



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt

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The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats in the occupied Palestinian territory, the confiscation and razing of lands, the uprooting and destruction of fruit trees, the expansion of settlements and erection of outposts, the brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army, the Israeli settlers violence against Palestinian civilians and properties, the erection of checkpoints, the construction of the Israeli segregation wall and the issuance of military orders for the various Israeli purposes.

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and/or news sources.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three customs policemen from the Palestinian Authority (PA) as they were working on thwarting a smuggling attempt in Salfit Governorate. Three of the Palestinian patrol officers were arrested and taken to the illegal settlement of Ariel despite the presence of prior coordination with the Israeli side on allowing customs policing in the area. The officers were on a routine patrolling mission when they stopped an Israeli truck laden with a cargo of contraband on a road near Salfit city before the

driver suddenly tried to make a run for it, ramming his vehicle into the patrol car and injuring one of them. Soon after that, Israeli policemen aboard a patrol car came to the area, arrested the customs officers and took them to Ariel settlement. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized a Palestinian-owned agricultural shed and seedlings in Yatta town, south of Hebron. A number of Israeli military vehicles stormed Rifa'iya area in the town and confiscated an agricultural shed and seedlings belonging to the local farmer Mahmoud Amour.
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) conducted foot patrols in Salfit mountains and launched two spy balloons in the sky. The first balloon was launched from Zatara checkpoint, while the second was launched to the east of Salfit, noting that both balloons were equipped with cameras. Foot patrols by Israeli soldiers and officers were seen in the mountains of Salfit in the evening. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)
- An Israeli army unit broke into Burin secondary school, south of Nablus in the north of the West Bank, to arrest a student and ended up terrorizing the students. Heavily armed soldiers broke into the school during the fourth period, when the students were in their classrooms, claiming they were after a student who had thrown rocks at them. (WAFA 29 March 2017)
- A number of Israeli Army troops (IOA) raided Ar Rafayia area in Yatta town south of Hebron city and confiscated an agricultural barracks and seedlings in the area owned by Mahmoud Muhammad Jaber Al 'Oumor. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- Five Palestinian guards at al-Aqsa Mosque are to be brought to an Israeli court. The five guards, among 11 arrested by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) over the past couple of days, will be put on trial at Israel's Central Court, in Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)
- The Israeli court of Beersheba decided to continue the detention of the director of the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency, TIKA, in the Gaza Strip, Mohammed Murtaja who was arrested on 12th February 2017. the Israeli court announced that the next court hearing will be held on 8th May 2017. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three children from the neighborhood of Ras Al-Amoud in Silwan. The IOA arrested three children after raiding their homes in Ras Al-Amoud, they are: Ibrahim

Ammar Saghal (13), Mohammad Mazen Shweiki (16) and Hamdi Jamal Jaber (16). (SILWANIC 29 March 2017)

- The Israeli judge sentenced Mutasem Habib for 3 months of actual imprisonment, a suspended probation of 5 months for 3 years and a 3-thousand NIS fine. (SILWANIC 29 March 2017)
- The Israeli judge extended the arrest of the children Mohammad Burqan and Yousef Abu Sneineh until 19/4/2017, Jamal Al-Ghoul and Majd Abu Rmeileh and Mahmoud's Salah until 30/3/2017. (SILWANIC 29 March 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained citizen Awadallah Adel Al 'Oumour, 18, from Tequ village east of Bethlehem after raiding a number of Palestinian houses in the village and took him to unknown destination. The houses of Talal Issa Al 'Oumor and Jameel Issa Al 'Omour were among the targeted houses in the village of Tequ. (WAFSA 29 March 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained citizen Sultan Bassam Hamdan, 31, from Jenin city after summoning him for interrogation at Salem military camp. (WAFSA 29 March 2017)
- Clashes erupted between the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinians in the village of Jaba' in Jenin Governorate. Many Palestinians suffered Gas Inhalation as the IOA fired Tear Gas bombs at Palestinian civilians in the village. The IOA violently stormed and searched Palestinian houses, attacked civilians and destroyed houses contents. The houses of Mahmoud Aziz Fshafsha, Saif Farahat Fshafsha, Ribhi Fshafsha, Mahmoud Naser Alawneh, Ahmad Anwar Ghannam, Azzam Abu Oun, Muhammad Rajeh Ghannam, ,uha,,ad Hasan Khalilieh and the stores of Nemer Alawneh were known. (WAFSA 29 March 2017)

