now be advanced, and the others are in the early stages of authorization. The largest number of units, 902, will be built in Ariel. Ma’aleh Adumim is to get 112 units; Givat Ze’ev will get 652; Oranit, 154; Alfei Menashe, 78; Efrat, 21; Elkana, 18, Betar Illit, 87; and four in Gush Etzion. In addition, 86 units are earmarked for settlements in the Binyamin regional council, and 385 for settlements in the Shomron regional council. Liberman said that, in parallel to these moves, he will bring for the security cabinet’s approval plans to

establish a Palestinian industrial zone near Tarkumiya, south of Hebron. ([IPOST](#) 24 January 2017)

- Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's recent 'green light' to settlement construction in Occupied East Jerusalem could see plans for more than [10,000 new housing units](#) advance. (1) Givat Hamatos A – 2,600 housing units (2) E1 – at least 3,700 housing units and 2,100 hotel rooms (3) Givat Hamatos D – 1,100 hotel rooms, (4) Har Homa West – between 400 – 1,500 housing units (5) Kidmat Zion – 230 housing units, (6) Herod's Gate – 21 housing units, synagogue and public buildings (7) Ramat Shlomo – 500 housing units (8) Gilo Southwest – 2,100 housing units (9) Ultra-Orthodox neighbourhood in Atarot – thousands of housing units. ([MIDDLE EAST MONITOR](#) 24 January 2017)
- **Imagine** an Israel without checkpoints from Jenin to Jerusalem: Speaking at a strategic affairs conference on Tuesday, Education Minister Naftali Bennett presented his vision for the future of Judea and Samaria, advocating partial annexation of the area, along with expanded autonomy for the Palestinian Authority and massive investment over the Green Line. Bennett addressed a gathering organized by the Institute for National Security Studies (INSS), an independent think tank at Tel Aviv University, slamming the two-state solution while presenting details for an alternative arrangement. "First point," said Bennett, "a Palestine exists," referring to the Hamas regime in Gaza. "Granted, it's a terror state. It terrorizes its own population and attacks Israeli schools and hospitals using rockets and attack tunnels." "This leads to the second point: Apply Israeli law in Area C, the Israeli controlled areas." "We will not annex the land, because one can only annex something foreign. This is the Land of Israel, to which Jews have been connected for thousands of years. It is where 450,000 Israelis live." Area C, which is under full Israeli control, constitutes roughly 60% of Judea and Samaria. All Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria are located in Area C, while only 4-5% of Palestinian Arabs live there. The remaining 95% live in Area A, under autonomous Palestinian Authority control and in Area B, also under PA control except for security because of its geographic proximity to Israeli communities. The three areas were designated in the Oslo Accords. "There are also some 80,000 Arabs living in Area C. They'll be offered Israeli citizenship or residency; it'll be up to them." In addition to annexing most of Judea and Samaria, Bennett reiterated his support for expanded autonomy for the Palestinian Authority in those areas not

annexed by Israel. "My third point: Autonomy on steroids in Areas A and B, the Palestinian controlled areas. The rest of Judea and Samaria, will be a Palestinian Autonomy. The PA will change: from Palestinian Authority, to Palestinian Autonomy. It will be less than a state." "A state manages its taxes, postal service and hospitals. It holds elections, has a flag and provides education. The Palestinian Autonomy will do this, and more, but it will not be a state. "There are two things it won't do: Firstly, it will not allow millions of descendants of Palestinian immigrants to enter. They would end up marching towards Haifa and Tel Aviv. Second, the PA will never have an army. "So the Palestinians will not have a state, but they will have a strong autonomy." Beyond strengthening the Palestinian Authority, Bennett advocated what he dubbed a "Marshall Plan for Judea and Samaria" referring to the successful United States post WWII plan, named for then US Secretary of State George Marshall, for rebuilding Western Europe's economy. "Developing Judea and Samaria will improve the lives of everyone living there. It will reduce violence and build co-existence," Bennett said, calling to "drastically increase the amount of entry points from the P.A. to Israel, and the number of work permits for Palestinians." Bennett also called for major infrastructure upgrades in the area, including the revamping of Route 60, the primary north-south road in Judea and Samaria. He also advocated creating a "free tourism zone" which would permit travel from Judea and Samaria into pre-1967 Israel without security checkpoints. "Turn Route 60 into an actual highway. Build a Palestinian land port in Jenin. Establish a free tourism zone. Imagine Christian pilgrims traveling from Nazareth to Nablus. From there they would go to Jerusalem and Bethlehem – without stopping at checkpoints. Imagine the jobs a revamped tourism industry would create. These actions and others would give everyone a better life." ([INN](#) 24 January 2017)

