



# ARIJ Daily Report

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 13 April 2017

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

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

*The text is not quoted directly from the sources but is edited for clarity.*

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### Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the town of Abu Dis in the Jerusalem Governorate of the occupied West Bank at noon, causing clashes to break out between the IOA and Palestinian students at al-Quds University, which resulted in several Palestinians being injured. The IOA raided the town and fired tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at students outside the premises of al-Quds University, injuring six students and causing 18

Palestinians to suffer from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 13 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a Palestinian home in the southern occupied West Bank village of Khursa, expelling its residents and setting up a temporary military post there. Israeli soldiers raided Khalid al-Shahatit's home and forced out his family, informing them that they would occupy the house until 4 p.m. The troops also hung an Israeli flag outside of the building. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Fahma in the Jenin Governorate of the northern occupied West Bank, where they interrogated a Palestinian man and confiscated his private vehicle. The IOA raided Ahmad Shafiq Saabneh's house and confiscated his vehicle after interrogating him. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- A flock of Israeli military vehicles rolled into Palestinian lands east of Khan Younis, in southern Gaza Strip. Four Israeli military bulldozers launched a limited incursion into eastern Khan Younis, south of the blockaded Gaza Strip, and leveled the concrete blocks set up at Abu Rida gate. The Israeli bulldozers moved into Palestinian lands at the same time as three army tanks were stationed near the border fence. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) wreaked havoc on civilian homes in Ramallah's eastern town of Silwad and expropriated three vehicles and cash, estimated at \$23,700, before they withdrew from the town. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- For the first time in years, the Israeli municipality in occupied Jerusalem has enforced a law against public displays of leavened bread during Passover at the Old City's gates. The law permits the Israeli municipality to ban the sale of bagels during Passover. However, the law has not been enforced in most of the Old City in years. Municipal inspectors arrived morning in the Old City and confiscated the wares of a bagel vendor at the site and prevented others from selling their goods. Most of the vendors either moved elsewhere or simply stopped selling. However, Zaki Sabah, a longtime bagel vendor, refused to either leave or close, so his wares were confiscated. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Sanur village and stormed the house of Prisoner Muhammad Khaled Ayasa, 23 years, searched it and questioned family members. (Wafa 13 April 2017)

## **Israeli Arrests**

- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Ibrahim al-Adel, Stephen Munther Matar, and Anas Ismail Nawawra were detained. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Two Palestinian students—Yahya Rabi' and Wa'd Fuqaha—enrolled at Birzeit University were kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) from Ramallah. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Bethlehem and kidnapped three Palestinian young men. Palestinian youngster Ghaleb Hamdan was kidnapped by the Israeli soldiers from his family home in al-Tabaqa village, in Hebron's southern town of Dura. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Overnight, Palestinian youngster Iyad Dabaya was kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) as he was passing through a flying military checkpoint pitched east of Jenin Governorate, in the northern West Bank, near Haddad Resort. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)

### **Israeli Settler Violence**

- Dozens of right-wing Israelis and settlers took to the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound, the third day of the Jewish holiday of Passover, as thousands of others performed religious rituals at the Western Wall in the Old City of occupied East Jerusalem. Large groups of Israeli settlers, approximately 385 in total, raided the mosque Thursday morning and throughout the afternoon. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians youths after pulling them out of the Al-Aqsa compound, searching them and informing them that they were banned from entering the mosque. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers entered the northern part of the town of Dura in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron in order to carry out Passover celebrations on the Palestinian town's land. Dozens of Israeli settlers, under the protection of armed Israeli forces, raided Ein Far'a area north of Dura town, which is revered by locals as an important historical site, set up pergolas in the area to celebrate Passover. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Thousands of Israeli settlers, escorted by heavily-armed army, stormed the Ibrahimi Mosque, in Hebron, to mark the Jewish Passover Holiday. Thousands of settlers stormed the Ibrahimi Mosque shortly after the Israeli occupation Army closed the site before the Muslim worshipers and non-Jewish visitors. (Maannews 13 April 2017)

### **Home Demolition & Demolition threats**

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) notified the demolition of a mosque in Silwan town, south of holy al-Aqsa Mosque, under the pretext of unlicensed construction. Israeli municipal crews threatened the demolition of Abdullah al-Sanawi Mosque, in Silwan town, which was built several years ago on an endowed land tract. The mosque is the sole place of worship for nearly 4,000 Muslim inhabitants in the area. (Maannews 13 April 2017)

### **Confiscation & Razing of lands**

- Israeli military vehicles staged a limited incursion in the southern besieged Gaza Strip. Five Israeli army bulldozers entered some ten meters past the border fence east of the city of Khan Yunis and started leveling lands, while Israeli drones were hovering overhead. (Maannews 13 April 2017)

### **Israeli Closures**

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) tightened their military restrictions in Hebron and the neighboring towns. Several military checkpoints were also erected at the northern entrances to the city and the nearby towns while several roads were closed in the area. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) intensified their military presence throughout the Old City and near the Ibrahimi Mosque. Hundreds of settlers carried out collective break-ins into an ancient building in Hebron marking the second day of Passover. Palestinian commercial shops in Hebron Beer Sheva Street were forced to shut down during the settlers' marches. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)