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### Bethlehem

- In the southern Bethlehem governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians, identified as 22 -year-old Imad Taqatqa and 23-year-old Anas Ibrahim Nabhan. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) bulldozed Palestinian cultivated land in al-Khader town, south of Bethlehem city. Israeli bulldozers leveled cultivated land lots in al-Ghweit Valley, adjacent to the illegal Israeli settlement outpost of Sidi Boaz. The land tracts belong to the Palestinian Sbeih family. One of the land lots covers an area of 15 dunums. The move makes part of Israeli attempts to expand surrounding settlement outposts at the expense of Palestinian lands. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded many homes in Bethlehem city and abducted Ramzi Abu Manna and Mohammad Sabri Zawahra. (IMEMC 3 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)

- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) extended 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)
- A 23-year-old Palestinian was critically injured with live fire during clashes before dawn in the al-Duheisha refugee camp in the southern occupied West Bank Bethlehem Governorate, as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) conducted a detention raid in the camp. The IOA raided several houses in the camp, causing clashes to erupt between Palestinian youth of the camp and the IOA who opened live fire at youth, injuring Akram al-Atrash with three bullets. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) brutally attacked three Palestinians during their arrest. Detainee Ibrahim Abu Daya, 24, was violently attacked and beaten during his arrest and investigation process. Montasser Abdelhamid Za'eig, 24, was also attacked while being arrested and taken in a military jeep, while the detainee Saber Yahya Amour, 23, was violently beaten by Israeli forces during his arrest from his house in Takoa vilage, south of Bethlehem. The three detainees were all arrested on April 2. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided al-Duheisha refugee camp in Bethlehem Governorate and detained four Palestinians, identified by locals as Mutasem Raqban, Ahmad Sarar, Ahmad al-Sarawi, and Akram al-Atrash, who was critically injured with three live bullets after clashes erupted during the raid. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- In the Bethlehem-area village of Nahalin, southwest of Bethlehem city, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Omran Yusif Omran, Ibrahim Waleed Najajra, Adel Mahmoud Ghayatha, and Abd al-Karim Shakarna. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers of the Israeli settlement outpost of Sde Bouaz leveled a Palestinian land in Ein al-Qessis area in al-Khader town south of Bethlehem. The settlers used soil and rocks in order to level the

- Palestinian land. The land leveling aimed at setting up mobile house caravans for settlers in the area. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) ordered a Palestinian citizen to stop the underway construction of a water well in eastern Bethlehem governorate. The Israeli antiquities authority handed over a stop-construction order, targeting a water well, to the Palestinian citizen Mohamed Ali Zawahra in Beit Ta'mar village east of Bethlehem city. The cease-construction notification was issued on account that the area falls under the Israel-run category. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army bulldozers leveled agricultural land in Khallet Al Qoton and Jabal Abu Za'rour in Bethlehem Governorate which resulted in the uprooting of Olive seedlings in the area owned by Abdel Hameed Mezher and Ahmad Abu Srror. The total leveled area is estimated at 100 dunums of land. (Wafa 5 April 2017)
  - Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded Za'tara village, east of Bethlehem, and abducted Ahmad Za'al Sahouri, 23. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
  - Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded the al-Khader town, south of Bethlehem, and abducted Marwan Hussein Issa. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
  - Israeli occupation Army (IOA) abducted a lawyer, identified as Hussein Mahmoud Sheikh, 34, from his home in Marah Rabah village, south of Bethlehem. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
  - In the Bethlehem governorate, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Omar Mislit. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded at dawn As Saff Street area, in the center of the city, and abducted As'ad Mohammad Abu 'Ahour, 16, after breaking into his family's home and violently searching it. (IMEMC 7 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded Hindaza Mountain area, east of Bethlehem, searched homes, and abducted Suleiman Hammad 'Obeyyat, 55. The soldiers also invaded al-Mawaleh Mountain area, in the center of Bethlehem, searched homes and abducted Mohammad Awwad Mousa, 22. (IMEMC 7 April 2017)
  - Several Israeli military jeeps invaded, at dawn, Doha village, west of Bethlehem, in the occupied West Bank, and abducted a Palestinian child. The soldiers invaded the home of Waleed Sabri, violently searched the property while interrogating the family, and abducted his son, Mohammad, 16. The soldiers also drove around the village and

withdrew later, taking the child to the Etzion military base and security center, south of Bethlehem. (IMEMC 9 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian at the al-Jaba military checkpoint in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. The detainee was identified as 20-year-old Mutasem Samer Issa Brighith. Brighith was on his way home to Beit Ummar in the Hebron district from Ramallah, where he attends university. He was detained at the checkpoint and transferred to an unknown location in an Israeli military jeep. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers invaded Ad Deheishe refugee camp, south of the city of Bethlehem, violently searched homes and abducted Mohammad Monjed Lahham, 18. (IMEMC 12 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers also invaded and ransacked homes in Husan village, west of Bethlehem, and abducted Mohammad Za'ouli, 17, and Bashar Sabateen, 15. (IMEMC 12 April 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Ibrahim al-Adel, Stephen Munther Matar, and Anas Ismail Nawawra were detained. (Maannews 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)
- Dozens of protesters, including a journalist, were left wounded after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked a march in Bethlehem calling for the release of dead bodies. Palestinian journalist Islam al-Amarna was injured with the shrapnel of a sound bomb that exploded underneath her feet. The Israeli army patrols targeted the marchers with randomly-unleashed spates of teargas canisters and sound bombs. Dozens of protesters choked on tear gas after the IOA aggressively disbanded the march calling for the release of the bodies of slain anti-occupation youngsters. (PALINFO 14 April 2017)
- Eleven Palestinian families in the occupied West Bank village of Wadi al-Nis, located in the Bethlehem Governorate, have received home demolition orders in recent weeks. Four of the homes that received demolition orders in the past few weeks were inhabited, while seven other buildings were under construction. The families, have been trying to complete the construction of the homes and move in, as they

- believed that it would "protect the houses from demolition."  
(Maannews 16 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation soldiers stationed at the Herodion military base illegally established on land of Beit Ta'mar east of Bethlehem city pumped sewage water into the neighboring agricultural lands which are planted with olive trees in the area of "Ein Al Jdal. The level of pumped wastewater reached to about 30 cm. Land owners had previously filed a case against the Israeli army base , which was established in 2002, to stop the process of pumping wastewater, and the court ordered that the army pump it once every four days, but the Israeli Army did not comply with the court order and continued pumping wastewater deliberately into the lands of Palestinians in the village, depriving a number of farmers from entering their land, and causing the destruction of a large number of olive trees. (PNN 20 April 2017)
  - A 17-year-old girl sustained injuries as she was ran over by an Israeli settler in Tekoua' village, southeast of Bethlehem. The girl sustained light to moderate injuries. (PNN 20 April 2017)
  - In the city of Bethlehem, in the southern West Bank, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a solidarity march by firing tear gas at protesters, who marched from a sit-in tent outside the al-Azza refugee camp -- where dozens had gathered to perform Friday prayers -- towards Israel's illegal separation wall., carrying signs and chanting slogans in support of the hunger-striking prisoners. Several protesters suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned citizen Tareq Musa Ibayyat, 28, from Beit Sahour, for interrogation at the Gush Etzion detention center after raiding his family house and searching it. (Wafa 22 April 2017)
  - 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)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Ismail Jamil Hamamra, 48, in the village of Husan to the west of Bethlehem city. (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)
- Israeli settlers razed privately-owned Palestinian land in the Wadi al-Ghawit area in the western outskirts of al-Khader in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. The Palestinian owner of the land in question, Ibrahim Sbeih, was physically assaulted by the settlers. Israelis from the illegal settlement outpost Sde Boaz leveled 10 dunams (2.5 acres) of agricultural land planted with almond trees and grapevines and owned by Sbeih, who said he had not been officially notified by Israeli authorities that the land was slated for confiscation. The land had been planted with almond trees and grapevines. (Maannews 24 April 2017)
- In the Bethlehem Governorate, Israeli occupation troops raided the town of Beit Fajjar and detained two teenage boys, identified by locals as 17-year-old Khalid Hussein Derayya and 15-year-old Sanad Amjad Taqatqa. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- A 13-year-old boy was also detained in al-Duheisha refugee camp in southern Bethlehem, identified by locals as Muhammad Iyad al-Masri. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers set ablaze some 100 olive trees belonging to Palestinians in the village of Beit Tamir in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. Israeli settlers set the olive trees on fire in a five dunams (1 acre) plot of land, which is located near an Israeli outpost and belongs to Mubarak and Muhammad Zawahreh. (Maannews 26 April 2017)
- Palestinians in the village of Jubbet al-Dhib were notified that an under-construction elementary school under construction in the town was slated for demolition by Israel's Civil Administration, which enforces Israeli policies in the occupied Palestinian territory. (Maannews 26 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authorities have completed the closure of Al Walaja village, southwest of Jerusalem, with an electronic fence. This has led to the isolation of the villagers from their lands. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) are completing the closure Ein Jouizeh neighborhood with an electronic fence. This wall will completely close the village from all sides, affecting the lives of the village residents. The only way to enter and exit the village will be from the settlement of Har Gilo. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian in the Bethlehem-area refugee camp of Aida. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Ahmad Abd al-Rahim Deiriyeh, 28, and Ahmed Majed Diriya from the Beit Fajjar village in southern Bethlehem after raiding and searching their houses. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In the village of Tuqu, located southeast of Bethlehem city in the southern West Bank, clashes erupted in several sites across the village with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opening live fire, rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas bombs onto protesters. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stopped vehicles passing through the Israeli checkpoint at the southern entrance of Bethlehem and checked the IDs of Palestinian passengers. The IOA detained former prisoner Thaer Halahla, 38, after forcing him to exit his vehicle at the checkpoint. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Doha area of Bethlehem city and detained three brothers identified as Moussa, Malek and Hamadeh al-Zghari after raiding and searching their homes. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided al-Saff Street in the city of Bethlehem and detained Naji Abed Hijazi, 43, after raiding and searching his home. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- The Israeli government has declared that 600 new housing units will be added to Beitar Illit settlement, while 113 new housing units were approved in Gilo settlement in occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 29 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities resumed construction of the illegal separation wall in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem after a three-year hiatus. The Israeli authorities had placed a four-meter high barbed wire fence in the Ein Jweiza area northwest of the village of al-Walaja. (Maannews 30 April 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians in the town of Doha south of Bethlehem, one of whom was identified as Muhammad Hasan Ajamiya. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Violent clashes burst out with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Tekou' village, east of Bethlehem after the IOA deployed at a military watchtower established near the western entrance to the village attacked the Palestinians with randomly-unleashed spates of live ammunition and teargas canisters. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

## Jenin

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the house of the prisoner Mahmoud Shraim in Jenin to the north of West Bank, violently searched the house and brutally attacked Shraim's family members. Violently clashes broke out following the raid. (PALINFO 1 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) sentenced the member of the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) Ibrahim Dahbour to an administrative prison-term, with neither charge nor trial. The IOA issued an administrative sentence against Dahbour for an undefined period of time. MP Dahbour was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation forces on March 22 at a makeshift checkpoint set up near Arraba town, southwest of Jenin, in the northern West Bank. The Israeli soldiers also seized his car, before they dragged him to an unknown destination. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- A Palestinian man, identified as Nidal Bahjat Abdul-Hadi, 50, from Jenin refugee camp, in the northern West Bank city of Jenin, was abducted while crossing through al-Karama Border Terminal on his way back home from Jordan. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raked through al-Sila al-Harithiya, al-Yamon, Zabbuba, and Rummana villages in the hunt for the alleged anti-occupation gunmen. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) rolled into Jenin at the crack of dawn and ravaged Palestinian homes and commercial shops in the city's western corners. The IOF further seized surveillance cameras and sealed off the Jenin-Haifa access road with a makeshift checkpoint, where Palestinian vehicles and passengers were subjected to intensive inspection. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- 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

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  - Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Palestinian worker Amer Ziyoud, 28, from Silat al-Harithiya village, west of Jenin city. The worker was rounded up while passing through Bartaa military checkpoint to the south of the village. (PALINFO 5 April 2017).
  - Several military vehicles invaded Qalandia refugee camp, north of Jerusalem, also searched homes, and abducted 'Ayed Abu Ghosh, Salim Abu Ghosh and Salem Abu Ghosh. Salem is the father of Hussein Abu Ghosh, 24, who was killed by Israeli army fire, on January 25<sup>th</sup> 2017. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
  - Israeli soldiers invaded Fahma village, south of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, violently searched homes and abducted three Palestinians, including a local lawyer whose car was illegally confiscated. The three abducted Palestinians were identified as abducted Shafiq Mahmoud Sa'abna, 27, Salam Sa'abna, and lawyer Luay Ahmad Sa'abna, 35. The army caused excessive damage to the searched homes, and confiscated the car of the abducted lawyer, before moving the three Palestinians to an unknown destination. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
  - Dozens of Israeli soldiers invaded Jenin refugee camp, in Jenin city, in the northern part of the occupied West Bank, and abducted Islam Ali 'Azayza, 21. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) summoned two Palestinians from Al Yamun village west of Jenin city for interrogation at Salem Military cite after raiding their houses in the village. The summoned Palestinians were identified as Abdullah Hasan Taher Zayed and Muhamamd Abu Abeid. (Wafa 7 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) summoned Muhammad Omar Murtada, 24, from Burqin village west of Jenin city. (Wafa 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) carried out raids in Jenin Governorate where two Palestinians were rounded up in Sanur town, south of the city. Dozens of Israeli soldiers stormed the village in the early morning and arrested two youngsters after breaking-into their family homes. The arrestees have been identified as Ahmad Nayef 'Ayasa, 25, and Mohammad Khaled 'Ayasa, 23. (PALINFO 10 April 2017)
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- 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)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stopped Palestinian civilians at military checkpoints set up near the main entrance to Qabatiya town, south of Jenin, and subjected them to intensive questioning. (PALINFO 16 April 2016)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOF) stormed different towns and areas south of Jenin Governorate, with no reported arrests. Israeli soldiers aboard seven military vehicles spread through Qabatiya plains and combed the area. An Israeli military force also stormed the towns of Fahmah and Kafr Ra'I in Jenin and clashed with local young men, who hurled stones at them. Soldiers also set up a military checkpoint on the road leading to Ya'bad town, south of Jenin, intercepted Palestinian vehicles and interrogated citizens. (PALINFO 17 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 Occupation Army (IOA) seized \$100,000 in addition to golden jewelry from the home of Khaled Ziyoud in Silat al-Harithiya village, west of Jenin. The IOA stormed Ziyoud home and searched it thoroughly and confiscated 66,000 Jordanian Dinars (around 100,000 US dollars) that he got after reaching a family reconciliation

