

ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 4 May 2017

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats occupied Palestinian territory, the the in 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 against Palestinian violence 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

• Dozens of Palestinians including two journalists were injured as Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a march in solidarity with hungerstriking Palestinian prisoners in the southern occupied West Bank city of Bethlehem Protesters, demonstrated in solidarity with some 1,600 Palestinian prisoners who have been consuming only a mixture of salt and water for 18 days. Clashes erupted as protesters reached Israel's illegal separation wall. Journalist Safiyyeh Omar was injured with a stun grenade in her leg, while photojournalist Abed Hashlamoun was injured with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the leg. Dozens of protesters suffered from severe tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 4 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired bullets, stun grenades, and tear gas at a Palestinian hospital in the central occupied West Bank city of Ramallah at dawn. The IOA fired live bullets and tear gas inside the Palestinian Medical Complex grounds for more than an hour early in the morning, causing many patients, including children, to suffer from tear gas inhalation. The assault caused panic and fear among children, women, and elderly patients at sections of the center. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation army (IOA) suppressed a peaceful march organized by Palestinian journalists on World Press Freedom Day in front of Ofer prison in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah. The IOA used tear gas to suppress protesters, and detained journalists Ashraf al-Nibali and Amin Alariya during the march, which also stood in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided an industrial workshop near the Hebron-area village of Yatta and seized a lathe that was allegedly being used to manufacture weapons. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- In the Hebron Governorate of the southern West Bank, at least three Palestinians were shot and injured with rubber-coated steel bullets during clashes with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in the al-Arrub refugee camp. One of the injured young men suffered from leg fracture, another was hit in the thigh, and the third was hit in the foot. Clashes broke out after the IOA raided the camp for unknown reasons. The IOA fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas at residents and their homes, resulting in the injury of the three youths, whose identities remained unknown, and the suffocation of several others as a result of the tear gas. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- In Qalqilyia city, located in the northern West Bank, clashes erupted as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the al-Murouj area for the second day in a row, allegedly in search of Palestinians from the area who had previously opened fire at Israeli soldiers. At least four Palestinians suffocated after inhaling tear gas fired by the forces. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Two weeks after the Israeli occupation army (IOA) had destroyed the water system supplying the northern Jordan Valley village of Bardala with drinking and irrigation water, the IOA went back to the village to destroy what was left. During the army operation in the village, residents clashed with the IOA who responded by firing tear gas and

rubber-coated metal bullets causing at least two injuries. The IOA also arrested 'Aziz Sawafta and Mahmoud Sawafta from the village. (WAFA 4 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) seized a Palestinian vehicle belonging to Mustafa Jameel Khatib, a resident of the village of Daher al-Maleh, southwest of Jenin, while he was in the nearby village of Umm al-Rayhan. (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) seized an agricultural tractor and a water tank owned by citizen Ashraf Abu Dahaila in al-Buqai'a area, south of Tubas, as he was on his way to bring water for his livestock. The IOA also poured the water on the ground and prevented the citizen from watering his sheep. (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) escorted by heavy machinery raided Azzun village east of Qalqilyia city, and raided a lethal workshop owned by Muhammad Sofian Adwan and confiscated equipment. The IOA also raided a barbershop owned by Ayoub AUdwan located next to the lethal shop. The operation also included a shop for selling used car parts belonging to Bakr Abu Haniya. The IOA handed Mr. Haniya two notices: the first to review the Israeli occupation, and the second to close the shop and hand over his assets. (WAFA 4 May 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- In the Tulkarem Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians, one of whom from the village of Iktaba. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Two Palestinians were detained from the Nablus Governorate, with the Israeli occupation army citing one detention from the Huwwara village south of Nablus city, and one from the village of Tell, southwest of Nablus. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- In the central West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem, the Israeli occupation army detained one Palestinian from the town of Abu Dis. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians. One detention was identified in the village of Doha near Bethlehem city, and one from the village of Umm Asla. The location of the third detention remained unclear. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from the southern West Bank's Hebron Governorate. Two Palestinians were

detained in the village of Beit Ummar, and one was detained in the village of Surif. (Maannews 4 May 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians in Bardala village, in the northern Jordan Valley. The two were identified as Aziz Sawafta and Mahmoud Sawafta, both of whom were arrested shortly after the IOA stormed Bardala village allegedly in the hunt for unlicensed water networks. (PALINFO 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians, Abdel Hamid Salem and Ahmad Daraghmeh while working in their land in Sahel Al Qa'oun (Al Qa'oun Valley) east of Tubas city under the pretext that they were working in an area classified by Israel as "Closed Militray Area". (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) imposed fines amounting to 7876 shekels, each of which, amounts to NIS 1969, on owners of four agricultural tractors in Kherbit Ibziq east Tubas city in exchange for the return of their tractors that were seized by the IOA at earlier time. (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed al-Samou 'village in the south of Hebron, raided and searched a house belonging to Mohammed' Abdul Qader al-Daghameen. . (WAFA 4 May 2017)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers demolished three buildings in the southern occupied West Bank village of al-Walaja days before a court hearing in which the homeowners hoped to appeal the decision. The IOA raided al-Walajah and demolished a 400-square-meter two-story house belonging to Ibrahim Neiroukh. The IOA also demolished two 150-square-meter houses which were under construction. The two buildings belonged to Hamed and Raed Abu Sneineh. Israeli authorities had previously notified the three owners that their houses would be demolished for lacking hard-to-obtain Israeli construction permits, but had given them an opportunity to appeal the decision in front of an Israeli court on May 7. However, the demolitions came three days before the hearing. The IO bulldozers also demolished the two storey house of Wael Hamida in the village. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities and bulldozers and escorted by large numbers of Israeli border police raided At Tur neighborhood in occupied East Jerusalem and demolished a two-story building under construction, which the owners said they had started working on eight months earlier to create four apartments. The

building's owners, Khalil Abu Sneineh and Rami al-Sayyad hadn't received any notice informing them that the demolition would take place. The owners said that the Israeli Jerusalem municipality had issued a demolition order against the building for being built without a permit, and that the municipality had postponed the demolition until May in order to give them time to file an appeal. However, Abu Sneineh and al-Sayyad had not been able to file an appeal earlier in the week due to two consecutive Israeli holidays, and said that they were taken by surprise by the fact that the demolition occurred within such short notice. (Maannews 4 May 2017)

• The Israeli Jerusalem municipality demolished two commercial structures in the town of Issawiya in occupied East Jerusalem for reportedly being built without licenses. The 120-square-meter structures were owned by the Palestinian citizens Muti' and Mahmoud Abu Reyala. The construction had only recently finished and the family had been finalizing preparations to use the buildings just before the demolitions. (Maannews 4 May 2017)

Other

 Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu says he will withhold \$1 million in payments to the United Nations following a resolution adopted by its cultural agency that he says diminishes Jewish ties to Jerusalem. Netanyahu called the UNESCO resolution "absurd" and said the agency's "systematic harassment" of Israel had a price. Speaking at a Cabinet meeting, Netanyahu says Israel will not sit idly by as a UN organization tries to negate its sovereignty in Jerusalem. (YNETNEWS 4 May 2017)