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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.

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

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured three young Palestinian men, one of them critically, and detained two others during clashes in the village of Kafr Malik in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah. One of the injured suffered from a critical chest wound as he was shot at close range. Israeli troops also detained two Palestinian youths. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Three Palestinians were lightly injured after being shot by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) with rubber-coated steel bullets during a small

march in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, as demonstrations continued in solidarity with the hundreds of Palestinian prisoners on hunger strike in Israeli prison. Participants of the march attempted to reach the road that leads the illegal Beit El settlement, but the IOA prevented them by force and fired sound bombs and rubber-coated steel bullets, with three Palestinians sustaining minor gunshot injuries. (Maannews 23 April 2017)

- Several Palestinians suffered from severe tear gas inhalation after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) troops stormed the outskirts of the southern occupied West Bank town of Beit Ummar. The IOA denied worshipers access to the al-Sumud mosque in the al-Thahir area, near the illegal Israeli settlement of Karmi Zur, during afternoon prayers, in addition to placing stones in the middle of the road and blocking both pedestrian and vehicular access. The IOA also fired shots at power lines when they withdrew from the area, causing electricity cuts. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation police suppressed Palestinian citizens participating in a sit-in staged in Silwan town, south of the Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem, in solidarity with the hunger-striking prisoners in Israeli jails. The Israeli policemen violently dispersed the participants and intensively fired stun and tear gas grenades at them. Citizen Suaad Abu Rumuz suffered a shrapnel injury when a stun canister exploded near her during the events. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a private vehicle belonging to citizen Husam Al Amer from Tayaseer village east of Tubas city. (WAFA 23 April 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the town of Beit Fajjar in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem and detained three Palestinians, identified as Muhammad Jafaar Taqatqa, 19, Mahmoud Abdullah Ali, 18, and Alaa Marwan Taqatqa, 19. During the raid in Beit Fajjar, Asaad Ahmad Thawabta, 28, Ali Mustafa Taqatqa, 27, and Alaa Khalid Samour, 27, were ordered to appear for interrogation at Israel's Etzion detention center. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- In southern Bethlehem, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided al-Duheisha refugee camp and detained Iyad Bassam al-Farahin, 21, and Ismail Najib Farraj, 23, after searching their houses. Resident of the

- camp Malik al-Zighari was summoned for interrogation. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- East of Bethlehem city, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Ismail Jamil Hamamra, 48, in the village of Husan. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 18-year-old Saleh Rizq Mousa in the village of al-Khader west of Bethlehem city. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- The 18-year-old Samer Salim Shantir was detained BY THE Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in central Bethlehem on al-Saf street. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Three Palestinians were detained in Nur Shams refugee camp in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Tulkarem. The three were identified as Ibrahim Yasser Suleiman Fahmawi, 24, Mahmoud Fawaz Qasim Abu Sris, 20, and Nasser Ahmad Suleiman al-Khatib, 22. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three 17-year-old Palestinians from the Old City of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA deployed near the illegal Beit Romano settlement detained three Palestinians and forced them into the settlement at gunpoint. The three were identified by locals as Muhammad Majid Abd al-Majid al-Ashqar, Bahaa Mujahid, and Malik Talib Maraqa. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinian boys, all at the age of 17, near the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron city for allegedly possessing sharp tools. The IO soldiers present in the vicinity of the Ibrahimi Mosque arrested the three boys after searching them. They were taken to Beit Romano settlement which is built in the center of Hebron city. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Clashes broke out at al-Shuhadaa crossroads, near the southern entrance to Jenin, shortly after Israeli soldiers in four military jeeps rolled into the area. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian minors in Hebron governorate in the southern West Bank. The detained minors were identified as Ahmad Mohammad and Ahmad Bader of the Zamaarah family in Halhoul town north of Hebron. Both minors, who are only 17 years old, were taken to an unknown destination. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)

Israeli Settler Violence

• Some 100 "Israeli settlers" from the illegal Yitzhar settlement entered the village of Urif from its east side and proceeded to smash windows of houses, included one belonging to resident Munir al-Nouri. Settlers

were about to break into the house before Palestinian villagers gathered and forced them away. Minutes later, a number of Israeli military vehicles stormed the village to protect the settlers. Clashes erupted between Palestinians youth and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) who fired tear gas canisters, stun grenades, and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinians. Four Palestinians were shot with rubber-coated steel bullets, one of whom was hit in the head. The four were identified as Adel al-Safadi, Jihad Saad, Mustafa Fawzi, and Sharif Abd al-Hafith. (Maannews 23 April 2017)