agreement. Israeli officer who led the incursion threatened him that he would confiscate his house furniture in addition to the car if he refused to give him the money. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the villages of at-Tayba, Rummanah and Zububa, west of Jenin city in the West Bank, interrogated citizens and set up roadblocks. The IOA interrogated citizens and raided homes in at-Tayba villages. The IOA also erected barriers on a road between the villages of at-Tayba and Rummanah, intercepted cars, checked IDs of passengers and questioned some of them. An Israeli military force was also seen combing the open area near the separation wall in Zububa town and another one set up a checkpoint on a road leading to al-Fahmah village in the vicinity of Zahrat al-Fanjan landfill, south of Jenin. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Anin in Jenin Governorate, and carried out wide-scale search in the agricultural areas and homes. No arrests were reported. (Wafa 25 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) physically assaulted a young man from Jenin city as he arrived aboard his vehicle at a makeshift checkpoint north of the city. The IOA set up a checkpoint on al-Zababdeh road, south of Jenin, where they intercepted the car of 20-year-old Ibrahim al-Saadi, ripped its seats during their search for something, and severely beat him. The soldiers did not arrest Saadi and let him go after they wreaked havoc inside his car. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) embarked on bulldozing vast tracts of annexed Palestinian land, south of Jenin city, in order to expand the illegal settlement of Shaked. Israeli bulldozers leveled about 30 dunums of land belonging to Daher al-Maleh village near Ya'bad town, south of Jenin. The annexed lands, which are isolated by the Israeli separation wall, belong to Palestinian citizens from the families of al-Khatib and Zaid al-Kilani. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The 21-year-old Yasser Hanun, from Jenin camp, was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) after he turned himself in to questioning at Salem military site. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The 17-year-old Kasem al-Haj was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) as he passed through a military checkpoint set up near Kadim settlement outpost, east of Jenin Governorate. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians—Abdul Nasser Jaradat, 26, and Kamel Jaradat, 20—were kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from their homes in Zabouba, west of Jenin. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities bulldozed structures and land at the entrance to village of Arraba in the northern West Bank Governorate of Jenin, after four Palestinian families were ordered to leave the area. Muhammad Abu Hantash, owner of a local ceramics store said that Israeli soldiers raided the area and ordered the residents, who also raise livestock there, to leave for alleged security reasons. After razing the area, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) blocked it off with cement blocks to prevent locals from accessing the site. (Maannews 26 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Authorities and Army (IOA) seized 60 tons of woods and demolished a structure in the village of Yabad, southwest of the city of Jenin in the occupied West Bank. The IOA raided an area in Yabad where coal is produced and manufactured, seized 60 tons of wood owned by Rafiq Zaid and Mahmoud Abu Baker and demolished a coal production shop that belongs to Abu Baker. The IOA brought trucks to load the wood, which was taken to an unknown destination, and a bulldozer to demolish the shop. (Wafa 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) sealed off Jenin-Haifa thoroughfare with a makeshift checkpoint, where Palestinian vehicles and civilians have been subjected to intensive inspection. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- In the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Jenin, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Abd al-Nasser Jaradat and Kamil Hussam Jaradat from the village of Zububa, while Yasser Mustafa Hanoun and Qasim al-Hajj were detained from the Jenin refugee camp. Hanoun was detained after responding to a summons from Israeli intelligence forces, while al-Hajj was detained near the illegal settlement of Kaddim close to the city of Jenin. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a 24-year-old youth, a resident of the town of Qabatiya to the south of Jenin, at a flying Israeli military checkpoint erected at Nablus-Ramallah road. (Wafa 29 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed at dawn a number of evacuated outposts south of Jenin to the north of West Bank. A group of settlers accompanied with IOA stormed the evacuated sites for the third consecutive day. Meanwhile, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) had been deployed for long hours on the bypass road east of Jenin. (PALINFO 29 April 2017)
- Tens of Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the evacuated settlement site in Jenin Governorate, namely

Tersalah, near Sanur village south of Jenin city and chanted anti-Palestinian slogans. (Wafa 30 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed Shavei Shomron checkpoint linking between Jenin and Nablus Governorates and carried out a thorough search in the area. (Wafa 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from Jenin refugee camp in the northern occupied West Bank, identified as Munir Ahmad Abed al-Rahman Salama, 21, Muslim Saed Masarwa, 18, and Amid Ibrahim Arsan, 20, after their homes were raided and searched. The raid sparked clashes between locals and Israeli soldiers, and resident of the camp Wiam Hanoun was shot and injured in the foot with a live bullet. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- A Palestinian youth was shot and injured with a live bullet fired by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during clashes that broke out in Jenin refugee camp. The IOA carried out a military raid in the camp and broke into several homes, provoking residents and leading to clashes. The IOA used live ammunition, stun grenades and tear gas canisters against the residents, shooting and injuring a youth, in his early 20s, with a live bullet in the foot. The IOA detained three Palestinians aged 18, 20, and 21 during the raid. (wafa 30 April 2017)

## Jerusalem

- Israeli police detained two Palestinians from occupied East Jerusalem over alleged online incitement. The two youths, ages 20 and 24, were detained separately for individually posting on Facebook “praising the acts of terrorists and supporting the attacks on security forces.” Homes of the two detained Palestinians were searched and the courts had extended their detentions. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Silwan town south of Jerusalem city and took them to one of the detention centers in Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as Ahmad and Muhamamd Zeidani and Sultan Sarhan. (Wafa 2 April 2017)
- 67 Israeli settlers stormed the plazas of holy al-Aqsa Mosque via the Maghareba Gate. Israeli policemen escorted 67 Israelis as they toured the al-Aqsa place of worship during the morning break-in shift. A round of sacrilegious rituals was performed by the Israeli settlers all the way through the break-in. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- The Ma'ale Adumim Economic Development Company published last week a tender for the construction of the new project which will be

- established on an area of about 100 dunums on unorganized lands. These lands, which are located to the east of the industrial area of Mishor Adumim, were claimed to be "state lands". The minimum price of the land as stated in the tender is one million shekels. The company said that the cost of the development projects it will implement in Ma'ale Adumim is 1.2 million shekels. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- Israeli organizations of the alleged Temple of Solomon called on settlers to participate in massive incursions into al-Aqsa Mosque starting. The calls were posted on social media in preparation for the Passover Jewish holiday which starts mid of April. Settlers were urged to attend an event of the so called "Passover sacrifice" next Thursday which is to be held in the Umayyad palaces area adjacent to the southern wall of al-Aqsa Mosque. The announced programs include events in al-Buraq Wall area and others in the Old City of Occupied Jerusalem in addition to massive incursions into al-Aqsa Mosque for performing Talmudic rituals at the Muslims' holy shrine. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
  - Israeli soldiers abducted six Palestinians, including two children, from their homes in several parts of occupied East Jerusalem. It identified the abducted Palestinians as Mohammad Ateyya, Nouredin Mheisin, Ali Bader, Ahmad Zaghal, Sultan Farhan, 12, and Ahmad Zidani, 13. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed al-Issawiya village, in eastern Occupied Jerusalem, and kidnapped the Palestinian boy Mohamed Atiyeh after they wreaked havoc on his family home. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
  - A round of overnight clashes burst out in Shu'fat refugee camp, in Occupied Jerusalem between IOF soldiers and a group of Palestinian anti-occupation youths. During the clashes, the occupation soldiers stormed the home of the Palestinian ex-prisoner Khaled al-Haddad. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Shu'fat refugee camp, in Occupied Jerusalem, and slapped steep fines against Palestinian drivers. An Israeli patrol broke into Shu'fat through a nearby military checkpoint then the soldiers started to fine Palestinian drivers on unjustified grounds. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished a horse stable in Sharafat south of Jerusalem city under the pretext of unlicensing. (WAFSA 4 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished an under-construction house in Jabal Al Mukkabit town in occupied East Jerusalem, under the pretext of unlicensing. (WAFSA 4 April 2017)

- 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)
- Israeli soldiers invaded homes in Silwan town, south of Jerusalem city and abducted a young man, identified as Khaled az-Zeer, before moving him to an interrogation center. (IMEMC 5 April 2017).
- A Jerusalem family from Beit Hanina town, north of occupied East Jerusalem, demolished its own home, to avoid excessively high penalties and fines, imposed by the City Council, in addition to the extremely expensive bills it would pay, if the city demolished their property. The house was built fifteen years ago, and the property has been providing shelter to several persons. The family has no other option but to demolish its own home, because the bills the Council would send after demolishing the home would be as high as 250.000 Israeli Shekels. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
- Fayeze Abdul-Latif Ja’abees and his brother Suleiman had to demolish their homes, also to avoid the high fines and fees, after the City Council denied all appeals. The two homes were built three years ago, each of 150 square/meters, and housed sixteen Palestinians, including twelve children. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
- The Jerusalem municipality and the Jerusalem Development Authority want to build a suspension bridge over the Ben-Hinnom Valley, between the neighborhood of Abu Tor and Mount Zion. The plan was presented Monday for discussion in the local building and planning

committee. However, in light of opposition by City Councilwoman Laura Wharton (Meretz), the committee's legal adviser instructed the discussion to be taken off the agenda because it had been submitted at the last minute and lacked information. The bridge, set to be 197 meters long, or about 650 feet, and 30 meters off the ground, is planned mainly for use by tourists. Most of it will be situated in the former no-man's land that separated Israel and Jordan before the Six-Day War. "City officials are once again making a grab in the planning committee and pouring more public money into a project that will infuriate the international community. It's a pity, because there is a great deal of serious work to do in Jerusalem and there is no reason to invest in turning the city into an amusement park," Wharton said. Wharton added: "The Jerusalem Development Authority has already wasted much time and resources in this bizarre plan, thanks to the fact that Nir Barkat is still the city's mayor on paper and at the same time, has been serving as [the authority's] temporary chairman for the past three years. If Barkat keeps this up, he can at least give up the huge PR budgets and rely on the state comptroller to give him prominence." The municipality said in response: "No political argument was raised in the meeting, because the area in question has been within the State of Israel since its founding. This is not a grab by anyone and the request [for discussion of the plan] was placed on the agenda because the committee is going on Passover recess." The city added: The committee members asked for more time to examine the request, which was submitted a short time before the meeting, and so they asked to bring it to the next meeting. The legal adviser saw the request as reasonable and therefore recommended that discussion be postponed. In light of this, the committee chairman decided to postpone the discussion. The bridge is part of the previous Jerusalem development plan and the municipality will continue to promote other plans in the area." During the 19 years in which the city was divided, most of the area stretching from Jaffa Gate through the Ben-Hinnom Valley was completely abandoned and neglected, strewn with destroyed and crumbling buildings. ([Haaretz](#) 5 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities banned at least five Palestinians from entering Al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem for periods between 30 days and six months. Israeli intelligence detained and summoned several Palestinians from Jerusalem and issued orders banning them from entering Al-Aqsa Mosque, including two Islamic Endowment (Waqf) employees working at the holy site. Israeli intelligence delivered the orders to the Head of the Information department Tareq Marwan al-Hashlamun and Al-Aqsa guard Hamzeh

Nimr, banning both from the holy site for six months. The Israeli occupation Authorities also detained Jamil al-Abbasi as he was leaving the mosque, transferred him for interrogation at al-Qishla police station, and gave him an order banning him from Al-Aqsa for four months. Several others were delivered orders banning them from Al-Aqsa for 30 days. Abu Asab was also summoned for interrogation. (Maannews 6 April 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Khalid al-Zir after raiding his house in Silwan, and released him later after giving him an order banning him from al-Aqsa for 30 days and imposing a 2,000 shekel (\$547) fine. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- Two Palestinian young men were kidnapped by an Israeli undercover unit from Jerusalem's town of al-Issawiya. The Israeli undercover unit kidnapped the two Palestinian youngsters Dhiaa Ubeid and Namer Mahmoud. Both detainees were transferred to Israeli detention centers in Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Mount of Olives Hotel in At Tur area in occupied East Jerusalem and arrested a Palestinian from Gaza who has been living in the Hotel for almost a month and undergoing medical treatment. (SAFA 6 April 2017)
- 49 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem city via Bab Al Magharbeh (Al Mughrabi Gate) escorted by the Israeli occupation Police, carried out provocative actions and chanted Talmudic rituals. (WAFA 6 April 2017)
- The Israeli municipality of Jerusalem issued an evacuation order for three housing apartments in the Wadi Hilweh area of the occupied East Jerusalem neighborhood of Silwan owing to fractures and cracks formed at the base of the houses, as Israeli authorities continue work on a tunnel network expected to be used to provide services to Israeli settlers. The houses belong to Hamed Oweida, Abed Oweida, and Suleiman Oweida. Sixteen family members, including ten children, reside in the houses. Oweida family said that the Israeli tunnel-digging under their homes has increased over the past three days, adding that loud noises from the digging emanate for several hours, while the family could feel their houses shaking during the construction. The digging has caused severe damage of fractures and cracks in the walls and the bases of the houses. the Israeli authorities are creating a tunnel network for Israeli settlers, being constructed directly under the Oweida family's house. the Israeli authorities began work under the neighborhood in 2007. (Maannews 6 April 2017)

- A bid was put forth by Israel’s Western Wall Heritage Foundation to establish the infrastructure of the so-called Haliba Judaization project in Occupied Jerusalem. The bid suggests to construction of a two-story building covering up to 4,000 meters and comprising exhibition halls and a guest room. The projected bid will be built in an area located just dozens of meters away from the southern wall of holy al-Aqsa Mosque. The Beit Haliba project falls in with Israel’s western wall plan, in reference to a scheme targeting the historic Buraq Wall. Beit Haliba plan was advanced by the fanatic Israeli rabbi Shmuel Rabinowitz who pushed for transforming the Buraq Square into a space for holding Jewish parties. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
- The Israeli Knesset approved [Amendment 109 of the Planning and Building Law](#) by a margin of 44 to 33. The Law is expected to bring reforms in enforcement against the widespread phenomenon of illegal building. Prime Minister Netanyahu said that the Law will lead to a historic level of equality. “The government which I head has invested, and continues to invest more than any other [previous] government in the Arab sector in order to close the existing gaps - in education, wages, culture, as well as health.” Israeli Arabs want to be a part of the State of Israel, they want to be a part of the prosperity of Israel’s economy, they want to be a part of the future of the State of Israel, of all the citizens of Israel, and therefore we are investing like no government before us has done. We want the integration of the Arab public into the State of Israel, but that also means integrating with the laws of the State of Israel.” “We are making a historic 'repair' today that enables equal enforcement of building laws. We are doing this not only with respect to the Arab sector, but are increasing enforcement in all parts of the land and for all citizens of the country,” he asserted. “One state, one law, one enforcement. This is what we did today, and I thank you for the passage of this important law,” the Prime Minister concluded. The Regavim organization, which deals with land ownership issues and works to fight illegal building in Israel, said in response that “this is one of the most important laws passed by the Knesset in recent years. It is likely to bring about a revolution in the struggle of enforcement authorities against illegal building, which has been a ‘state plague’ for decades.” “We hope that law enforcement authorities will utilize the tools granted them by the Knesset today, actively and wisely, strengthening the sovereignty of the State of Israel over all its land - especially in the Negev and Galilee,” the organization said. ([INN](#) 6 April 2017)
- A group of Palestinian worshipers performed Friday prayers at the Lion’s Gate outside the walls to the Old City in occupied East

Jerusalem, in protest of the Israeli ban against them, preventing them from entering the Al-Aqsa mosque for prayers for time periods ranging between one to six months, for various reasons. Israeli forces deployed in the area during the prayer and detained two youths identified as Hamza Milhis and Muhammad al-Shalabi for allegedly being banned from approaching the gates of Al-Aqsa. (Maannews 7 April 2017)