Israeli Settler Violence

- 58 Israeli settlers, escorted by police troops, stormed holy al-Aqsa Mosque. Settlers broke into the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque and carried out sacrilegious rituals. The break-in comes a couple of days after Muslim guards at al-Aqsa thwarted a stone-theft attempt by an Israeli archaeologist. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)
- Israeli settlers assaulted Palestinian farmers from several Qalqilya area villages in the north of the occupied West Bank. Settlers from the nearby illegal Havat Gilad settlement outpost attacked the farmers who were working on their land. Even though Palestinian farmers had coordinated with the Israeli military to access their lands, the farmers

were surprised when they were attacked by the settlers while the Israeli soldiers present at the scene did nothing to stop them. (Wafa 29 March 2017)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli Jerusalem municipality's bulldozers demolished two houses in the neighborhood of Al-Sal'a in the village of Jabal Al-Mukabber south of Jerusalem under the pretext of building without a permit. The Israeli police along with municipality employees and bulldozers raided the area of "Al-Mrooj- Al-Sal'a" in the village of Jabal Al-Mukabber and surrounded two houses owned by Islam Abbasi and his brother Moussa around 04:30 a.m. and surrounded them before evacuating the residents and proceeding with the demolition operation under the pretext of building without a permit. Islam's family consists of 8 individuals (6 children) while the family of Imam consists of 6 individuals (4 children). The two houses were built in 2014 and have an area of 160 square meters. The family was able to extend and freeze previously issued demolition orders. The last extension was until mid-march, and the family filed a request to freeze the demolition order but the municipality never responded. (SILWANIC 29 March 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) razed to the ground three Palestinian homes under construction in al-Matar area east of Jericho for lacking construction permits.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) destroyed a blacksmith shop, which belonged to the Palestinian Anwar Abu Joudeh, in al-Jeftlik town north of Jericho in the Jordan Valley under the same pretext. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished a Palestinian-owned home in Khillet al-Nahleh, southeast of Bethlehem, that was still in the building stage. The demolished house belonged to Nabhan Nasrallah and the army claimed it was built without a permit. (Wafa 29 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) dismantled a Palestinian owned Caravan that was erected some days ago in Al Himma area in the northern Jordan valley. The caravan is owned by citizen Muhammad Awwad. Note that the family received halt of construction orders to three barracks and a caravan in the area. (Wafa 29 March 2017)

Israeli Closures

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a lathe shop in Hebron city after confiscating its equipment. The IOA also confiscated Equipment, manufacturing tools and parts of homemade weapons from two lathe in Hebron and Yatta. Among owners, a Lathe belonging to Tayseer Abu Sbeih was identified in the southern area of Hebron, where lathe equipment was confiscated. (Maannews 29 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed the iron gate at the entrance of An Nabi Saleh village northwest of Ramallah city in the central West Bank and banned Palestinian movement to and from the village. Palestinians had to search for alternative roads to reach their destination. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

Other

- Israeli Deputy Foreign Minister, Tzipi Hotovely said that Israel will never withdraw to the borders occupied in 1967, as envisioned by the two-state solution. Added that the number of Israeli settlers should be increased in the West Bank to reach 2 million people noting that the number currently stands at around 600,000. Hotovelt made her remarks at a conference in Washington DC in support of Israeli settlement. (MEM 29 March 2017)