



# ARIJ Daily Report

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 4 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) carried out large-scale military maneuvers in Khirbet al-Tawil, near Nablus's eastern town of Aqraba, in the northern West Bank. The IOA rolled into Khirbet al-Tawil at the crack of dawn and closed off all access roads to the area, paving the way for the maneuvers. Palestinian farmers and civilians have also been denied access into their farmlands and workplaces. over 30 Israeli tanks and troop carriers have been spotted in Khirbet al-Tawil, at the

- same time as dozens of soldiers have been stationed near civilian homes, sparking tension in the area. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)
- An Israeli military force stormed Dura town, south of Hebron, raided homes and handed several ex-detainees summonses for interrogation from the Shin Bet. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)
  - Dozens of Palestinian vehicles were seized at a flying checkpoint pitched by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) on the access road to Deir Sharaf town, west of Nablus. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles before they subjected the drivers to intensive inspection. Dozens of Palestinian vehicles and civilians lined up in streets due to the traffic jam wrought by the overnight crackdown. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)
  - Violent clashes erupted between Palestinian youngsters and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at Shu'fat checkpoint east of Occupied Jerusalem. Dozens of Palestinian young men suffered breathing problems after the IOA soldiers showered them with tear gas grenades during the clashes. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)
  - Israeli soldiers, stationed across the border fence, east Khan Younis, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip, fired dozens of live rounds at homes and lands, causing property damage. Israeli soldiers, on several towers across the border fence, fire many live rounds, and flares, hitting Palestinian agricultural lands, and many homes. The latest Israeli violation did not lead to any casualties, but caused heavy damage to homes and property, while many Palestinians, mainly children, suffered anxiety attacks. (IMEMC 4 April 2017)

## **Israeli Arrests**

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Omar Hamarsha from the village of Yaabad and confiscated a vehicle belonging to his father, Adnan Hamarsha, who is a former prisoner in Israel.
- In the village of Bartaa, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Hamdan Kanash, 27, and Muhammad Jamal Masoud, 22.
- In the Governorate of Tulkarem, three Palestinians were detained. The three were identified as Hamza Abdullah Yousif and Mumin Abu Sbeika from the village of Farun, and Bassam Abd al-Fattah Hamshari from the village of Izbet al-Jarad. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- In the al-Jalazun refugee camp, located in the central Ramallah Governorate, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinian teenagers. The three were identified as Usayd Murad

Nakhla, 17, Sufian Muhammad Sharaka, 18, and Muhammad Nidal Elayyan, 16. (Maannews 4 April 2017)

- In the Jerusalem Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Ziyad Shamasna, 18, and Bilal Mustafa Shamasna, 19, from the village of Qatanna. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Mustafa Bassam. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- In the Hebron Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three "teenagers" from the al-Arrub refugee camp after raiding their homes and messing with the contents. The three were identified as Wadi' Muhammad Badawi, 16, Abd al-Fattah Khalid Mahfouth, 16, and Muntasir Ahmad. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young man from the village of Idhna, identified as Mutasem Billah al-Jiyawi and took him to unknown destination. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young man from the town of Yatta, identified as Ali Abdullah al-Arouri, 22. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) extended o the administrative detention order for the second time against the Palestinian lawyer Basel Mezher, 24, from al-Duhaisheh refugee camp, south of Bethlehem. The six months extension order was issued based on the so-called "the secret file" which neither prisoners nor lawyers are allowed to access. Israeli attorney general claimed that the extension order was issued for security reasons. Mezher was arrested in October, 2016 after Israeli soldiers stormed his home in the refugee camp. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)

### **Israeli Settler Violence**

- Hundreds of Israeli settlers stormed at daybreak Joseph's Tomb in Nablus, in the northern occupied West Bank. over seven buses carrying hundreds of Israeli settlers rolled into Nablus's eastern zone under heavy police escort. The Israeli settlers broke into Joseph's Tomb and performed sacrilegious rituals. Overnight, Israeli military patrols cordoned off the environs of the tomb as they set the stage for the break-in. Clashes flared up in the area between the Israeli soldiers and the Palestinian anti-occupation youth in Amman Street and near the northern entrance to Balata refugee camp, east of Nablus. The occupation forces attacked the Palestinian protesters with randomly-discharged barrages of teargas canisters. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)

## Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- Israeli soldiers demolished fourteen apartments, in addition to an agricultural room and four walls, in “Sheikh ‘Anbar” area, in Zaim village, east of occupied East Jerusalem, reportedly for being built without permits. Dozens of soldiers, and personnel of the Jerusalem City Council, invaded the village and demolished three residential buildings and one flat. The demolished properties were three residential buildings of thirteen apartments; one of the buildings had two apartments; in addition to three-story and four-story buildings, each floor had two apartments. The demolished properties are owned by Othman Abu Sbeitan, Ahmad Shanbar, and Ayman ad-Daya. One of the buildings was ready for families to move in, and one was still under-construction, in addition to an already inhabited building where a family of eleven lived. Furthermore, Israeli bulldozers demolished five walls belonging to the families of ‘Alqam, Natsha and al-‘Abbassi, in addition to demolishing an agricultural shed, owned by members of Alqam family. The soldiers also handed Issa Metwer, from Zaim village, a demolition order targeting his residential building of four apartments. ([IMEMC](#) 4 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated a Palestinian-owned mobile home in the northern occupied West Bank village of Furush Beit Dajan east of Nablus in the Jordan Valley. The property belong to local Tariq Abu Oun and was confiscated under the pretext that the construction was placed illegally without receiving the necessary permits for the property. (Wafa, MAANNEWS 4 APRIL 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished an under-construction house in Jabal Al Mukkabir town in occupied East Jerusalem, under the pretext of unlicensing. (Wafa 4 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished a horse stable in Sharafat south of Jerusalem city under the pretext of unlicensing. (Wafa 4 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ordered a Palestinian from Al Suwwana area in Al Khader village south of Bethlehem city to stop the construction of a water well in the village under the pretext of unlicensed building. The well is owned by citizen Lutfi Sbeih. (Wafa 4 April 2017)

## Expansion of settlements

- Israel's ministry of finance announced the success of its marketing plan for the building of 3,607 housing units in the new neighborhood of Modi'in-Maccabim-Re'ut settlement, west of Jerusalem. 70 percent of these planned units were sold at reduced prices to buyers who have no homes and whose names are already registered at the ministry of housing. The other units have been set aside for local buyers and will be sold at market prices. The plan is part of Israel's reduced-price housing program that is aimed at encouraging Jewish couples to live in settlements. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)

### **Erection of Israeli checkpoints**

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) soldiers set up a makeshift checkpoint at dawn on a road north of Halhul town and near Karmi Tzur settlement and embarked on searching passing vehicles for about two hours, with no reported arrests. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)

### **Israeli Closures**

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) blocked the Jenin-Nablus road near Arraba junction, southwest of Jenin city in the West Bank, and interrogated Palestinian citizens. Israeli soldiers aboard four patrol vehicles were stationed at the junction and embarked on intercepting passing vehicles and checking the IDs of Palestinian passengers. Some citizens were detained for a while and exposed to interrogation by soldiers, while several cars were searched selectively. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)