- An Israeli court sentenced two Palestinian children from Occupied Jerusalem to house arrest and steep fines. 14-year-old Yazen Faroukh and 12-year-old Youssef Hijazi, from Jerusalem's town of Silwan, were sentenced to house confinement and ordered to pay 2,000 shekels each to be released from Israeli custody. Both minors were arrested by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and subjected to intensive interrogation in an Israeli detention center in Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 7 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation police assaulted worshipers participating in the march of the Palm Sunday near Al Asbat Gate in occupied east Jerusalem, and arrested a number of them. The Israeli occupation police attacked worshipers who carried flags of the State of Palestine on their way to the Church of St. Hanna in the occupied city. Police also confiscated and desecrated Palestinian flags. (WAFSA 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained at least 30 Palestinians during raids in occupied East Jerusalem and banned them from the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound, while three Palestinians from northern Israel were also banned from the holy site over a Facebook post related to Passover, amid a security crackdown imposed by Israel leading up to the Jewish holiday. The majority of the 30 Jerusalemites were later released, after Israeli authorities banned them from entering the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in Jerusalem's Old City for at least 15 days, while some were banned for periods between three to six months. The detention raids were launched in the Old City and the neighboring areas of Silwan, al-Tur, and Wadi Joz in occupied East Jerusalem. The Palestinians were first verbally notified of the bans, and were later ordered to appear at Israeli police stations for interrogation. Five of the detainees, all from al-Tur, were identified as 16-year-old Farid Iyad Abu al-Hawa, 14-year-old Muhammad Samir Abu al-Hawa, 18-year-old Muhammad Khalil Sbeitan, 19-year-old Ahmad Muhammad Ashayer, and 24-year-old Bahaa Taysir Abu Jumaa. Qaws identified 22 other detainees as Muhammad al-Rakin, Muhammad Ashour, Yousif Abu Shusha, Muhammad Abu Farha, Khalid Milhis, Ahmad al-Julani, Ahmad al-Shawish, Mahmmoud al-Shawish, Yousif al-Shawish, Ahmad al-Rakin, Uday Sunokrut, Ahmad al-Hashlamoun, Ibrahim al-

Natsheh, Jihad Qaws, Muhammad Shawqi Sanduqa, Thaer Zghir, Raghieb Abu Sneineh, Khader al-Ajlouni, Muhammad al-Zin, Omar Zaanin, Omar Salama, and Muhammad al-Hashlamoun -- all of whom were released after they were interrogated and issued bans. (Maannews 9 April 2017)

- Israeli police detained at least 18 Palestinians during wide-scale raids in occupied East Jerusalem. The Israeli police raided Palestinians' homes in several areas of Jerusalem, especially in the Old City, and detained 18 of them. The police also handed notices to others to appear for interrogation before the Israeli intelligence. The raids came following Israel's decision to ban Palestinians from the occupied West Bank from entering Jerusalem during the Jewish holiday "Passover," which is celebrated until April 17<sup>th</sup>. (WAFA 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Two Palestinian citizens in Jerusalem identified as Rami al-Fakhouri and Mohamed al-Daqaq. Noth Palestinians received summonses for interrogation from the Shin Bet. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli police decided to close occupied Jerusalem from April 9 until 17 of the same month for West Bank citizens on the occasion of the Hebrew Passover (Pesach) festival. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- 84 Israeli settlers, escorted by police officers, stormed holy al-Aqsa Mosque via the Maghareba Gate as part of the morning break-in shift that concluded at 10:30 a.m. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- A number of new settlement projects and schemes in East Jerusalem that fall in line with an Israeli fierce campaign aimed at displacing Palestinians and seizing their lands in the holy city. About 3,000 new settlement units are either under planning, construction or marketing in Jerusalem. The Aharon Company managed to sell 41 settlement units of a new settlement project in Pisgat Ze'ev settlement and now started marketing the second phase of the project which includes 3 buildings consisting of 65 settlement units. The settlement units are expected to be complete by December 2018. Euro-Israel company started marketing a new project in Pisgat Ze'ev settlement which includes 122 settlement units distributed in four 11-storey buildings. The company had marketed 24 settlement units at the end of 2016. Tserfata Shimon company started selling 94% of the settlement units of the new project implemented in Har Homa settlement which is built in Jabal Abu Ghuneim neighborhood. The project includes three buildings, each of which consists of 9 floors and has a car park, with 142 settlement units. A new project consisting of 122 settlement units is

being constructed in Har Homa by Euro-Gold company. The Israeli company of Dona announced marketing a new settlement project that has 113 settlement units in Gilo settlement to the tune of about 240 million shekels. The Project includes five 10-storey buildings. Aharon company started marketing a new project in the same settlement where four buildings, each with 22 settlement units, will be built. The total number of the settlement units in the project reaches 88. The Israeli Botti Hatikhoun company announced that 30 units of a new settlement project established in Arnona settlement neighborhood are still uninhabited. The project includes a number of 12-storey and 10-storey buildings. The Israeli Ministry of Interior has recently approved transferring about 250 dunums of Mateh Yehuda and Ramat Rachel to an area owned by the Jerusalem Municipality where another settlement neighborhood with 2,000 settlement units is going to be established. In the future, the new two neighborhoods will be linked and a new road will be built stretching from the two neighborhoods to al-Khalil street and Ramat Rachel outpost. Hasidi Brothers company completed the construction of the second tower of its new project in Arnona which is considered the highest residential project in Jerusalem. It includes two 24-storey towers consisting of 194 settlement units. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Shufat refugee camp in the occupied East Jerusalem and detained a Palestinian . (PALINFO 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) closed the only entrance/exit of Beit Iksa village northwest of Jerusalem city and limited entry and exit to and from the village to village's inhabitants. (WAFSA 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed holy al-Aqsa Mosque via the Maghareba Gate and cracked down on the Muslim sit-inners. The IOA intensified their presence at al-Aqsa gates and cracked down on the Muslim worshipers who headed to the Mosque to perform dawn prayers. The occupation soldiers also seized the IDs of Muslim young men at the Mosque. The crackdown falls in with the first day of the Jewish Passover holiday. The Israeli troops turned the Old City of Occupied Jerusalem into a military barrack, sparking tension across the area. At the same time, calls have been launched by Israel's Temple Mount organizations for mass break-ins into al-Aqsa on Tuesday to celebrate the seven-day Passover. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
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  - The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) issued a renewed six-month administrative sentence, with neither charge nor trial, against prisoner Mazen Jamal al-Natsha for the third consecutive time. Prisoner al-Natsha was arrested by the Israeli forces on April 18, 2016. Since 1997, he had served several administrative terms, amounting to a total of 13 years, in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)
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  - More than 30 Israeli settlers had entered the compound from the Moroccan gate during Passover celebrations. The settlers toured the compound under Israeli military protection. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) entered the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in occupied East Jerusalem to inspect the premises after detaining a Palestinian man following evening prayers. The IOA detained a young Palestinian man as he left the compound following evening prayers. Israeli forces raided the compound several hours

later. The IOA claimed that they were searching for a bag belonging to the Palestinian man who was detained earlier, which they said was hidden in the compound. The IOA inspected storehouses and surrounding gardens but did not find anything. (Maannews 12 April 2017)

- Israeli border police detained a Palestinian youth from the Sur Bahir village in southeastern occupied East Jerusalem after allegedly finding a weapon in his vehicle. The detainee was transferred to Israeli intelligence to undergo interrogations. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities banned Citizen Amjad Abu Asab from occupied East Jerusalem for 30 days. Abu Asab was released from the Israeli prison in March after serving three and a half years. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers detained four Palestinians, from their homes, in various parts of the Old City of occupied East Jerusalem. The detainees were identified as Sbeih Abu Sbeih, Mohammad Zghayyar, Jihad Qous and Rawhi Kolghassi. The Palestinians were taken prisoner after the soldiers invaded and ransacked their homes, and interrogated them and some of their family members. They were all cuffed and blindfolded, before the soldiers moved them to detention and interrogation centers in the city. (IMEMC 12 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers, guided by two leaders, stormed the plazas of holy al-Aqsa Mosque. 162 Israeli settlers led by former MK Moshe Feiglin and the founder of the secret Jewish movement Hai Vekayam, broke into the site via the Maghareba Gate. At around 7:30 a.m. Israeli policemen intensified presence at and around al-Aqsa Mosque, paving the way for the break-in. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) have cracked down on the Muslim worshipers and youth at al-Aqsa for the third consecutive day, denying them access to the site to perform their prayers. The break-ins were carried out following calls launched by Israel's Temple Mount organizations to desecrate al-Aqsa on the occasion of the seven-day Jewish Passover holiday. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers wrote racist graffiti, including the largely-used "Death To Arabs," on a wall of a Palestinian neighborhood, in occupied East Jerusalem. The racist graffiti was written in the Baq'a Palestinian neighborhood, and were uncovered by locals who called the Police. Besides "Death To Arabs," among the racist graffiti was "Arabs Go Home," "Revenge," "Kahane Was Right," and "We Will Not Be Silent." (IMEMC 12 April 2017)

- 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)
- 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)
- 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)
- 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)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOF) arrested four Palestinian youths during clashes that erupted at the gates of al-Aqsa Mosque when Palestinian citizens confronted Jewish settlers who stormed the holy shrine to mark the Jewish Passover. The settlers chanted anti-Palestinian racist slogans and attacked worshipers who confronted them amid a state of tension in the holy Islamic shrine. The IOA protected settlers who

carried out provocative celebrations while thousands of Palestinians were going out of al-Aqsa Mosque after Friday prayer. Loud annoying music was heard from al-Buraq Wall made by settlers who were celebrating the Passover. (PALINFO 14 April 2017)

- Hundreds of right-wing Israelis entered the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound amid ongoing restrictions on Palestinian freedom of worship and movement in occupied East Jerusalem on the sixth day of the Jewish holiday of Passover. 517 Israelis entered the compound during the designated visitation periods in the morning and the afternoon, a number of whom performed Jewish religious rituals in contravention of agreements regarding the Al-Aqsa compound under the protection of heavily deployed Israeli forces. Meanwhile, Israeli occupation Authorities imposed strict restrictions on Muslims' access to the Al-Aqsa compound. Some Muslim worshipers were allowed to enter after Israeli police officers seized their identity cards at police posts outside the compound, while others were denied entry. (Maannews 16 April 2017)
- 11 Palestinians were injured with rubber coated bullets and 23 others suffered Gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Abu Dis and Al Ezariya towns southeast of Jerusalem city. (WAFA 17 April 2017)
- Islamic Endowment Department in Occupied Jerusalem revealed that over 1,200 settlers stormed al-Aqsa Mosque during the Passover Jewish holiday which lasted from April 11 to 17. The department reported that dozens of attempts to perform Talmudic rituals and Jewish prayers at al-Aqsa holy shrine were recorded. Al-Aqsa Mosque witnessed heightened tensions due to settlers' repeated incursions, it pointed out. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) restricted Palestinians access to al-Aqsa Mosque on the Passover days and deployed intensive reinforcements in the Old City of Occupied Jerusalem. Military checkpoints were also erected at al-Aqsa gates. (PALINFO 17 April 2017)
- 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)
- 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)

- 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)
- 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)
- Two Palestinians—Khalil Dandan and Maher Afana—were kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from Jerusalem's town of Abu Dis while Tawfiq Afana was kidnapped from al-Maliha village. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the occupied East Jerusalem town of Issawiya and destroyed iron gates leading to Palestinian commercial properties and farms, while delivering demolition and evacuation notices for a number of structures. Dozens of Israeli soldiers, escorted by bulldozers and municipality crews, raided the eastern area of the town before destroying the gates. Five gates, leading to a car wash and four Palestinian farms, were destroyed and confiscated. The gates belonged to the Abu Riyaleh, Dari, Mustafa, Dkeik, and Abu Snineh families. Families were not given any prior notice that Israeli forces would be targeting their properties. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- Four evacuation and demolition notices were placed on four structures -- a car shop, car wash, and near Palestinian farms in Al Issawiya tow in occupied East Jerusalem. (Maannews 19 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) destroyed a Palestinian farm in al-Issawiya town, in Occupied Jerusalem. Israeli bulldozers, escorted by military vehicles, rolled into the area and demolished a ranch belonging to the Palestinian farmer Murad Ziad Mustafa. The demolition was reportedly carried out under the pretext of unlicensed construction. Prior to the demolition, a tough cordon was imposed by the Israeli police around the area. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) approved the construction of 212 new settlement units in Pisgat Ze'ev and Ramat Shlomo settlements illegally built in occupied Jerusalem. Israeli radio said that the approved housing units are a part of a large settlement plan to be implemented during the new US administration era. Last month, the Israeli cabinet approved the establishment of a new West Bank settlement for settlers evicted from Amona, an outpost razed after the High Court of Justice ruled it had been built illegally on private Palestinian land. On Dec. 23, 2016, the UN Security Council voted in favor of a resolution demanding the halt of settlement activity by Israel in occupied Palestinian territory with the United States notably abstaining. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers and Antiquity Authority staff members, escorted by police troops, stormed al-Aqsa Mosque—the third holiest site in Islam. Israeli policemen unlocked the Maghareba Gate at 07:30, paving the way for the morning break-in shift, and closed it at 11:00 a.m. 39 Israeli settlers and four members of the Israeli Antiquity Authority defiled the site. The Israeli police also seized the IDs of the Muslim worshipers while they allowed 533 non-Muslim visitors to defile the Mosque. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- At least one Palestinian was injured and another was detained by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during events in the Jerusalem area in support of hunger-striking prisoners. A march set off from the center of the village of Abu Dis in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem in solidarity with some 1,500 Palestinians currently forgoing food for the fourth day in a row to denounce incarceration conditions in Israeli custody. As the march approached the illegal Israeli separation wall -- which cuts off occupied East Jerusalem from the rest of the West Bank -- near al-Quds University, Israeli soldiers fired tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at the protesters, injuring a Palestinian youth in the face with a rubber-coated steel bullet, while at least 11 people suffered from excessive tear gas inhalation during the clashes. The IOA interrupted the sit-in, taking pictures of the protesters