- The rabbi of Maaleh Adumim, Rabbi Mordechai Nagari, said to *Arutz Sheva* that Israel should apply its sovereignty to all of the communities in Judea and Samaria and not just to Maaleh Adumim. "It's not the Torah's approach to say 'I have rescued myself.' What about all the other communities in Judea and Samaria? Don't they deserve construction laws and labor laws? Today it is possible to fire a pregnant woman in Judea and Samaria because we are second-class citizens." Israeli law does not allow firing a pregnant woman and mandates allowing her return after the paid months of post-birth vacation for 45 days before she can be fired. The IDF Civil Administration does not impose Israeli law in Judea and Samaria, leading to these inequities as well as those regarding land ownership.

Taxes and IDF service are the same for Israelis in Judea and Samaria. Rav Nagari added that demolition orders for Amona and for the nine houses in Ofra would have been prevented if these houses had been under Israeli sovereignty. "If Amona and Ofra had been under Israeli sovereignty a while back we could have reached a compensation agreement without any demolition as is accepted in the State of Israel and there would be no need for regulation." "The Torah says that one should not distinguish between one Jew and another Jew and we should apply sovereignty to all of Judea and Samaria," concluded Nagari. ([INN](#) 24 January 2017)

- The Supreme Court issued an injunction Monday evening temporarily freezing the outline to construct new homes for the residents of Amona and forbidding the State from carrying out any work on the plots set aside for the construction after Arabs from the town of Silwad **submitted a petition** in which they claimed ownership of the plots. The petition was filed by the leftist organization Yesh Din on behalf of the residents of Silwad who claim ownership of the land near the town of Amona. The mayor of Silwad also participated in the petition. The petitioners asked the court to halt all proceeding by the State on the plots which were to be carried out in accordance with the agreement reached between the government and the residents of Amona last month. Under the agreement, the State would provide alternative housing for the residents on the same hill, and they would peacefully evacuate by February 8. Yesterday, the residents of Amona submitted a letter to Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and Education Minister Naftali Bennett **accusing the government of violating the agreement** by not beginning construction of the new housing even though only a few weeks remain until their current homes are scheduled to be destroyed. The residents called on the government to save their current homes by passing the Regulation Bill to retroactively legalize their community in its entirety. ([INN](#) 24 January 2017)
- The State Department is reviewing a last-minute decision by former Secretary of State John Kerry to send \$221 million dollars to the Palestinians late last week over the objections of congressional Republicans. The department said Tuesday it would look at the payment and might make adjustments to ensure it comports with the Trump administration's priorities. Kerry formally notified Congress that State would release the money Friday morning, just hours before President Donald Trump took the oath of office. Congress had initially approved the Palestinian funding in budget years 2015 and 2016, but at least two GOP lawmakers - Ed Royce of California, the chairman of the

House Foreign Affairs Committee, and Kay Granger of Texas, who sits on the House Appropriations Committee - had placed holds on it over moves the Palestinian Authority had taken to seek membership in international organizations. Congressional holds are generally respected by the executive branch but are not legally binding after funds have been allocated. Granger released a statement Tuesday saying, "I am deeply disappointed that President Obama defied congressional oversight and released \$221 million to the Palestinian territories." She added, "I worked to make sure that no American taxpayer dollars would fund the Palestinian Authority unless very strict conditions were met. While none of these funds will go to the Palestinian Authority because of those conditions, they will go to programs in the Palestinian territories that were still under review by Congress. The Obama Administration's decision to release these funds was inappropriate." The Obama administration had for some time been pressing for the release of the money, which comes from the U.S. Agency for International Development and is to be used to fund humanitarian aid in the West Bank and Gaza, to support political and security reforms and to help prepare for good governance and the rule of law in a future Palestinian state, according to the notification sent to Congress. ([Haaretz](#) 25 January 2017)

