



# ARIJ Daily Report

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 18 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

- Several Palestinians were injured in clashes with the Israeli occupation forces in Occupied Jerusalem. 11 Palestinians were shot and injured with rubber bullets and 23 choked on teargas during the clashes that flared up in Jerusalem's southeastern towns of Alezariye and Abu Dis. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Ezariyah and Abu Dis and attacked the Palestinian protesters with randomly-discharged spates of rubber bullets and teargas canisters. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)

- Hundreds of Palestinian detainees in Israeli jails have been on an open-ended strike for the second consecutive day to protest ill-treatment by the Israeli wardens. Nearly 1,500 Palestinian detainees started an open-ended hunger strike on Monday to mark the Palestinian Prisoners Day and speak up for their infringed rights. The hunger strike also comes in response to the psycho-physical torture, preplanned medical neglect, solitary confinement, and arbitrary sentences Palestinians have been subjected to in Israeli lock-ups. In the meantime, the Israeli occupation authorities opted for a series of punitive measures to force the detainees to throw in the towel. A number of hunger strikers were transferred to isolated cells. A meeting of the Israeli security commission, chaired by Public Security Minister, Gilad Erdan, culminated in an agreement to subject every detainee who joins the hunger strike to exhaustive inter-prison transfers and a round of penalties. The commission further decided to step up search campaigns across Palestinian prison sections so as to force the detainees to succumb to pressure and halt the hunger strike. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- Several Palestinians suffered Gas Inhalation as the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired Tear Gas bombs at Palestinian houses in Al Yamun village west of Jenin city. (WAFA 18 April 2017)

### **Israeli Arrests**

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two Palestinian youngsters near the Ibrahim Mosque, in the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron, claiming they were holding knives. The IOA stopped two Palestinian young men at Abu al-Rish military checkpoint, set up near the Ibrahim Mosque, and subjected them to intensive interrogation before they accused them of carrying knives and detained them. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped Aysar Bilal Rabah Fdeilat, 18, from Al Arroub refugee camp north of Hebron city after raiding his family house in Hebron and messing with the contents. (WAFA 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Ad Dahiryah town and stormed the home of Hazem Khaled Khalil Khulaf and messed with the contents. (WAFA 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Saleh Al Fakhuri after raiding his house in Bab Hatta in the old city of Jerusalem and took him to one of the detention centers in the city. (WAFA 18 April 2017)

- Two Palestinians, including a minor, were arrested near the Ibrahimi Mosque, in Hebron, over an alleged anti-occupation stabbing attack. The two captives were identified as Jamil and Ali al-Ajalouni, both arrested at Abu al-Rish military checkpoint. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- Israeli OCCUPATION army troops broke into Palestinian family homes in Rafidia and al-Mekhfiya in the hunt for Palestinian students affiliated with the Islamic Bloc at An-Najah University. The assault coincides with the student council elections held at An-Najah Campus. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)

### **Israeli Settler Violence**

- 43 Israeli settlers including 12 students raided Al Aqsa Mosque via Al Mughrabi gate and under the cover of the Israeli security Police and carried out provocative tours in the court yard of Al Aqsa Mosque. (WAFA 18 April 2017)

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

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished two Palestinian caravans, used as homes, in the Jabal al-Mukabbir Town of occupied East Jerusalem. Bulldozers escorted by officials from the Israeli Jerusalem municipality stormed the Khallat Abed area in Jabal al-Mukabbir under military protection and demolished the two homes. Muhammad Amin Shqerat, the owner of one of the structures. Shqerat installed the caravan on his land about a month ago and was about to move in with his ten family members. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished Shqerat's home last year, forcing him to rent an apartment. Due to the high cost of living in the area, however, Shqerat built the caravan as a cheaper and more feasible alternative for him and his family. The owner of the second caravan that was destroyed, Ammar Salamah Hdedoun, was "surprised" to find his home destroyed, as neither he nor his family members were present during the demolition. Israeli authorities had demolished Hdedoun's home in 2009, forcing his family of seven to move into the 40-square-meter caravan in 2011. (Maannews, WAFA 18 April 2017)

### **Other**

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) prevented lawyers from visiting Palestinian hunger strikers in Israeli jails to verify reported violations. The Israeli prison authorities at Gilboa jail banned the lawyers from visiting the Palestinian detainees, on the second day of

the mass hunger strike in Israeli jails. The ban was issued under the pretext of the state of emergency imposed by the occupation authorities as of Monday, the first day of the mass hunger strike. The Israeli prison service claimed the detainees can neither stand on their feet nor move to visit halls. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authorities prevented several Palestinian families from visiting their detained relatives in Israeli jails, on the second day of the mass hunger strike. Several families from across the occupied Palestinian territories have endured exhaustive trips, coming from so far away to see their jailed relatives, before they were updated on the ban. Nearly 1,500 Palestinian detainees started on open-ended hunger strike on Monday to mark the Palestinian Prisoners Day and protest the mistreatment they have been made to endure at the hands of the Israeli wardens. The ban falls in line with a series of castigatory measures adopted by the occupation authorities so as to force the detainees to concede defeat and cease the hunger strike. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)