before detaining Nour al-Shalabi for allegedly shouting “inciting” slogans. (Maannews 20 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) dismantled a tent in support of the mass hunger strike in the Issawiya neighborhood of East Jerusalem, firing sound bombs at demonstrators. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a number of Palestinian houses in Ash Sheikh Sa’ed village southeast of Jerusalem city, among which, the house of Martyr Suhaib Mashahra, was raided. The IOA also confiscated a number of Palestinian cars in the village. (Wafa 20 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers renewed their incursions to Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem city via Bab Al Magharbah (Al Mughrabi Gate) escorted by the Israeli Occupation Police. The settlers carried out provocative tours in the courtyards of Al Aqsa Mosque. (Wafa 20 April 2017)
- The Jerusalem Municipality bulldozers started bulldozing the lands between Ramot and Ramat Shlomo settlements, north of Occupied Jerusalem, in the villages of Shuafat, Lifta, Beit Hanina and Beit Iksa in a prelude for the establishment of a sport stadium, platforms, playgrounds, parking lots and squares for the Jewish Olympic Games, Maccabiah. Tenders were announced before the Jewish holidays during the past two weeks in preparation for these games which will be launched on the 50th anniversary of the occupation of Jerusalem from 1st June to the end of July 2017. The Jerusalem Municipality announced tenders specially for the Maccabiah Games to bulldoze the Palestinian lands located between street No. 443 and Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road and assigned them to 16 companies including Arab ones. The Maccabiah projects are closely linked to other settlement projects on the lands of Shuafat, Lifta, Beit Hanina and Beit Iksa including building 750 settlement units close to the highway in addition to expanding Ramat Shlomo settlement with 1,400 settlement units on the lands of Shuafat. ([PALINFO](#) 20 April 2017)
- Several Palestinians who had been banned from entering the Al-Aqsa Mosque performed Friday prayers for the third week in a row outside the Lion's Gate, in protest of being banned from the holy site. The worshipers also expressed solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a 22-year-old Palestinian woman from occupied East Jerusalem for alleged “incitement” on her personal Facebook page. The woman would be presented to an Israeli

court on Thursday to extend her detention following her interrogation. (Maanews 21 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) fired at a disabled Palestinian young woman though she posed no threat to them. The shooting attack targeted the disabled Palestinian girl Manar Mujahed, aged 30, that left her paralyzed. The IOA opened fire at mentally-disabled Manar, from Occupied Jerusalem, on February 27, 2017, leaving her bleeding and crying for help as she rushed to her father to save her. The Israeli soldiers handcuffed the bleeding girl with iron chains at the hospital, where they found out that she was mentally disabled. Manar went back home on a wheelchair, after her health condition had taken a turn for the worse. She has become physically disabled and cannot stand on her feet as a result of the bullets that penetrated her thigh and hip. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided two schools east of Jerusalem and attacked their students. The IOA stormed in the morning Jawaharlal Nehru High School and Abu Dis Elementary School in Abu Dis town, east of Jerusalem, amid intensive gunfire and fired live ammunition at a student and injured him, and arrested another during the raids on schools. Several students and teachers also suffered from inhaling tear gas during the raids. The soldiers forced all students and teachers to evacuate the schools and prevented crews from the Palestinian military liaison office, the civil defense and the Abu Dis municipal council as well as relatives of students from going in. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Mahmoud and Muhammad Atiya after raiding their homes in Al Isawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem. (Wafa 21 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)
- 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)

- Staff of the Israeli West Jerusalem municipality delivered two demolition notices for two Palestinian houses in the East Jerusalem town of Silwan, citing unpermitted construction as a pretext. The Israeli municipality staff, backed by Israeli police, hung paper notices for the demolition of two houses in Silwan, which they stressed, comes as part of a new demolition campaign against Palestinian structures and homes in the said town. (Wafa 23 April 2017)
- An Israeli settler ran over two Palestinian children in Sur Baher town in occupied East Jerusalem. The two children were identified as Muhammad Attoun and his sister Nada and sustained moderate injury. (Wafa 24 April 2017)
- Israeli municipality crews stormed Palestinian commercial shops in Wadi al-Jouz, in Occupied Jerusalem, and imposed heavy taxes on the shopkeepers. Israeli soldiers and cops escorted municipal crews as they broke into Palestinian shops in Wadi al-Jouz and ordered the traders to pay steep taxes. Tension flared up as Palestinian civilians passing through the area have been subjected to abrupt searches by the Israeli cops. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The Jerusalem Municipality deposited for public review a special plan (no. 470484) for the confiscation of 1,300 square meters in the Jewish cemetery in the Mount of Olives, adjacent to the Ras El-Amud mosque. The plan, initiated by the Jerusalem Development Authority (JDA), is meant to allow the confiscation of parcel no. 10 in bloc no. 29991 for public use, in order to allow the construction of a visitor center. The area of the plan is a highly sensitive one, located at the heart of the historical basin of Jerusalem, 300 meters from the Old City and the Temple Mount/Al-Haram A-Sharif, and next to the mosque of the Ras El-Amud neighborhood. ([PEACENOW](#) 25 April 2017)
- A peaceful march in front of Qalandiya refugee camp, staged in solidarity with some [1,500 Palestinian prisoners who have been on hunger strike](#) for more than a week, escalated into clashes with Israeli soldiers firing tear gas canisters and rubber-coated steel bullets at dozens of Palestinians. Four Palestinians were shot and injured with rubber-coated steel bullets while dozens suffered from tear-gas inhalation fired by Israeli soldiers stationed near the Qalandiya

military checkpoint north of Jerusalem in the central occupied West Bank. (Maannews 26 April 2017)

- The Israeli District Court in Jerusalem sentenced 17-year-old Malak Salman, from Beit Safafa in occupied East Jerusalem, to 10 years in prison. (Wafa 26 April 2017)
- Jerusalem City Hall has published plans to expropriate land in the Palestinian neighborhood of Ras al-Amud for a new visitor and information center to serve the adjacent Jewish cemetery on the Mount of Olives. Even though construction plans have yet to be published, work has apparently already begun on the project. At this point, it is unclear who owns the land to be expropriated, which is near a neighborhood mosque and not far from the Temple Mount in the Old City. The plans for the visitor center were developed by the Jerusalem Development Authority in conjunction with the municipality. Groups and individual visitors would be able to congregate at the facility and be advised on the location of graves of family members and famous religious figures. The plans provide for an assembly hall, shop and information office, as well as a path that would lead from the center through the cemetery itself. There is already a similar information facility in the area, run by the right-wing Ir David Foundation (also known as Elad). Establishing a tourist site in the heart of the historic basin of Jerusalem, adjacent to a mosque, opposite the Temple Mount, means building a kind of settlement. City hall said the land is adjacent to a mosque and currently serves as a parking lot. In practice, however, work on the visitor center appears to have begun, even before the plan was published for objections. ([Haaretz](#) 26 April 2017)
- Israel's Housing Ministry is bringing back plans for a new neighborhood in Jerusalem that falls outside of the 1967 borders and inside the West Bank. The neighborhood is planned for the site of the now defunct Atarot Airport, north of Jerusalem, and is supposed to provide housing for ultra-Orthodox Israelis. The 10,000-home plan was drawn years ago by the Jerusalem municipality, but had been frozen due to the strong opposition of the previous U.S. administration to Israeli construction in East Jerusalem. But after Donald Trump's inauguration, Israel started advancing the plan again, and is set to make it public on Jerusalem Day in May, according to a Channel 10 report. Atarot Airport, the planned site of the new neighborhood, was abandoned at the beginning of the second intifada some 15 years ago for fear that the Palestinians would shoot at planes taking off there. The airport is located next to the separation barrier, not far from the Qalandiyah checkpoint. The plan also spans areas west of the airport, outside the municipal area of Jerusalem in the West

Bank, in lands that are nevertheless under Jewish ownership. Though the neighborhood is earmarked for the ultra-Orthodox public, but heads of the haredi community have recently expressed their opposition to the neighborhood's location, citing its distance from the city center and proximity to Palestinian neighborhoods and the separation barrier. ([Haaretz](#) 26 April 2017)

- Israeli police offered protection for 83 Jewish settlers who stormed the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque from al-Magharebah gate in the morning and evening incursion periods. 67 settlers broke into the courtyards of the Muslims' holy shrine in the morning, while 16 others desecrated the holy site in the evening. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation kidnapped the young man Ibrahim Abdullah Badr from Occupied Jerusalem shortly after they broke into Abu Dis village, closed off the family's blacksmith shop, and seized all of its equipment on claims that it is used to manufacture weapons. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- In the central West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a local Palestinian in the village of Qatanna. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- At the Qalandiya checkpoint, which connects Ramallah with occupied East Jerusalem, Israeli forces suppressed a solidarity march with live fire and rubber-coated steel bullets leaving four injured with live fire shrapnel and two injured with rubber-coated steel bullets. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) also fired tear-gas bombs and stun grenades at youths as IOA closed the checkpoint and prevented all pedestrians and vehicles from passing. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Clashes erupted in the occupied East Jerusalem-area town of al-Issawiya after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) forces took down a sit-in tent set up in solidarity with [hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners](#). The IOA raided the village from several entryways before raiding the sit-in tent, shortly after it had been set up. The IOA then destroyed and confiscated the tent. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In Shu'fat refugee camp, clashes erupted at a military checkpoint at the entrance of the camp following a solidarity march with hunger-striking prisoners, who had entered their 11th day of strike. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the town of Silwan, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Ein Hilweh neighborhood and randomly fired stun grenades and rubber-coated steel bullets. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israel intends to build 15,000 new homes in eastern Jerusalem, the Housing Ministry said despite US President Donald Trump's

upcoming [visit to Israel](#) as part of a new push for [Israeli-Palestinian peace](#). Israel views all of Jerusalem as its "eternal and indivisible capital," but the Palestinians also want a capital there. Housing Minister Yoav Galant told Israel Radio that his ministry and the Jerusalem Municipality had been working on the plan for two years, with proposals for 25,000 units, 15,000 of which would be in east Jerusalem. "We will build 10,000 units in Jerusalem and some 15,000 within the municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. It will happen," he said. Saeb Erekat, the Palestinians' chief negotiator, said Israel's move was a systematic violation of international law and a "deliberate sabotage" of efforts to resume talks. "All settlements in occupied Palestine are illegal under international law," he said in a statement. "Palestine will continue to resort to international bodies to hold Israel, the occupation power, accountable for its grave violations of international law throughout occupied Palestine." Channel 2 news said an announcement on building could be made on "Jerusalem Day" which this year, according to the Hebrew calendar, falls on May 24. This year marks the 50th anniversary since Israel reunified the city during the Six-Day War, with a large number of celebrations planned. Trump's visit is expected to take place on, or shortly after, May 22. Speaking in an interview with Reuters, Trump said "I want to see peace with Israel and the Palestinians. There is no reason there's not peace between Israel and the Palestinians—none whatsoever." The US leader met Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in Washington in February and is to see Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas at the White House on May 3. In January, two days after Trump took office, Netanyahu said he was lifting restrictions on [settlement construction](#) in east Jerusalem, just as the city's municipality approved building permits for hundreds of new homes. During Barack Obama's presidency, Netanyahu's government came under repeated censure for construction in the West Bank and eastern Jerusalem, despite the fact that Israel long since declared sovereignty over it. Under Trump, Netanyahu expected more of a green light to ramp up settlement building, but it hasn't been straightforward. While Trump has said he does not think settlements are necessarily an obstacle to peace, he did directly ask Netanyahu during a White House press conference in February to "hold back on settlements for a little bit." In 2010, Israel announced its intent to build homes in east Jerusalem during a visit by then-Vice President [Joe Biden](#), who condemned the plan. It caused huge embarrassment to Netanyahu, who suspended the plan before reintroducing it in 2013. The east Jerusalem neighborhoods where building is planned are Givat Hamatos, East Talpiot, Ramot, Pisgat

Zeev, Neve Yaakov, Ramot Shlomo, Gilo and Atarot. These areas extend in an arc from north to south around the eastern side of Jerusalem, forming something of a buffer with the West Bank. ([YNETNEWS](#) 28 April 2017)

- The Israeli magistrate court in Jerusalem extended the detention of a Palestinian teen, who was detained in an ambulance after being injured by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) with live ammunition, until next Sunday. The IOA had detained Musaab Muheisen, 14, While he was inside an ambulance after being injured by the IOA during clashes in the occupied East Jerusalem town of Al Issawiya. (Maanews 29 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Issawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem and detained 17 Palestinians, 10 of them were under 18 years old. The detainees were identified as Abu al-Hummus identified the detainees as Adam Kayed Muhmoud, Shadi Muhammad Atiya, Muhammad Abd al-Raouf Mahmoud, Abd al-Qader Muhammad Dari, Rashad Nasser, Mahmoud Khaldoun Mustafa, Bashar Mahmoud, Mahmoud Ramadan Ebied, Muhammad Adnan Ebied, Muneer Kayed Mahmoud, Akram Fadi Mustafa, Thaer Muhammad Mehisin, Ismael Tawfiq Mehisin, Firas Nidal Mahmoud, Amir Munir Dirbas, Nasim Amjad Mehisin, and Odai Issa Ebied. (Maanews 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ordered Issawiya town residents Ahmad Yossef Ebied and Sufian Mahmoud to appear for interrogation with Israeli intelligence. (Maanews 30 April 2017)
- Israeli police had forcibly evacuated a peaceful sit-in organized at the Damascus Gate entrance to the Old City, held to express support for approximately 1,500 Palestinian prisoners who have been on hunger strike in Israeli prisons for the past 14 days. After marching through the streets, chanting slogans in solidarity with the hunger strikers, demonstrators were chased by Israeli police on horseback, with Israeli police officers also ripping up and confiscating pictures of Palestinian prisoners that protesters were carrying. Some demonstrators also attempted to march towards Herod's Gate and Salah al-Din street, but were stopped and suppressed by Israeli police. Israeli police detained four Palestinians identified as Yassin Subieh, Luay Jaber, Suhaib Siyam, and Amer al-Qawasmi, after they were physically and verbally assaulted. Israeli police also assaulted at least 13 journalists in an attempt to stop them from covering the attacks on demonstrators. Among the injured was a reporter, Ahmad Gharabla, who was severely bruised on his chest after being assaulted by Israeli police on

horseback, while Israeli police also beat Ammar Awwad, a photographer, with the butts of their rifles. (Maannews 30 April 2017)