- The Hebrew newspaper Israel Hayom reported that the mayor of Jerusalem, Nir Barkat, had presented a scheme to the American administration to move the US Embassy to Jerusalem in phases. Barkat said in his speech at a conference organized by the Professors Forum for Political and Economic Immunity at Bar-Ilan university that moving the US Embassy will start by transferring the embassy's functions one after another until it completely works from occupied Jerusalem. "If we act wisely, we will succeed," he added. Ze'ev Elkin, Israeli Minister of Jerusalem Affairs and Environmental Protection, said in the same conference that the situation in Jerusalem must be changed in favor of Israel in stages especially with the presence of a wide consensus on this among the political parties. ([PALINFO](#) 25 January 2017)
- Israeli Interior Minister Aryeh Deri revoked the residency status of 11 family members of Martyr Fadi al-Qunbar, in Jerusalem's Jabal Al Mukkabir town earlier this month. Deri announced that he would take measures to immediately cancel the residency status of the family members, many of whom were living and working in Israel under a family reunification program. (Al Quds 26 January 2017)

- Israel moved swiftly to take action on 73% of the list of 2,500 settler homes that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Defense Minister Avigdor Liberman promised to advance and authorize, the nongovernmental group Peace Now reported. The Housing Ministry approved tenders for 723 of the homes, including 552 in the Givat Ze'ev settlement, 90 in Ma'aleh Adumim, 78 in Alfei Menashe and 3 in Ariel. It noted that the tenders would mostly likely be published in February and March. Separately, it said the Civil Administration's Higher Planning Committee advanced plans for 1,123 units, including 839 units in the Ariel settlement, 20 in Beit El, 260 in Tzufin and four in Oranit. The committee also took action on a project that had not been on Netanyahu and Liberman's list: the advancement of plans to legalize the Horesh Yaron outpost, which houses an educational facility for teenagers. Located near the Talmon settlement, it was first built in 1996 with NIS 50,000 from the Construction Ministry. ([IPOST](#) 26 January 2017)
- Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations Danny Danon suggested that he welcomes US President Trump's plan to sign an executive order that would halt all US funding to UN agencies that recognize the Palestinian Authority or Palestine Liberation Organization as a full member. "The Palestinians continue threaten us with additional unilateral actions and we will continue to battle these attempts," Danon said after news of the potential initiative broke out "We welcome any initiative aimed at thwarting these attacks." "The international community must make clear to the Palestinians once and for all that the only way to move forward is by them ending terrorism and incitement and returning to direct negotiations," the ambassador added. The move, first reported in the *New York Times*, would create a committee tasked with reviewing US aid to the international bodies and programs. The order specifically calls for a review of aid to UN peacekeeping efforts. The Palestinians enjoy "non-member state" status at the UN, which grants them limited operational freedoms. Washington funds roughly 22 percent of the UN's overall annual budget. Trump's consideration of this executive order, titled "Auditing and Reducing US Funding of International Organizations," pairs with a Senate effort to legislate similar threats against the UN over its actions targeting Israel. That effort, led by senators Ted Cruz of Texas and Marco Rubio of Florida, gained steam after the Obama administration last month abstained from a Security Council resolution condemning Israel over its settlement enterprise. The executive order would also target organizations that circumvent sanctions against Iran, or that support reproductive rights. ([IPOST](#) 26 January 2017)

- The Yesha Council is concerned over the government's approval of the construction of 2,500 housing units in Judea and Samaria. With the shift in power from the Obama Administration to the Trump Administration, the council expected the government to quickly shift away from the policy of freezing construction in Judea and Samaria and parts of Jerusalem, and considers 2,500 units to be insufficient to meet the needs of their communities. The Yesha Council therefore initiated a campaign titled 'Stop the Bloc Plan of the Netanyahu Government,' and called for construction to resume before the Prime Minister's meeting with President Trump. The Yesha Council called the initial announcement of the plans to build 2,500 units as "a sham," stating that its members were disappointed with the small number of units and that most of the structures would never be built. They said that the government's focus on the major blocs called into question its commitment to the residents of Judea and Samaria, and called on the government to approve their plans for new construction in Judea and Samaria. ([INN](#) 26 January 2017)
- The Jerusalem municipality gave final approval to 153 housing units in the Gilo neighborhood in southern Jerusalem. The Jerusalem City Councilman and Deputy Mayor Meir Turgeman said number of building permits issued by the municipality had spiked since President Donald Trump's inauguration last Friday. The permits issued included projects frozen in recent years because of pressure applied by the Obama administration on Israel, Turgeman said. In the days since the Trump inauguration, Turgeman has promised to massively expand the number of housing units approved by the city. "I'm going to deliver permits for thousands of homes in Jerusalem in the coming months," Turgeman said. Specifically, Turgeman has said as many as 11,000 housing units could be approved in neighborhoods in eastern Jerusalem, following eight years of limited construction. On Sunday, city approved 566 building permits for homes in eastern Jerusalem. Two days later, the Defense Ministry approved 2,500 homes in Judea and Samaria, marking the end of the de facto building freeze on Israeli projects over the Green Line. ([INN](#) 26 January 2017)
- The Israeli Supreme Court President Justice Miriam Naor will hold an urgent hearing on Monday about the request of nine families in the town of Ofra to postpone their eviction from their homes by three months. The Court recently ruled that the nine homes must be demolished by February 8. On Wednesday, the families living in the homes in question submitted a request to postpone the eviction because the homes to which they are planning to move are not yet ready. Earlier this week, the residents of Ofra announced [they would](#)

