



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) shot and injured two Palestinian youths After clashes erupted in the northern Gaza Strip. The Palestinian was injured by Israeli bullets near the border fence in Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip during clashes between Palestinian youths and the IOA. The Palestinian was injured in the foot, and was transferred to the Indonesian hospital for treatment. Meanwhile, another Palestinian was injured in his stomach by an Israeli bullet. His wounds were described as serious by medical crews at the Indonesian

hospital. Both Palestinians were shot by an Israeli sniper stationed at the border between Gaza and Israel for an unknown reason. (Maannews 3 March 2017)

- Friday marches were held in the village of Kafr Qaddum in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliyah, where two Palestinians, including a Palestinian journalist, were injured by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA). Ahmad Shower, a reporter for Palestine TV, was injured in the head, while another Palestinian was injured in the foot by rubber-coated bullets after the IOA suppressed the village's weekly march against the Israeli occupation and settlements. The IOA chased protesters during the march while shooting live and rubber bullets. Very violent clashes erupted between Palestinian youths and the IOA that had raided the village, searched Palestinian homes, and attempted to ambush Palestinians in order to detain them, but failed. (Maannews 3 March 2017)
- In the village of Nabi Saleh in Ramallah Governorate, the IOA and settlers allegedly assaulted Palestinians during a peaceful march launched in the village against Israeli occupation. The IOA fired live ammunition, rubber bullets, sound bombs, and tear gas canisters into the crowd of demonstrators, causing many to suffer from tear gas inhalation. Israeli settlers also attacked Palestinian journalists during the march, reportedly under the protection of Israeli soldiers, forcing them to leave the area. Israeli settlers also threw rocks at Palestinian vehicles and closed the main entrance of the village and prevented anyone from passing. Meanwhile, the IOA closed the gate to the village and banned Palestinians from passing. (Maannews 3 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a group of Palestinians, including women and children, while they were on their lands in the village of Azzun in the northern West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliya. The IOA had detained Samir Mahmoud Shibita, Omar Muen Hussein, six children, and a number of other Palestinians. Shibita identified the four children as Muhammad Arif Dahbour, Thaer Safa Abed, Anas Zahran Shibita, and Mustafa Yassir Shibita. Later in the day another group of farmers, including women, were detained in the village, noting that Israeli soldiers took the cellphones of the detainees and bystanders and deleted photos of the detention process. (Maannews 3 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian shepherds east of Khan Younis in the southern Gaza Strip, in the town of Khazaa. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 3 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) quelled a solidarity march with Palestinian hunger striking detainees in Qalandiya refugee camp in

Occupied Jerusalem. Dozens of Palestinians participated in the peaceful march in solidarity with both hunger striking captives: Jamal Abu Al-Lail and Mohammad Al-Qiq. The IOA showered participants with tear gas and stun grenades while they were approaching Qalandiya's barrier. The forces closed the military checkpoint and blocked traffic because of the solidarity march amid intensive deployment of Israeli military forces. Clashes erupted between Israeli troops and activists who took part in the march. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)

- Heavily-armed Israeli occupation troops have been deployed around Jenin Governorate, in the northern West Bank at daybreak. The IOA patrols sealed off the Nazareth Street, between Jenin and al-Jalama crossroads, with a military checkpoint at the crack of dawn and subjected Palestinian workers to intensive questioning. Other Israeli military squads showed up on the Jenin-Haifa thoroughfare, near the main entrance of Rumana and Zabouba towns. A military checkpoint was set up in the area, where Palestinian vehicles and passers-by have been subjected to exhaustive inspection. The IOA further raked through Palestinian lands and olive groves located between al-Erka town and the access road to Shaked illegal settlement outpost. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a makeshift checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city and kidnapped a university student. Border soldiers set up a roadblock on the Halhoul Bridge in rainy weather and embarked on intercepting cars and checking the IDs of citizens. The IOA stayed on the bridge for about one and a half hour before they rounded up a university student and removed their barriers. They identified the detainee as 22-year-old Mohamed Shalabi, a student at al-Quds Open University. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) provocatively patrolled in the streets of Zabuba And Al Yamun villages west of Jenin city; No arrests were reported. (WAFSA 3 March 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinian youths while allegedly trying to cross the Gaza Strip border fence. The three unarmed young men tried to cross the border fence to the north of Gaza Strip but were detained by IOA soldiers. The three detainees were taken for investigation. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian young man after breaking into different areas of Ramallah in the central West

Bank. Israeli media sources claimed that an activist in Hamas Movement was arrested in Sinjil village town in Ramallah and was taken for investigation. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)

Other

- After delaying a bill at the Knesset calling for annexing the West Bank illegal settlement of Ma'ale Adumim to Occupied Jerusalem until the new US administration assumes office, right-wing Israeli lawmakers intend on Sunday to table it again. According to Haaretz newspaper, the Ma'ale Adumim annexation bill will be introduced at the Knesset's ministerial committee for legislation on Sunday by members of the Knesset Yoav Kish (Likud) and Bezalel Smotrich (Jewish Home). Israel's education minister Naftali Bennett (Jewish home) is a keen advocate of the bill. Recently, Bennett asserted that the arrival of Trump's administration would see a shift in Israel's West Bank settlement activities, including the annexation of Ma'ale Adumim, a massive settlement with some 40,000 Jewish residents. Introdurers and sponsors of the bill intend for the legislation to not only annex Ma'ale Adumim under Israel's sovereignty, but also the surrounding E1 area (occupied in the 1967 war), where Israel has launched a vicious demolition campaign against Bedouin Palestinian communities over the past year. (Haaretz, PALINFO 3 March 2017)