## Hebron

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians in the town of Beit Ummar north of Hebron, after a large number of Israeli raided and searched several homes in the town. The IOA detained 35-year-old Yousef Mahmoud Ekhlayyil after raiding his house, when Israeli troops confiscated winter clothes belonging to Ekhlayyil and his seven-year-old son Ammar. Ekhlayyil is a former prisoner who has spent four years in Israeli custody. The IOA also detained 24-year-old Abed al-Hamid Muhisin Awad from his home in Beit Ummar. He too is a former prisoner, having spent three years in Israeli prison. Former prisoner Ibrahim Khalil Mahmoud Abu Dayya, 24, was also detained. The three detainees were taken to Israel's Etzion detention center north of Beit Ummar. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Muhammad Saadi Ali Eklayyil in Beit Ummar and seized his identity card. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- In Hebron Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 22-year-old Muhammad al-Natsheh and 18-year-old Muhammad Abu Akker in Hebron city, as well as Abdullah Atta Hawarin in al-Dhahiriya south of Hebron city.
- In Hebron Governorate, in the southern West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) rolled into Bab al-Zawia and al-Shuhadaa Street in several army jeeps and bulldozers and leveled Palestinian lands. The IOA also wreaked havoc on civilian homes in Hebron and handed interrogation writs to two Palestinians civilians from al-Zgheir family. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) aboard seven military jeeps, stormed the vicinity of Tareq Ibn Ziad School, in al-Mashareqa Neighborhood in Hebron city, and ravaged Palestinian commercial shops. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- Three Palestinian ex-prisoners were kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) from their homes in Hebron northern town of Beit Ummar. The detainees were identified as 24-year-old Muntassar Awad and Ibrahim Abu Diyeh, along with Youssef Ikhleil, 35. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- Two Palestinian youths—Mohamed Abu Akr and Majdi al-Natsheh—were kidnapped by the Israeli border police near the Ibrahimi Mosque,

in the Old City of Hebron after they had been subjected to heavy beating and to strip searches on suspicion of holding knives. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) tightened security in the Old City of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank, expanding the area under army control by several meters with cement blocks. Israeli soldiers moved cement blocks, which were installed at the entrance of al-Shuhada Street, some 10 meters further within the adjacent Bab al-Zawiya neighborhood. The cement blocks had been moved without warning or explanation. As a result, a number of Palestinian-owned stores were no longer accessible by car due to the change. One of the blocks had been set up to serve as cover for army snipers. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- In Hebron, in the southern part of the West Bank, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) abducted Shebil Ahmad Daghameen. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- 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)
- 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)
- In the Hebron Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three "teenagers" from the al-Arroub 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)
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- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed home demolition orders to two Palestinians of al-Hathalein family, Yaser and Adel, in Umm al-Khair village in Masafer Yatta. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- In Beit Ummar town, north of Hebron city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided two locations in the town, then searched and wreaked havoc in two homes belonging to Mutasem and Ibrahim Brejjiye. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian child at a military checkpoint near the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA detained Ahmad Idris Ghaith, 12, at the Israeli Abu al-Rish checkpoint. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) injured a Palestinian with live ammunition on Wednesday in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The Palestinian was identified as Marwan Zakariya al-Asous, 28, from the northern West Bank Governorate of Nablus. Al-Asous was injured in the legs. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation police kidnapped a Palestinian young man at a military checkpoint north of Hebron after searching the public car he was aboard. Israeli policemen set up a makeshift checkpoint near the military watchtower in Wadi Sa'ier area, north of Hebron, and embarked on stopping and searching passing vehicles. The soldiers forced passengers to leave the cars they were aboard, checked their IDs and detained some young men before they rounded up one of them and released the rest. The young man was identified as 22-year-old Hasan Shalalkeh. The reason for his detention is still unknown. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) abducted, two former political prisoners from their homes in Beit Ummar town, north of the southern West Bank city of Hebron, and summoned four Palestinians for interrogation. The soldiers invaded Beit Ummar from several directions, before storming homes and violently searching them, and abducted two former political prisoners, identified as Ahmad Yousef Ekhlayyel, 28, and Issa Ali Awad, 27. The soldiers also invaded and ransacked homes in the center of the town, in addition to Beit Za'ta area, and summoned many Palestinians, including an elderly man, for interrogation at the Etzion military and security base, north of Hebron. The summoned Palestinians have been identified as Yousef Hasan Ekhlayyel, 64, his sons, Aktham, 25, and Karam, 18, in addition to Hammad Ahmad Abu Mariya, 26. Clashes also took place between the invading soldiers, who fired many gas bombs and concussion grenades, causing many residents to suffer the severe effects of teargas inhalation, and local youths, who hurled stones at the military vehicles. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians from the Hebron-area town of Beit Ummar were slightly injured after an Israeli settler attempted to run them over on a main road connecting the southern occupied West Bank city of Hebron to Jerusalem. An Israeli settler was driving on the road, located near Beit Ummar, when the settler attempted to run over Palestinians

Muhammad Basem Khader al-Alami, 25, and Saed Samir Hassan al-Salibi, 20. The Israeli settler drove very fast with his car towards the two, who noticed the settler's car rushing towards them at the last moment, causing them to fall on the side of the street, while the Israeli settler escaped. (Maannews 7 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a workshop in the town of Sair northeast of Hebron city, and confiscated equipment that the Israeli army alleged was used to manufacture weapons. The workshop, which belongs to local resident Ayyoub al-Karaki, was located in the neighboring town of al-Shuyukh, west of Sair. Israeli soldiers posted a sign on the sealed exterior door of the workshop that said the shop was “closed and will not be allowed to be opened again.” The notice also warned that “other procedures” were going to be taken “regarding people and properties involved in illegal operations.” (Maannews 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Arroub College adjacent to al-Arroub refugee camp in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron allegedly for rock throwing by local Palestinians at passing Israeli cars. (Maannews 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinians in the southern occupied West bank Governorate of Hebron, three of whom were identified as former prisoner Rafaat al-Sharabati, Wael Qafisha, and Shadi Idriss. The IOA raided several other houses belonging to former prisoners in the Hebron area, including the homes of Iyad al-Jabaa, Nihad al-Jabaa, Othman al-Qawasmi, Adib al-Qawasmi, Amin al-Qawasmi, and Ihab al-Qawasmi. (Maannews 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided several areas of the town of Beit Ummar north of Hebron, and detained 38-year-old Ziyad Muhammad Bahr, 27-year-old Ramzi Ahmad Ikhlayyil, the brother of Martyr Khalid Ikhlayyil and 23-year-old Sabri Ibrahim Awwad. The IOA also briefly detained 55-year-old Ruweida Bajis al-Salibi in Beit Ummar during a raid at her house, when Israeli soldiers assaulted her 26-year-old son Alaa, who is a former prisoner, in attempt to put pressure on her other son, 23-year-old Ahmad, to turn himself in to Israeli forces at Etzion detention center for interrogation. Additionally, the IOA briefly detained and assaulted former prisoner Khalid Abd al-Fatah Sabarna, 25, during the raid in Beit Ummar. (Maannews 9 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers kidnapped ex-detainee Ra'fat ash-Sharabati following a violent raid on his home in Aqabat Tafoh area in Hebron city. Soldiers also broke into and pillaged the house of 23-year-old Shadi an-Najjar in

Abu Katila neighborhood before rounding him up. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the house of ex-detainee Louay Attawil in Abu Rumman neighborhood in the city of Hebron and confiscated his car. Homes of seven ex-detainees were also raided during the same campaign. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped an ex-prisoner from Hebron Governorate after they summoned him to questioning in Etzion camp. The 23-year-old Ahmad Issa al-Salibi was kidnapped by the IOA after he was summoned to questioning. Three other Palestinians, including ex-prisoners, were kidnapped by the Israeli soldiers from Beit Ummar on the same day. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers removed a stone plaque, which memorialized a Palestinian girl who was shot dead by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in October 2015 near the illegal Kiryat Arba settlement, in the Wadi al-Ghurus area of Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA smashed the monument, a marble plaque etched with a Quran verse, which stated that the street was renamed after 17-year-old Bayan al-Esseili. (Maannews, WAFA 10 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers invaded several Palestinian homes, in the southern West Bank city of Hebron, violently searched them and abducted two Palestinians, in addition to confiscating machines from a lathe workshop. The soldiers abducted Rafat Maher Sharabati, from his home, and invaded his father's lathe workshop, before confiscating machines and equipment. The soldiers also abducted another Palestinian, identified as Mos'ab Abu Turki, after invading and ransacking his home, in the city. (IMEMC 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) installed many roadblocks at the main roads leading to Sa'ir and Halhoul towns, in addition to Hebron's northern road, before stopping and searching dozens of cars, and interrogated many residents while inspecting their ID cards. (IMEMC 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) temporarily closed all entrances to the city of Hebron around noon, while tightening military procedures on bypass roads in the northern, eastern and southern parts of the city. The IOA installed iron gates at some of the entrances to the city, while also erecting checkpoints and checking the identity cards of Palestinians passing through. (Maannews 10 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers attacked a Palestinian child in Hebron leaving him suffering from different injuries and bruises. The 14-year-old Hassan Shaloudi was transferred to hospital after being brutally

beaten by a group of settlers while on his way to school. The assault occurred when the settlers stopped Hassan and ordered him to open his bag and to throw all its content onto the ground. The schoolboy was then beaten after he refused to do so. Hassan fainted and was left bleeding on the ground before being taken to hospital. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed in the Old City of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank closed the entrance to the Palestinian Health Work Committees' emergency center, leaving patients and ambulances unable to reach the center. The closure was conducted in line with a series of procedures that the IOA routinely take in the Old City during Jewish holidays. Monday's closure saw all entrances leading to the Old City shut down with iron gates and cement blocks, including the only entrance leading to the medical emergency center. The entrance leading to the center was closed with an iron gate, which prevented anyone from reaching or leaving the center, including those in need of medical care. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
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- A number of Palestinian protesters choked on teargas in clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Hebron's northern town of Beit Ummar. Clashes broke out in al-Dhuhr area, opposite to the illegal Israeli settlement of Karmi Tsur. The occupation soldiers attacked the Palestinian anti-occupation protesters with randomly-discharged spates of teargas canisters. A number of Palestinians choked on teargas in the clashes. The occupation soldiers further blocked off the main access road to Sh'ab al-Seir area before Palestinian civilians. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 24-year-old Hazem Khalid Khallaf, after raiding his house in the town of Dura in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- Israeli military patrols stationed at a military checkpoint in Beit Jala summoned 25-year-old Khalil Abu Mariya, from Beit Ummar, to questioning in Etzion camp. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the 16-year-old Palestinian boy Ahmad Abu Ayyash, from Beit Ummar town, north of Hebron in the southern West Bank. The IOA soldiers arrested the young man in Beit Zateh area, east of the town, while he was going back home. The soldiers beat up the minor after he allegedly threw stones at them, he pointed out. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)

- Tens of Israeli settlers raided Yatta's Municipality Public park in Al Karmel area south of Hebron city, checked Palestinian cars and obstructed movement. (Wafa 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli soldiers installed many roadblocks at Hebron's southern entrance, in al-Fahs area, in addition to Beit Einoun area, east of the city, Farsh al-Hawa, west of Hebron, and Wad al-Ghrous, in its eastern part, before stopping and searching dozens of cars, and interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards. Dozens of soldiers and military vehicles were also deployed on roads leading to many villages and towns, especially on bypass roads, in several parts of the Hebron district. (IMEMC 12 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)
- 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)
- 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)

- The Israeli occupation army also sealed off the main entrance to Hebron's northern town of Beit Ummar, in the southern West Bank, and blocked the access of Palestinian vehicles out of and into the area. (PALINFO 16 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank before dawn, shutting down and sealing off two bookstores after confiscating materials. Muhammad bookstore near Hebron University and the Hussam bookstore near the Palestine Polytechnic University in the city were targeted by the Israeli military raid, with soldiers posting notices on their doors claiming the bookstores were ordered to close down for being "involved in incitement." The stores were closed allegedly for having "cooperated with local student cells of the Hamas terror organization, by providing a series of services to the cells, including printing incitement material." (Maannews 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two Palestinian youngsters near the Ibrahimi 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 Ibrahimi 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. (WAFSA 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Ad Dahiryah town and stormed the house of Hazem Khaled Khalil Khulaf and messed with the contents. (WAFSA 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)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from the town of Beit Ummar during predawn raids. The IOA raided and searched several houses in Beit Ummar and detained two youths, identified as 17-year-old Muayyad Ayish Khalil Abu Maria and 17-year-old Qussawi Raed Sharif Abu Hashem. The IOA also raided and searched the house of 50-year-old Ahmad Khalil Abed Abu Hisham, and smashed the doors of his house. Israeli soldiers posted a notice

- ordering Abu Hisham to meet with the Israeli intelligence at the Etzion detention center for interrogation. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- In the Hebron area town of Yatta, two Palestinians were detained, identified as Muhammad Kamal Daoud and Muossa Jamal Daoud. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
  - Two Palestinians were detained in Hebron city, one of the detainees from Hebron city as Mustafa Obeido. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
  - A Palestinian was detained in the village of Beit Ula in the northwestern outskirts of the Hebron Governorate. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) confiscated drilling equipment worth over million shekels after notifying a Palestinian industrial facility north of al-Khalil city with stop-work orders. The IOA raided a stone quarry in Shib al-Sir area near Karmeit settlement south of Beit Ummar and handed its owner, Yousuf Abu Ayyash, two stop-work notices without prior warning. The IOA ordered the owner of the quarry to refer to the Civil Administration in Gush Etzion settlement to decide on the issue, noting that the quarry has been operating for 18 years. (PALINFO, WAFA 19 April 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Kherbit At Tabban, Kherbit Al Fakheit and Kherbit Al Majaz in the southern Hebron hills, and took photos of Al Masafer school, clinic and a number of residencies in the aforementioned area. (WAFA 19 April 2017)
  - Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron identified as Muhammad Samer Ayyash Ikhlayyil, a 38-year-old resident of the village of Beit Ummar, at the Hizma checkpoint in the Jerusalem Governorate as he was heading back from work, while Mahmoud Abu Hashhash was detained in the al-Fawwar refugee camp. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped head of Beit Ummar Association for Orphans Care, Ahmad Muhamamd Abdel Qader Al Omari, 63, after raiding his house and searching it. Al Omari was transferred to Etzion military camp. (ORIENTBETHELHEM 20 April 2017)
  - In collaboration with Israeli police, Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided a blacksmith workshop in Hebron city where they confiscated six lathes and closed the shop after claims of finding weapons. (Maannews 21 April 2017)

- In the Hebron-area village of Beit Ummar, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched two gas stations around dawn. No detentions were reported. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from Hebron city, and three from the village of Surif during overnight detention raids. The two Palestinians were detained from Surif, and identified them as former prisoner Taqi al-Din Jamal al-Hour and Baraa Hussein Hmidat. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers attacked a Palestinian child in Hebron leaving him suffering from different injuries and bruises. The 14-year-old Hassan Shaloudi was transferred to hospital after being brutally beaten by a group of settlers while on his way to school. The assault occurred when the settlers stopped Hassan and ordered him to open his bag and to throw all its content onto the ground. The schoolboy was then beaten after he refused to do so. Hassan fainted and was left bleeding on the ground before being taken to hospital. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at dawn raided homes in the southern Governorate of Hebron and handed Palestinian citizens summonses for interrogation from the Shin Bet. Israeli soldiers and one Shin Bet officer entered aboard vehicles Khamat al-Dar area, south of Hebron, ransacked the house of ex-detainee Mahmoud Abu Asnainah and handed him a summons for interrogation. (PALINFO 22 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into and pillaged two homes in the southern Governorate of Hebron, particularly in the areas of Wadi al-Qadi and Zif, and handed two citizens interrogation orders. (PALINFO 22 April 2017)
- In the west of Hebron, an Israeli military force set up a makeshift checkpoint on Beit Kahel Bridge, where they embarked on intercepting and searching passing vehicles, and checking IDs of passengers. The IOA at the checkpoints detained a citizen called Khalil al-Atawneh, who works at the government hospital in Hebrin city, for about one and a half hours and then released him. (PALINFO 22 April 2017)
- A Palestinian child was moderately injured after an Israeli settler opened fire at him in Al Karma area in Hebron city. The injured Palestinian was identified as Yousif Wael Al Awawdah, 6 years. (WAFA 22 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)

- 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 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)
- 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)