[launch a new campaign](#) starting on Sunday to prevent the eviction. As part of the campaign, the leaders of the community plan to begin a hunger strike in front of the Prime Minister's Office. Among the hunger strikers will be former Yesha Council chairman Pinchas Wallerstein, the Secretary General of Amana Ze'ev Hever (Zambish), and the Secretary of Ofra, Sami Karsenty. They will demand that the government settle the status of Ofra once and for all. ([INN](#) 26 January 2017)

- The High Court of Justice has decided to allow the Civil Administration to demolish structures adjacent to an illegally built structure in villages inside Israel Defense Forces Firing Zone 918 in the West Bank. The High Court will also allow Civil Administration inspectors to determine what comes under the category of “adjacent” in this regard. Residents of these villages and their attorney, Shlomo Lecker, worry that some inspectors – whom they believe are also settlers – will take advantage of the situation to authorize the immediate and extensive demolition of residential and public structures. On January 11, the High Court instructed the state to prepare a military training plan that would cause minimal disturbance to residents of eight villages in the southern Hebron Hills area that in 1980 was declared a military firing zone. On the same day, as two petitions were being heard against the forced evacuation of the residents, another petition was also heard to freeze 31 demolition orders for an array of structures, including residential structures, several tents, openings for water wells, lavatory structures made of tin, a cement floor with a tent above it that is used as a medical center, classrooms in two villages and 12 solar panels. The justices agreed to the residents' request to issue an interim order to freeze the demolition orders until a general decision is made on the petitions against the evacuation. At the same time, the justices made this order contingent on there being no additional construction in the structures “subject to demolition orders, or adjacent to them.” If this condition is not met, said the justices, “the freeze will not be upheld and the interim order will be invalidated.” It is not entirely clear whether the decision applies to anyone who builds without a permit or just to the petitioners. Nor was the distance that counts as “adjacent” specified. Thus, theoretically, if a young couple erects a residential tent 100 meters from a classroom that is subject to a demolition order, or if a fence is put up there, the High Court would permit the Civil Administration to take down both the tent and the fence, or both the classroom and the tent, even if it is being used as a medical center. Following the hearing and the publication of the minutes, Lecker submitted an urgent request to

the court to either clarify or update the decision, enumerating the problematic issues he sees with it. In his letter to justices Elyakim Rubinstein, Hanan Meltzer and Yoram Danziger, Lecker wrote, “The petitioners fear – and with good cause, unfortunately – that the Civil Administration inspection unit, which includes at least some residents of the nearby Susya settlement, will take an ‘expansive interpretation’ of the decision and view all construction by anyone ‘even at a significant distance from the structures subject to demolition orders’ as a violation of the interim order.” Lecker also argued that “environmental” punishment and infringement of one person’s human rights due to the actions and failings of another is not accepted under Israeli or military law (with the exception of security exigencies). Lecker asked the justices to amend the decision so that it will only be considered a violation if the petitioners themselves build additions to the structures subject to the demolition orders. But at the end of last week, the justices responded that they stand behind their original decision and see no need to change it. They also wrote that “the presumption is upon the respondents, the government authorities, to behave fairly as required.” ([Haaretz](#) 26 January 2017)