- A group of Israeli settlers attacked Palestinians and their homes in the town of Huwwara, on the southeastern edge of Yitzhar with stones and "sharp objects." A 72-year-old woman, Badiah Muhammad Hamdan, and a young man identified as Ahmad Yousif Udah were injured. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- A young Palestinian man, identified as Asim Salim, 19, was run over by an Israeli settler in al-Masoudiyya west of Nablus city. Salim was trying to cross the road in al-Masoudiyya when a settler's vehicle hit him and fled the scene. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Over 49 Israeli settlers and six intelligence officers stormed al-Aqsa Mosque—the third holiest site in Islam—via the Maghareba Gate. The break-in was carried out under heavy police escort as part of the morning break-in shift that started at around 7 a.m. The break-in follows the seven-day Jewish Passover holiday, during which mass desecration assaults were carried out at al-Aqsa under the religious pretext. According to data by Jerusalem's Awqaf (Endowment) Department, over 1,200 settlers defiled the site during the Passover. Meanwhile, two Palestinian students were arrested by the Israeli forces at al-Aqsa Mosque and transferred to a detention center in the Old City. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- A six-year-old Palestinian child suffered a bullet injury in his abdomen after a Jewish settler opened fire at him near Karma village, south of Hebron. The wounded child was identified as Wael Awawdeh. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

 Israeli occupation authorities delivered demolition orders for two Palestinian-owned homes and a water well in the South Hebron Hills region of the occupied West Bank. Israel's Civil Administration escorted by armed Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided the village of Khirbet Isfey east of Yatta and handed warrants to residents Ismail Hussein Awwad and Elayyan Awwad, notifying them that their two

- single-room residential structures and a water well were ordered to be demolished. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem notified to demolish two Palestinian houses in Silwan city under the pretext of unlicensed building. (Wafa 23 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities raided Kerbit Al Fakhiet east of Yatta Town in the southern of Hebron city and delivered demolition orders for residential barracks owned by Sons of Muhammad Salem Al 'Imour and Muhammad Mahmoud Salameh Al 'Imour. (Wafa 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) notified 12 Palestinian families from Ar Ras Al Ahmar community in the northern Jordan valley to leave their homes on Tuesday and Wednesday to carry out military drillings. (Wafa 23 April 2017)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

• The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) seized a Palestinian land in Ras al-Amoud, in Occupied Jerusalem, under the pretext of "public interest." The land is located in basin 29991, opposite to al-Aqsa Mosque and adjacent to Ras al-Amoud Mosque and the Jewish Cemetery in al-Zaytoun Mount. The land covers an area of more than 1,300 meters. The IOA claimed that the landowners are anonymous and that those claiming ownership of the land should appeal the confiscation decision at the municipality. The land would be used to expand an illegal settlement outpost in Ras al-Amoud and connect the settlement roads to a parking opposite to the Mosque. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)

Israeli Closures

• Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the main entrance to a cluster of villages northeast of Ramallah in central occupied West Bank for unknown reasons. The IOA closed the iron gate installed at the entrance to a road that leads to Bani Zeid, Nabi Saleh, Beit Rima, Kafr Ein, and Qarawat Bani Zeid, which is also a main commuter link from Ramallah to Salfit city a few kilometers further north. The IOA stationed at the gate were preventing all commuters from passing in either direction, while a large number of Israeli soldiers were deployed in the area around the gate. (Maannews 23 April 2017)

Other

FIFA's committee on the Israeli-Palestinian issue has recommended that the federation give the Israel Football Association six months to stop games in the settlements before deciding whether to suspend Israel or any of its teams. The panel recommended that FIFA take the decision during its annual congress in Bahrain on May 10-11. According to a draft report, a copy of which was obtained by Haaretz, the panel recommended that should Israel fail to comply, FIFA would then decide whether to suspend the country or the teams that play in the settlements from the federation. For more information, click to read full report. (Haaretz 23 April 2017)