- Israeli raids were carried out in Beit Ummer town in Hebron where a number of local houses were stormed and searched under the pretext of looking for “wanted” persons which led to the outbreak of violent clashes. Heavy teargas bombs and live ammunition were used during the clashes, while no injuries were reported. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- In Hebron city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a local farm in Yatta town south of the city. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- In the southernmost occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli occupation troops raided the village of al-Samu and detained one Palestinian. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Dar al-Israa library, owned by the Palestinian ex-prisoner Taher Dendis near al-Khalil University. The IOA wreaked havoc on the building and seized all the laptops. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed another branch of the library, near al-Khalil municipality, and ruled that it be closed for six months on claims of selling anti-occupation material. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) sealed off the northern entrance to Hebron Governorate with a military checkpoint and cracked down on Palestinian civilians. The IOA set up a military checkpoint in Halhul Bridge area, where Palestinian drivers and civilians had been subjected to intensive inspection. The occupation soldiers have tightened grip on al-Khalil and closed off the city with makeshift checkpoints over the past few days. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- A military checkpoint had been pitched near the main entrance to al-Hawawer area between Halhul and the Israeli bypass road. Palestinian vehicles and citizens had also been made to endure exhaustive searches. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- Ex-prisoner Wadi’ Badran Jaber was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from Hebron Governorate (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians were injured during clashes that erupted in the Bab al-Zawiyeh area of Hebron city in the southern West Bank. Several others suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation as the IOA fired tear-gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at youth. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on a solidarity sit-in tent in the al-Arrub refugee camp in northern Hebron, causing clashes to erupt between locals and the armed IOA. The IOA raided the center of

the camp, with Palestinian youths throwing rocks at Israeli soldiers who fired tear-gas, causing several to suffer from suffocation. (Maannews 28 April 2017)

- In the village of Beit Ummar in the north of Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) injured two Palestinians with live bullets and another with rubber-coated bullets after clashes broke out amid a solidarity march in the village. Five Palestinians also suffered from tear gas inhalation. One was injured with shrapnel from a live bullet in the chest, and two were injured with tutu bullets in their legs. The IOA took over the roof tops of 10 Palestinian homes in the village and turned them into temporary military posts and shot tutu bullets, rubber-coated bullets, and live ammunition at Palestinians. The IOA also sprayed waste water at Palestinians before retreating from the village two hours after the clashes broke out. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) dressed up as Palestinian civilians and detained five Palestinians while assaulting them near the Hebron governmental hospital during clashes that erupted in the area around the hospital. clashes had erupted from Bab al-Zawiya area and reached the area of the Hebron governmental hospital. The IOA fired a sound bomb at the hospital, causing the front glass door of the emergency section to shatter. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Five Palestinian young men were kidnapped by Israeli plain-clothes soldiers during clashes in Hebron while a child suffered a bullet injury in the same events. The IOA disguised as civilians rounded up five young men during violent skirmishes with Israeli troops in the central neighborhoods of Hebron city. During the same clashes, 14-year-old Mu'men Misk was injured in the leg by a live bullet and many others suffered from inhaling tear gas. Two young men, both aged 18, also suffered injuries and bruises when soldiers physically assaulted them in the events. (PALINFO 29 April 2017)
- An Israeli settler ran over a four-year-old Palestinian boy, identified as Murad Samir al-Razam, in the center of Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank and fled the scene. The hit and run occurred in the center of Hebron city, near the illegal Israeli Ramat Yishai settlement adjacent to Tel Rumeida. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- A Palestinian child was critically injured after he was hit by a settler driving east of Yatta, in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. An Israeli settler rammed his car into the Palestinian child Ahmed Mohamed Amour on a bypass road near Khilet al-Miyeh, east of Yatta, in southern Hebron. The child sustained serious wounds as he

was violently run over by the settler, who was driving at a high speed in the area. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two Palestinian children near the Ibrahimi Mosque, in Hebron. Bashar Gheith and Mohamed Gheith, both 17-year-old, were kidnapped by the occupation soldiers at Checkpoint 106, set up in the vicinity of the Ibrahimi Mosque, in the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed the plazas of the Ibrahimi Mosque and performed sacrilegious rituals, sparking tension in the area. The Israeli military forces tightened restrictions near the Ibrahimi place of worship. At the same time, Israeli settler hordes have held parties and chanted anti-Arab slogans to mark Israel's Independence Day. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the town of Idhna southwest of Hebron and raided several houses. The IOA detained six Palestinians in the town, five of whom were identified by locals as Rafaat Raed Abu Jehisha, Muhammad Abd al-Karim Farraj Allah, Fadi Halim Eslimiya, Nashaat Fadil Eslimiya, and Yossef Ali Awad. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Firas Hasan Marar during raids in the Hebron Governorate. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Clashes broke out between Palestinian youth and the Israeli army near the main entrance to al-Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron city. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian schoolchildren with randomly-shot spates of teargas canisters. Several young learners choked on teargas in the process. Clashes burst out shortly afterwards. The Israeli army further closed off the northern entrances to al-Arroub refugee camp, sparking further tension in the area. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- A number of Palestinian citizens choked on teargas when Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Beit Ummar town in northern Hebron and fired teargas canisters. The IO soldiers fired rubber bullets and teargas grenades at the inhabitants and their homes located close to Karmeit settlement. Many people choked on teargas. The IO soldiers confiscated a car belonging to Ayesh Abu Mariya and fired a teargas canister inside it. Abu Mariya suffered severe suffocation. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

## Qalqilyah

- Clashes burst out in Qalqilya's eastern town of Jayyus moments after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the area and attacked the Palestinian anti-occupation youth with randomly-unleashed spates of teargas canisters. A military checkpoint was further pitched by the Israeli forces at the main entrance to Azzoun town, where Palestinian vehicles and civilians had been made to endure intensive searches. The assault culminated in the abduction of youngster Othman Redwan from Azzoun at predawn. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- A Palestinian man was detained by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) near a military post near the illegal Israeli settlement of Zuffin in the Qalqilya Governorate.(Maannews 2 April 2017)
- Israeli authorities are advancing plans to expand an illegal settlement west of Salfit in the central occupied West Bank, to be built on tens of dunums of private Palestinian land. The Supreme Council for Planning and Building at the Israeli Civil Administration has put forward a new settlement scheme to expand a college in the illegal Israeli settlement of Elkana, to be constructed on the lands of the Palestinian village of Masha. Israeli bulldozers have recently leveled agricultural land in Masha for new settlement units in Elkana and the neighboring settlement of Shaare Tiqwa, noting that Israeli authorities did not notify landowners beforehand. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians were injured by rubber-coated steel bullets, while seven others suffered from severe tear gas inhalation as Israeli forces suppressed a weekly march in the village of Kafr Qaddum, located in the eastern Qalqilya Governorate in the northern occupied West Bank. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) deployed heavily in the village, firing tear gas canisters and rubber-coated steel bullets at protesters. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- In the village of Kafr Qaddum in the northern Governorate of Qalqilya, Israeli forces injured three Palestinian "children" with rubber-coated steel bullets. A large number of Israeli soldiers, escorted by Israeli military vehicles, raided the village and fired large amounts of tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets into the crowd of protesters, causing the injury of three Palestinian "children." (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained at least two Palestinians in predawn raids in the occupied West Bank, both of whom were detained in the northern Governorate of Qalqilya. One man was detained in the city of Qalqilya, while one was detained in the village of Azzun, a few kilometers east of the city. Local sources identified the

- two as 25-year-old Muhtadi Dalal from Qalqiyia city and Arif Salima from Azzun village. (Maannews 16 April 2017)
- Ex-prisoner Aref Ahmed Salim was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from his home in Azzun village, east of Qalqilyah. The IOA further sealed off the main entrance to the town with a makeshift checkpoint and carried out abrupt combing operations across the area. (PALINFO 16 April 2016)
  - The campaign culminated in the abduction of the Palestinian citizen Muhtada Dalal, the son of the martyr Ma'zouz Dalal, from his family home in Qalqilya. (PALINFO 16 April 2016)
  - Another round of violent clashes rocked Qalqilya after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the city and carried out arbitrary combing operations. The Israeli army attacked the Palestinian anti-occupation youth with randomly-unleashed spates of teargas canisters, resulting in several suffocation cases. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
  - Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians in Beit Jala in the southern Bethlehem Governorate for allegedly throwing Molotov cocktails at a border guard patrol near Tunnels street, a road that leads from Beit Jala into occupied East Jerusalem, secured by an Israeli military checkpoint that restricts movement for Palestinians to those holding special permits. No injuries were reported. The two Palestinians were from al-Duheisha refugee camp in south side of the Bethlehem Governorate. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
  - In Qalqilyah, an Israeli military force stormed the city and Azzun town, kidnapped a citizen and brutalized others. The detained citizen is a university student called Saji Abu Adaba. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
  - In the village of Kafr Qaddum in the northern occupied West Bank governorate of Qalqilyia, eight Palestinians and an Israeli activist were injured during their weekly march. A journalist, identified as Anal al-Jadaa, a reporter for Palestine TV, was among those injured during the march. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the march that was held in solidarity with Palestinian prisoners on the ongoing mass hunger strike. The IOA shot rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas at protesters. Clashes erupted after the IOA raided homes in the village and used them as military posts to open fire at youths. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation army (IOA) closed the northern entrance to Azzun village in Qalqilyia Governorate and blocked the Azzun-Jayyous road before spreading across nearby areas and embarking on brutalizing local residents. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)

- In Qalqilyia Governorate, a Palestinian was arrested in Azzun village for allegedly founding a fishing weapon in his car after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stopped and searched his vehicle. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed neighborhoods in Qalqilyah city and fired volleys of tear gas and stun grenades at Palestinian homes, with no reason. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The 20-year-old Hudheifa Khouly, enrolled at An-Najah Engineering University, was kidnapped from his family home in Imateen, in Qalqilyah Governorate. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation soldiers kidnapped 13-year-old Alaa Ubaid and Ali Amer, 24, from Qalqilya Governorate. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians were detained in the village of Immatin in the Qalqilyia Governorate. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In Qalqilyia, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Alaa Said Obeid, 15, and Ali Muhammad Amer, 25, after raiding and searching their family homes in the village of Kafr Qaddum. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In southern Qalqilyia city, located in the northern West Bank, clashes broke out near an Israeli military checkpoint. Two Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation near the checkpoint. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Clashes broke out between Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and local Palestinians in the Qalqilyia-area village of Kafr Qaddum. Two Palestinians were injured in the village with rubber-coated bullets shot by the IOA. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) intensively deployed in the vicinity of Azzun village in Qalqilyia Governorate. Eight Israeli military vehicles were stationed in the olive fields between the villages of Azzun and Izbet al-Tabib, and ambushes were set up at dawn hours. The IOA also erected a military checkpoint at the western entrance of Azzun and interrogated a number of citizens who were passing in the area. (PALINFO 29 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two young men, from Azzun refugee camp in Qalqilyah, at a makeshift checkpoint. The IOA set up a roadblock at the northern entrance to Azzun town and rounded up Muaad Shabaita, 22, and Asem Abu Haneyya, 38. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

## **Tubas**

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) forced dozens of residents of Ras al-Ahmar village in Jordan Valley to vacate their houses for military drills. Ten Palestinian families living in the village were made to take their flocks and leave the area until the training was over. The community, which lives in the Jordan Valley some four kilometers east of the Palestinian town of Tammun, is located near a number of Israeli military camps. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- Two Israelis killed a sheep and wounded a goat as they threw stones at a flock belonging to a Palestinian family in the northern Jordan Valley. A third sheep was wounded and fled and has not yet returned. Two members of the Iyoub family were with the grazing flock at 3 P.M. some two kilometers from their residence at the Tel al-Hima camp. Two Israelis arrived on the scene, one of whom was riding a horse, wearing black and had his face covered. The masked Israeli threw rocks at the flock from horseback. The Palestinians were verbally abused by the Israelis. ([Haaretz](#) 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stopped and searched a number of Palestinian vehicles in Tammun town east of Tubas, and subjected the drivers to tough investigation. The IOA stormed the town and were deployed in large numbers in its neighborhoods before questioning several locals. A military checkpoint was erected at the entrance to the town where all passing-by vehicles were stopped and searched, the sources added. (PALINFO 15 April 2017)
- Two Palestinian young men suffered live bullet injuries during violent clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the main entrance to Tammun town, south of Tubas in the West Bank. Israeli soldiers set up a makeshift checkpoint at the main entrance to Tammun and opened fire at a gathering of local young men. Two young men identified as Hamad Ziyad and Ahmed Ra'ed suffered bullet injuries in their legs. Others also suffered rubber bullet and tear gas injuries during the events. No arrests were reported during the IOF campaign in the area. (PALINFO 15 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) seized an agricultural tractor from Palestinian ranches east of Tammun town, in the northern West Bank, in the third such violation over recent days. The Israeli soldiers continue to crack down on Palestinian farmers in al-Ras al-Ahmar area, east of Tammun town, in the northern Jordan Valley, as part of a larger scheme of ethnic cleansing aiming to force Palestinians out of the area. The seized tractor belongs to the Palestinian citizen Nasser Daraghma. (PALINFO 17 April 2017)

- Israeli settlers assaulted and attacked Palestinian shepherds in Ein As Sakut area in the northern Jordan valley. (WAFSA 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided Khallet Makhoul in the northern Jordan Valleys and took photos of Palestinians' ID cards in the area. (WAFSA 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a private vehicle belonging to citizen Husam Al Amer from Tayaseer village east of Tubas city. (WAFSA 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)
- Israeli settlers were reportedly grazing their cows in Ayn al-Sakout area in the northern Jordan Valley and set up a tents in the area, while Palestinian shepherds are prevented from grazing their sheep. (WAFSA 24 April 2017)
- An Israeli military camp set up in Umm Zuqa, in the northern Jordan Valley, supplied a nearby illegal settlement outpost with water. The settlement outpost which was supplied with water was built in early January on Palestinian private land, after Israeli settlers brought a herd of 30 cows to the area. The Israeli authorities further installed several water tanks and solar panels in the outpost. Dozens of trees have also been planted. Last week, a pipe running from the largest water tank in the settlement outpost and whose edges were covered with mud was detected in the area in what was believed to be a sign of Israeli attempts to conceal field evidence of illegal settlement expansion. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) imposed new military restrictions at the main entrance to Tammun town in Tubas. The IOA violently stormed Tammun and erected a makeshift checkpoint at its main entrance after closing all the entrances leading to the town. All passing-by vehicles were stopped and searched at the checkpoint. Some of the drivers were provocatively insulted by the soldiers during the search operation. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) notified several Palestinian families in the northern Jordan Valley region of the occupied West Bank that they would have to evacuate their homes to make way for Israeli military training exercises. The IOA ordered more than 10 Palestinian families in the Ras al-Ahmar area northeast of Tubas to leave their homes starting at 5 p.m. Wednesday until 5 a.m. on Thursday. (Maannews 27 April 2017)

- Israeli bulldozers destroyed all the water pipelines providing services to the village of Bardala in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Tubas. Four Israeli bulldozers, escorted by Israeli military jeeps and officials from Israel’s Civil Administration, destroyed all the main lines providing Bardala with water, leaving some 3,500 residents of the village without access to any water. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) claimed that residents in the village were stealing the water through the lines in order to use the water for agriculture and farming. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In the northeastern West Bank Governorate of Tubas, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two “youths” identified as Faze Sawafta and Usama Sawafta from Tubas city. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Lutfi Bisharat from the village of Tammun in southern Tubas. (Maannews 27 April 2017)