- The Israeli military has ordered several Israel Defense Forces battalions to gear up to evacuate the illegal West Bank outpost of Amona after the High Court of Justice decided to suspend a proposed relocation plan, Haaretz has learned. After extending the deadline, the court ordered Amona’s residents to leave the site by February 8 after ruling previously the outpost had been built on land privately owned by Palestinians. A plan to relocate the residents has been stymied, however by claims recently asserted by Palestinians to ownership or other ties to a proposed site not far from Amona. The IDF intends to deploy additional battalions in preparation for the evacuation. The battalions had been due to take part in the evacuation before the court extended its deadline. Therefore the forces are to be pulled away from an operational assignment so that they may see to the unauthorized outpost’s evacuation. About a month and a half ago, 12 soldiers from the Givati brigade left the Tzabar battalion, after refusing to participate in Amona’s evacuation. It was only after the battalion commander advised them that they would not take part in the eviction of residents that they returned to their base. They were told that they would mainly be involved in closing roads in the area of the outpost.
- IDF forces will be responsible for handling any confrontations that may arise with Palestinians and helping to manage access routes. As part of IDF preparations, military units have undergone battle training

including mental preparation, through meetings with actors from the IDF's theater. IDF sources have made it clear in the past, however, that the police are responsible for the evacuation and handling civilians at the site. In the event that the residents don't leave voluntarily, they will be removed by the border police. In December, border police were trained at the IDF's Tze'elim base about how to evict the settlers. The training took place at a site usually used to simulate a refugee camp in Gaza or a Lebanese village. For the Amona training, some of the base's mock buildings were named for individual Amona families. The IDF Spokesman's Office said: "The IDF will continue to fulfill its role in maintaining security in the region and will act to maintain law and order in Judea and Samaria [the West Bank] in accordance with instructions from the political level. Changes in the locations of forces are carried out in accordance with situation assessments." ([Haaretz](#) 26 January 2017)

- Former member of Israeli Knesset Yair Gabai has called for the evacuation of UN headquarters in Jebel Mukaber neighborhood in occupied Jerusalem, Iroshalim Hebrew newspaper revealed. UN headquarters, which was used as the headquarters of the British authorities in Palestine during the British Mandate, has been built on an area of 80 dunums overlooking Jabal Mukaber neighborhood. The paper claimed that the land is owned by Israel and UN staff are secondary tenant and have no right on it. The headquarters was used by the UN Observers following the 1967 war to monitor the truce agreement between Israel and Jordan. Gabai strongly opposes the UN presence on the land, launching a petition calling for its evacuation. ([PALINFO](#) 28 January 2017)
- An Israeli project to prop up ties between West Bank illegal settlements outposts has been underway. According to the Hebrew-speaking Yedioth Ahronoth newspaper, the Israeli occupation authorities made a plan to enhance transportation, excavate tunnels, establish new access roads, and expand the light railway network in an attempt to slash travel time and cost between West Bank settlements and Tel Aviv, Gush Dan, and Occupied Jerusalem. \$5 billion will be invested to enhance infrastructure and the transportation network and also to construct more settlement units in Beit Shemesh, Tsur, and Hadassah, in Occupied Jerusalem. The plan will enable Israeli buses to pass through the Gush Etzion settlement to Tel Aviv through Occupied Jerusalem and also to establish settlement projects in Maaleh Adumim worth 1 billion shekels and an access road for Israeli buses worth 30 million shekels. Earlier, the Israeli Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, approved a bid to construct 2,500 illegal settlement units in

the occupied West Bank, a couple of days after he had signaled the go-ahead for the construction of 600 settlement units in Occupied Jerusalem. ([PALINFO](#) 31 January 2017)

### Monthly Violations Statistics :-

Governorate	Land Confiscated (Dunums)	Lands Threatened of Confiscation (Dunums)	Uprooted Trees/ Burnt trees	Demolished Houses	Demolished structures	Houses threatened of Demolition	Israeli settlers violence
Bethlehem	0	1000	450	0	13	10	3
Jerusalem	0	0	0	13	19	46	11
Jenin	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Tulkarm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	34.363	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	20.989	0	0	17	29	0	8
Salfit	0	0	0	0	2	20	2
Jericho	0	0	0	3	6	2	0
Gaza	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Qalqilyah	0	0	800	0	0	3	2
Hebron	20	0	260	0	0	3	3
Tubas	0	0	0	6	2	5	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>75.352</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1510</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>30</b>