## Ramallah

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on Palestinian lands in the southern Gaza Strip. The IOA deployed behind the border fence in eastern Rafah city opened fire at Palestinian agricultural lands in the area. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 1 April 2017)
- Ahmad Wael ‘Affana was abducted by undercover soldiers, who broke into his home in the al-Masyoun neighborhood in Ramallah city. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) abducted Dia’ Mohammad Ja’far, from the al-Am’ari refugee camp In Ramallah governorate, in central West Bank. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- In Ramallah governorate, in central West Bank, the soldiers abducted Ata Othman Orabi and Mohammad Jamal Nakhla, from the al-Jalazoun refugee camp. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- 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)

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) issued demolition notices against houses of Palestinian prisoners in Ramallah and al-Bireh twin cities, under the pretext of building without permit. An Israeli military force raided prisoner Bajes Nakhla's house in Jalazone refugee camp, north of Ramallah, and handed his wife an order notifying the demolition of her 600-square-meter house. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed two demolition notices to the released prisoners Abbas Qara'an and Rami Ishtewi from al-Bireh city under the same pretext. Abbas Qara'an said in an interview with Quds Press agency that an Israeli force stormed his house in Jabal al-Tawil area and threatened to demolish it, claiming that part of his house is located in Area C which is under full Israeli controlled according to the Oslo accords. He added that the notice gives him a three-day time limit to object in court, noting that he received another demolition notice three years ago without the Israeli court issuing a final decision in this regard. Qara'an, a released prisoner who spent seven years in Israeli jails and three years in the Palestinian Authority's prisons, affirmed that the Israeli occupation uses building without a permit as an excuse to target the Palestinian prisoners. He said that the house of the released prisoner Rami Ishtewi, which is located next to his house, received a similar notice, noting that both houses are close to Psagot settlement which was illegally built on Palestinian lands east of al-Bireh. He pointed out that his house was licensed few years before the occupation of the West Bank in 1967 and that he obtained the necessary licenses to expand it in 2002. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the central occupied West Bank village of Silwad before dawn and detained Malik Hamid. The IOA also detained Ahmad Moussa Hamid, 52, and Moussa Ahmad Hamid, 17, Hamid's father and brother during the raid in Silwad. Two other residents -- Muhammad Omar Hamid, 23, and Mutasem Abd al-Majid Hammad -- were also detained. The IOA confiscated six vehicles, 40,000 shekels (\$10,970) as well as the work permits of an unspecified number of Hamid's relatives. The IOA also took measurements of Hamid's home, likely in preparation for a punitive demolition. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) extended the administrative detention of Sheikh Hassan Youssef for three months for the fifth consecutive time only one day before his scheduled release. MP Sheikh Youssef, 62, was arrested on Oct. 20, 2015 after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed his house west of Ramallah. (PALINFO 10 April 2017)

- Israeli settlers uprooted 310 olive trees in the village of Mukhmas, southeast of East Jerusalem. Under the protection of the Israeli occupation army (IOA), settlers from Ma'ale Mikhmas settlement adjacent to the village uprooted and destroyed Palestinian-owned 310 olive trees near by-pass Route 60, which connects settlements established on the village's lands with neighboring settlements. This is the second time Israeli settlers uprooted olive trees in Mukhmas. Two years ago, they uprooted 200 olive trees. (Wafa 10 April 2017)
- Palestinian teenager Jassem Muhammad Nakhla, who was shot by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) near the al-Jalazun refugee camp in the central occupied West Bank in March, succumbed to his wounds. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
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- During a raid into the central occupied West Bank city of al-Bireh in northeastern Ramallah, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained exiled Jerusalem lawmaker Ahmad Attun, as well as Hamas spokesperson Fayiz Abu Wardeh, after breaking into and searching their homes. Attun, is a member of the Palestinian Legislative Council, and was exiled from occupied East Jerusalem to the West Bank after the Israeli Interior Ministry had been threatening to deport Hamas-affiliated lawmakers -- under the pretext of disloyalty to the Israeli state. (Maannews 12 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)
- 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)
- During a weekly march in the village of Nilin in the central West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot Muhammad Abd al-Qadir Omera with live ammunition, causing him

to sustain injuries, before detaining him and transferring him to an unknown location. (Maannews 14 April 2017)

- Meanwhile, Palestinians and international solidarity activists participated in the Bilin village's weekly march near Ramallah. The march was launched to commemorate slain Palestinian Bassem Abu Rahma, who was killed in April 2009 after Israeli forces shot a high velocity-tear gas canister at him during a similar march. Bilin's march set off from the center of the village following Friday prayers and headed towards Israel's separation wall, where protesters held picture of Abu Rahma and shouted national slogans calling for supporting Palestinians held in Israeli prisons. (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained citizen Waleed Sameh Ar Rimwai, a 30-year-old Palestinian from the village of al-Nabi Salih in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah for alleged knife possession. The IOA stopped the man's vehicle at an Israeli military checkpoint at the entrance of the village. The IOA claimed that after searching the man and his car, they found a knife in the man's coat, and subsequently detained him. (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- Four Palestinian families risk to go homeless in al-Bireh after the Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) threatened the demolition of their homes. The four demolition notifications, which were handed over by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) to the Palestinian Liaison, targeted Palestinian homes in Jabal al-Tawil, in al-Bireh. The IOA gave the families a three-day time-limit to appeal the demolitions. The targeted homes are located near the Israeli illegal settlement Pesagot built on Palestinian lands in the area. Palestinian citizen Fawaz Hamdan said his home was built 52 years ago after he obtained a construction permit from the Jordanian authorities, prior to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank. The IOA turned down his appeals under the pretext of Jewish Holidays despite the fact that the notifications were issued during the seven-day Jewish Passover. (PALINFO 14 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinian minors during clashes which erupted at the end of a march launched by Palestinian students near the Ofer detention center -- the only Israeli prison in the West Bank -- in the Ramallah Governorate. Israeli soldiers fired tear gas and rubber-coated bullets towards Palestinians, who threw rocks in the direction of soldiers. The IOA then raided the nearby village of Beituniya, chasing and assaulting protesters. The four detained Palestinians were identified as Ahmad Turki, 15, Hassan Ziyad, 14, Usama Arabi, 15, and Muhammad al-Sarafandi, 17. (Maannews 17 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinian young men in Nabi Saleh village, north of Ramallah. The IOA soldiers erected a military barrier close to the village and searched passing Palestinians. The three detainees were taken to an unknown destination amid a state of tension prevailing in the village. (PALINFO 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities sentenced the Palestinian MP Ahmed Atoun to a renewable four-month prison-term, with neither charge nor trial. MP Atoun was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from his family home in Ramallah on April 12. He has also been banned from Occupied Jerusalem, where he was born and raised, for over seven years. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- Israeli Prison Service (IPS) authorities raided Section 14 of Ofer prison in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, conducting searches that lasted several hours. The IPS raided the section and destroyed the personal belongings of Palestinian prisoners. The raid came as an estimated 1,500 Palestinian prisoners across Israeli prisons entered the [third day of the “Freedom and Dignity” mass hunger strike](#). (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- In Ramallah, Israeli occupation soldiers broke into and ransacked the house of martyr Anas Hammad in Silwad village and confiscated 450 shekels and 50 Jordanian dinars as well as a school bus which the martyr’s father works on. 11 private vehicles were also seized during the IOA campaign in Silwad. The Israeli soldiers raided other homes in the village and kidnapped an ex-detainee called Mahmoud an-Najjar. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- Members of Israel’s right-wing National Religious Party, typically known by its Hebrew name “Mafdal,” held a barbecue in front Israel’s Ofer prison where Palestinian prisoners have entered the fourth day of a mass hunger strike. The group, which dissolved as a formal political party in 2008, said they wanted to “celebrate the hunger strike,” and to break the will of the Palestinian hunger strikers by cooking barbecue so that the smells would enter the prison cells. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- Clashes erupted near Ofer prison west of Ramallah after dozens of Palestinians performed Friday prayers on lands of the Rafat village, which Ofer is built on, in solidarity with Palestinian prisoners. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired tear-gas bombs, stun grenades and rubber-coated steel bullets to suppress the march, injuring some. (Maannews 21 April 2017)

- Peace Now has learnt that presently a new outpost is being established. The outpost is located beyond the fence surrounding Adam settlement (aka Geva Binyamin), southeast from Ramallah and beyond the Separation Barrier. This is the first outpost that is being established since the Israeli government declared a new policy towards settlement construction. The policy stated that settlement construction would be limited to within the “built up area” or “the footprint” of a settlement and that creation of new illegal outposts would be prohibited. Needless to say is that by being constructed outside the fence of Adam, the new outpost is not only a new outpost, but also beyond the “built up area” of the settlement, regardless of the lack in a clear definition to what “built up area” means. The outpost is being built illegally, without approvals and permits. The outpost, built on public lands (“state lands”), is located within the lines of an “outline plan” (Plan No. 240/1). An outline plan, as opposed to a detailed plan, is a principal plan that is meant to set the guidelines for the detailed planning. This means that according to the outline plan, there cannot be any construction permit without the approval of another detailed plan. However, the location of the outpost was chosen carefully. By locating the outpost within territory of any existing outline plan it enables the responsibility for demolishing the structures upon the Binyamin municipal council, which is run by the settlers, rather than on the Civil Administration, the military body that is generally responsible for issuing and enforcing demolition orders in Area C. Binyamin Council is known for its support of outposts, financially and politically, and there are at least 18 illegal outposts within its jurisdiction. Currently the outpost includes 7 light structures, some that are still in the making. In order to reach the outpost, the settlers have erupted a road which connects to a locked gate in the fence of Adam settlement. Unlike most outposts, the residents of this outposts are seemingly not the typical settler ideological advocates. The outpost residents have claimed to Peace Now that they are establishing the outpost for economic reasons. However, regardless for the reasoning behind the outpost residents, the political implication of the outpost are the same. The headline of the report in Haaretz (Hebrew) which dealt with this story, has created the impression as if there is a possibility of allowing Palestinians to live in the outpost. It seems that the flashy headline was due to a remark by one of the settlers. However, according to Peace Now's field visits and research, with quite certainty, there are no such indications that this is true. ([PEACENOW](#) 21 April 2017)

- 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 slightly 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)
- 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)
- Six Palestinians from al-Tamimi family were arrested in Nabi Salah village northwest of Ramallah. The six detainees were aged between 14 and 20 years. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) renewed the administrative detention of Sheikh Bajes Nakhla, who is currently held in solitary confinement, for three months. Sheikh Nakhla, from Jalazoun refugee camp to the north of Ramallah, spent more than 18 years in Israeli jails, mostly in administrative detention. His house was recently notified with demolition. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- At least 6 Palestinians were injured in clashes that erupted at Beit El barrier at the northern entrance of al-Bireh city near Ramallah. One Palestinian was injured by a live Toto bullet and five others were hit with rubber bullets after Israeli soldiers showered a group of protesters with bullets and tear gas grenades. Many of the protesters suffered breathing problems. The IOF also deployed water hoses at protesters who participated in a peaceful march in solidarity with Palestinian hunger striking prisoners in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)

- In the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, Israeli occupation troops detained Islam Nimr from al-Amari refugee camp, in addition to one unidentified Palestinian from the Umm al-Sharayit neighborhood south of Ramallah, and one in the village of Ein Arik. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers knocked down Palestinian 6 commercial structures and leveled Palestinian lands west of Ramallah province. Israeli army troops showed up at the scene all the way through the demolition process, which targeted 6 commercial barracks near the Ni'lin military checkpoint, west of Ramallah. The Israeli bulldozers further leveled Palestinian land lots used by the locals for parking cars on way to their workplaces in 1948 occupied territories (Green Line). The demolitions are frequently carried out in the area under the pretext that the targeted structures pose a threat to the nearby Israeli military watchtowers or settlement outposts. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- Evacuees of the illegal West Bank outpost of Amona have accused authorities of thwarting the construction of a new settlement for them. They claim they were promised a hilltop that was excluded from a recent military order expanding the jurisdiction of the Mateh Binyamin regional council, which includes the Jewish settlements and outposts in the southern part of the West Bank. The evacuees say they had expected Giva Heh, a hilltop next to the Geulat Tzion outpost, where they planned to settle, to be included in the council's jurisdiction, paving the way to their move there. Instead, the order signed last week by Major General Roni Noma of the IDF Central Command includes another area that was initially proposed to the Amona settlers, who turned it down. That area, known as Giva Bet, was earmarked as a new neighborhood of the Shvut Rachel settlement. Currently a few settler families who don't abide by the decisions of the settler establishment live off and on in temporary dwellings at Geulat Tzion. Periodically, they are evacuated from there by the IDF's Civil Administration. Law enforcement sources confirmed the military order expanding the council does not include the hilltop where the Amona settlers wish to build their homes, and that it incorporates other hilltops in the Shiloh area. The location the Amona evacuees desire is east of there. The sources also say the areas placed under the Mateh Binyamin jurisdiction include agricultural lands, the hilltop where the Shvut Rachel neighborhood is planned, as well as an area for a school and wastewater treatment plant. To read full report, click here ([Haaretz](#) 26 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers opened fire on Palestinians taking part in a popular solidarity march in the central occupied West Bank city of al-Bireh.

Dozens of Palestinians were marching through the streets of al-Bireh in support of the estimated 1,500 hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners who entered the [11th day of their strike on Thursday](#), when Israeli settlers from the nearby illegal Pesagot settlement -- built on the lands of al-Bireh -- opened fire at the protesters. No injuries were reported among the protesters. (Maannews 27 April 2017)

- Clashes erupted at the checkpoint, located next to the illegal Israeli settlement of Beit El, between Palestinian youths and Israeli Army (IOA) where the later opened live fire, rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas on the youth. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians, including an injured youth, on during clashes near the Ofer prison in western Ramallah. Clashes erupted between Palestinian youths and the IOA following a march in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners. The IOA fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas bombs. Five unidentified Palestinians, were assaulted by Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and taken into Ofer detention center. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Nine Palestinians were injured, including six with live fire and three with rubber-coated steel bullets, during clashes that erupted near the Beit El military checkpoint at the northern entrance of al-Bireh city in the central occupied West Bank. one youth was injured with live fire in the stomach and foot, another was injured with two live bullets in the back and leg, while four others with injured with live fire in the legs. Three youths were injured with rubber-coated steel bullets, including one youth with an injury to the face. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Several Palestinian youth were injured while dozens others suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation during clashes across the Ramallah and al-Bireh Governorate. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- A march set off from the Nabi Saleh village in northwestern Ramallah in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinians. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened live fire and tear gas cannisters on the protesters, injuring three Palestinians. The IOA were firing the [once-banned "tutu" ammunition](#) on protesters, which explode once they come in contact with the body. One youth was injured in the head with a tear gas canister while two others were injured in the legs with tutu bullets. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Meanwhile, dozens of Palestinians suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation during clashes that erupted between Palestinian youths and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) near the Ofer prison in western Ramallah and at the northern entrance of Silwad in eastern Ramallah.

Three Palestinians were injured with rubber-coated bullets. (Maannews 28 April 2017)

- In Silwad village in Ramallah Governorate, a Palestinian was injured with live fire in the leg, while tens of others suffered from tear gas inhalation, as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired live bullets, rubber bullets, sound bombs, and tear gas canisters after violent clashes broke out in the area. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the Sinjil village in northern Ramallah, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed all roads leading to the village and set up checkpoints at the main road adjacent to the village which connects the Nablus and Ramallah Governorates. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers blocked the main highway between the occupied West Bank cities of Ramallah and Nablus under Israeli police and military protection. Residents of the village of Sinjil in the Ramallah Governorate said that dozens of settlers, accompanied by large numbers of Israeli occupation army (IOA), blocked off the road near the entrance of the village. The IOA then stormed Sinjil and detained a number of young men, also confiscating 12 undocumented vehicles. (Maannews 30 April 2017)

## Salfit

- A new Israeli plan to confiscate dozens of dunums of Palestinian-owned lands west of Salfit. The so-called Israeli Civil Administration declared intention to build a new university in Elkana settlement at the expense of dozens of agricultural dunums west of Salfit. Bulldozing operations have already started in the area without notifying the lands' owners of the confiscation orders. (PALINFO 1 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) delivered an order to demolish seven Palestinian homes in the village of Deir Ballut west of Salfit in the central occupied West Bank earlier this week. The structures are located in the Abu al-Raish area, south of central Deir Ballut, near where Israel plans to build a section of its illegal separation wall. Israel's Civil Administration raided the area and delivered demolition notices for the buildings, noting that demolition orders for the same seven structures had been delivered several times before. The properties are owned by Muhammad Shahbir. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a makeshift checkpoint at the main entrance to Kifl Hares town, west of Salfit in the West Bank. Israeli soldiers at

the roadblock searched passing vehicles and passengers and checked the IDs of young people in particular. The roadblock obstructed the movement of vehicles and prompted many drivers to take other routes. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army Bulldozers (IOA) uprooted 150 olive trees in the Wadi Qana valley in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit without prior notice and destroyed a 40-meter-long dry-stone wall in the area. The trees were "evicted" under the pretext of "damaging the natural view and values of the nature resort." The uprooted trees belonged to Abd al-Aziz Abd al-Qadir Aqil and Muqbil Muhammad Awwad. (Maannews 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished Palestinian residential tents and livestock shelters west of Salfit Governorate. The IOA demolished 3 residential tents housing the Shheibar homeless family in Abu al-R'eish area, between Deir Balout and al-Laban villages, west of Salfit. The IOA further knocked down six shelters for raising livestock and ordered the family to evacuate the other shelters in no more than a week's time. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers trespassed onto private Palestinian land and vandalized property in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit. Nine settlers went to a water well belonging to Jamal Abu Hijla near the villages of Deir Istiya and Haris, fully removed their clothes and jumped into the well to swim. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
- In Saida, an area of Deir Istiya, Palestinian farmers encountered a group of Israeli settlers with construction equipment trying to transform a well owned by Khalid Abu Nasser into a swimming hole. The settlers fled the scene once they saw the farmers, who also found Hebrew graffiti on nearby rocks. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian cultivated lands north of Kafr al-Dik town in Salfit Governorate in favor of illegal settlement construction. Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian cultivated lands and archaeological sites near Deir Sam'an village, paving the way for the establishment of a new bypass road for Israelis residing in the nearby illegal settlement outpost of Leshem. Israeli forces and settlers have ceaselessly attempted to grab Kafr al-Dik's northern lands for illegal settlement expansion. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation authorities uprooted and chopped down more than a dozen olive trees in one area of the central occupied West Bank Salfit Governorate. Israeli authorities uprooted 18 olive trees and chopped down three others in the al-Zibaq area of Deir Ballut village in western Salfit. The destruction was part of ongoing land works for a project to

build a water pipeline in the area, meant to serve illegal Israeli settlements built on the private Palestinian lands of Deir Ballut. The trees in question were more than 40-year-old trees. (Maannews 11 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint at the entrance to Kifl Hares village, north of Salfit to the north of West Bank. The IOA stopped and searched dozens of Palestinian vehicles, restricting the people's movement. Many locals were forced to take alternative roads to reach their work. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- Wastewater from the illegal Israeli settlement of Ariel has been leaking onto surrounding Palestinian lands in the central occupied West Bank Salfit Governorate. The settlement's sewage pipeline had been leaking since Tuesday night, "drowning" nearby Palestinian agricultural lands. Olive trees and other plants on the lands have already been damaged, leading residents to fear of larger scale agricultural and environmental damages should the leaks continue. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- Hundreds of Israeli settlers, escorted by armed Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Palestinian village of Kifl Haris in the central occupied West Bank Salfit Governorate, where they performed religious rituals throughout the day. Hundreds of Israeli settlers escorted by the IOA entered the village in groups, visiting Islamic shrines in the area, claiming that they were Jewish religious sites. Israeli settlers also set up a tent and portable toilet in the center of the village. The IOA installed checkpoints at the entrance of the village around noon, preventing Palestinian traffic from passing through the village in order to "maintain a suitable atmosphere for settlers. ([Haaretz](#), Maannews 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Haris north of Salfit and detained a Palestinian man. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Palestinian village of Kifl Haris north of Salfit in the occupied West Bank, to secure the entry of a group of Israeli settlers who performed religious rituals at tombs in the area. Several Israeli military vehicles raided the village and fired stun grenades in the streets, preventing access to locals, and forcing shops to close. The IOA were deployed at the entrance of the town and searching passing Palestinian vehicles. (Maannews 26 April 2017)
- Violent clashes broke out in Kifl Hares town north of Salfit in protest against Israeli settlers' provocative break-ins. The confrontations erupted when Israeli occupation Army (IOA) broke into the village in order to provide protection for the settlers who were storming a

number of Islamic sites in the area. During the raids, a curfew was imposed on local residents while IOF soldiers fired teargas bombs at a local secondary school. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)

- Israeli bulldozers affiliated to Ariel industrial zone are razing lands and crushing stones in Batan al-Hamam area in Bruqin village, west of Salfit city. The Ariel industrial zone is expanding at the expense of agricultural land and fertile pastures around the clock. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- In the central West Bank Salfit Governorate, the IOA raided Yasuf village in the eastern part of Salfit Governorate, where they raided the village council's office and confiscated surveillance camera recorders. The IOA confiscated recorders of surveillance cameras claiming they wanted to see movement on the street over the past few days. (Maannews 28 April 2017)

## Tulkarem

- In the northern West Bank, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained 23 year-old Amer Nahid Sarouji from the Tulkarem refugee camp. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the Palestinian national basketball team player, Hamza Abdullah, 22 from Far'oun village in Tulkarem governorate. The IO soldiers stormed the player's home, blew up its doors and wreaked havoc inside. His father and brothers were detained for a while before arresting Hamza and taking him to an unknown destination. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- In Tulkarem, in the northern part of the West Bank, the Israeli soldiers invaded homes in Tulkarem refugee camp, searched them, and abducted a young man, identified as Amir Srouji, 23. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded, at dawn, several homes in different parts of Tulkarem governorate, in the northern part of the occupied West Bank, and abducted six Palestinians, after invading their homes and violently searching them. The IOA invaded and ransacked many homes, in various communities in the Governorate including in Tulkarem city, interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards, and abducted six. The abducted Palestinians have been identified as: Hani Adel Omar, 22, from Far'un village, south of Tulkarem, Ismael Ezzat Jaber, 24, from Nour Shams refugee camp, east of Tulkarem, Ramez Abdul-Hakim Oleyyan, from Nour

Shams refugee camp, east of Tulkarem, Emad Mahmoud Masharqa, 30, from Nour Shams refugee camp, east of Tulkarem, Ahmad Al-A'raj, 26, from Thannaba area, east of Tulkarem, and Bassam Mer'ey, 46, from Thannaba area, east of Tulkarem. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers leveled Palestinian lands alongside the road that connects Jubara checkpoint with Tulkarem-Qalqilyia road south of Tulkarem as a prelude to confiscating it. Paving works are also taking place in the area. The Israeli land-razing operations raised fear among locals over new Israeli confiscation plans in the area. The razed land belongs to Salim Mahmoud Omar and is cultivated with Olive Trees. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Baha' Imad Qa'dan, 25, from Tulkarem city after raiding his house in the city. (WAFa 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Rabee' Ahmad Farkh, 28, from Faroun village after raiding his house in the village. (WAFa 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Hatem Muhammad Ghanem, 49, from Deir Al Ghsoun village in Tulkarem, while in his work inside the 1948 lands. (WAFa 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped another Palestinian called Diya Qasido in Nur Shams refugee camp in Tulkarem after a violent raid on his home. (PALINFO 20 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)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian in the Tulkarem refugee camp in Tulkarem Governorate. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinians in their 20s from the West Bank Governorates of Tulkarem and Jenin. The IOA detained three Palestinians after raiding their family homes in Thanaba village to the east of Tulkarem. (WAFa 29 April 2017)

## **Nablus**

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) intelligence officers raided the house of the 17-year-old Ahmad Ghazal in the Jabal al-Tur area (also known as

- Mount Gerizim) in southern Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank and interrogated his family for more than an hour. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided and shut down the al-Bukhari bookstore in Nablus near An-Najah National University. The bookstore, which is owned by Alaa al-Terawi, would remain closed until May 31. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian young man from Zaatara checkpoint, south of Nablus. The arrestee was identified as the 35-year-old Mohamed Abu Za'bal, from Balata refugee camp, east of Nablus. Abu Za'bal is an ex-prisoner who had spent several years in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
  - A group of Israeli settlers attacked Palestinians in Huwara and Burin towns south of Nablus city in the northern West Bank. The Huwara attack took place close to Yitzhar settlement. (PALINFO 2 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)
  - 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)
  - The Israeli occupation Army (IOF) kidnapped a Palestinian youth from southern Nablus after they aggressively beat him. The IOA stopped a car driving near a flying checkpoint set up on the main access road to Jama'in town, south of Nablus, and forced a Palestinian youth out of the car. The arrestee, who is reportedly a native of the nearby Ourif town, tried to flee but was chased down and violently beaten by the Israeli soldiers. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
  - In the northern city of Nablus, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Islam al-Zbeidi and Muhammad al-Bukhari. (Maannews 7 April 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian young men from Sabastiya town north of Nablus city in the northern West Bank identified as Mohammad Hatem and Khalil Mohammad Ghazal. The IO troops, in several patrols, raided the town leading to clashes with Palestinian youths. The IOA fired tear gas and stun grenades in order to disperse the protesters. (PALINFO 7 April 2017)
- Four Palestinians were detained by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at Beit Furik checkpoint, east of Nablus. The four detainees were handcuffed by the IOA and forced to lie on the ground. (PALINFO 7 April 2017)
- In Nablus, in the northern part of the West Bank, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) abducted Islam Zobeidi, from his home in the University Street, and Mohammad al-Bokhari, from his home in the Schools Street. The invasion was carried out by dozens of soldiers, and targeted many neighborhoods in the city, especially the eastern and western areas, where the soldiers searched and ransacked many homes. (IMEMC 7 April 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers blocked off a road near the illegal Yizhar settlement in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus, holding signs that called for revenge on Palestinians. Some 30 Israeli settlers protested at the road under protection of armed Israeli occupation Army (IOA), blocking Palestinian cars from passing through. The settlers held signs reading “revenge” in Hebrew. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- Shvut Rachel settlers announced the building of a synagogue, a spiritual center for the settlement. Prayer halls for Ashkenazi and Sephardic worshipers alike, as well as a well-equipped religious library, will be included. G-d willing, the new synagogue will be built in a spacious building which should accommodate all worshipers. Settlers received the various building permits, as well as plans for the architectural construction, and the approval of the regional council, and all the other necessary permits. Settlers also established a fund under the name of “Beit Knesset Keva, Shvut Rachel,” with its own bank account and raised approximately a million Israeli shekels from the families who live in the settlement. (INN 9 April 2017)
- Hundreds of Israeli settlers under the cover of the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Sebastya village archeological site north of Nablus to celebrate Passover. (Wafa 12 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. (WAFSA 13 April 2017)
- Israeli military patrols stormed Nablus and searched dozens of Palestinian homes near An-Najah Campus, before they subjected their inhabitants to intensive questioning. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) patrol stormed Palestinian apartments in the area after they smashed all the entrance doors in the hunt for university students. The soldiers further ravaged Palestinian commercial shops and seized surveillance cameras. (PALINFO 16 April 2017)
- Lecturer at An-Najah University Dr. Mustafa al-Shanar was rushed to a hospital after Israeli soldiers broke into his family home at the crack of dawn and wreaked havoc on the building. (PALINFO 16 April 2016).
- A Palestinian young man from Abed family was kidnapped by the Israeli forces from Tel village, south of Nablus. The young man, a student at An-Najah University, was arrested on his way to an Israeli intelligence center in Hawara military camp, in southern Nablus. The IOF soldiers had stormed Abed's family home at the crack of dawn and handed him an interrogation writ. (PALINFO 16 April 2016)
- Violent clashes broke out between local residents and Jewish settlers after the latter set fire to olive fields in Burin village, south of Nablus in the occupied West Bank. The settlers tried to enter the village after they lit its nearby fields, prompting residents to use loudspeakers to call for repelling the attack and putting out the fires. Consequently, many residents clashed with the settlers in an attempt to fend them off before a large number of Israeli troops showed up, attacked the villagers and escorted the assailants out of the area. (PALINFO 16 April 2017)
- Tens of Israeli settlers raided Joseph tomb east of Nablus city under the cover of the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) to carry out Talmudic rituals. (WAFSA 16 April 2017)
- In Nablus Governorate, the Israeli occupation army continued, for the second consecutive day, to close the main road to Tell town with mounds of dirt and rocks. No reason was given for the closure of the road. This measure, however, forced Palestinian drivers to take longer routes in order to reach their destinations. (PALINFO 17 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)

- Clashes flared up in Nablus shortly after seven Israeli military patrols stormed the city at the crack of dawn and scoured residential neighborhoods, most notably Rafidia, to the west. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a main entrance to the village of Tell southwest of Nablus city in the northern occupied West Bank, providing no explanation for the closure to locals. An Israeli army patrol escorted military bulldozers to the southern entrance of the village, closing off the road with earth mounds. Israeli forces had recently set up several military checkpoints at a crossroads leading to Tell from its southern side, stopping Palestinians and searching their ID cards. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian ex-prisoner as he was passing through the Hawara military checkpoint, south of Nablus. The IOA deployed at Hawara checkpoint stopped the Palestinian citizen Mootassem Tayssir Samara, 40, while he was driving in the area, on his way back home from Ramallah. The Israeli soldiers inspected Samara's ID before they arrested him and dragged him to an unknown destination. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at dawn kidnapped a young man from his home in Balata al-Balad suburb, east of Nablus city in the West Bank. Israeli troops aboard military vehicles stormed the suburb and kidnapped Obadah Duwaikat, a student at an-Najah University. Israeli soldiers encircled the house of Duwaikat before raiding it and then bundled him into an armored detention vehicle and drove away. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- One Palestinian teenager was detained from the Nablus Governorate as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attempted to prevent worshipers from performing Friday prayers at the Beita crossroads south of Nablus city. The teen was identified as 16-year-old Muhammad Qassem Abu Mazen. Dozens of Palestinian worshipers from the villages of Beita, Osarin, Udala, and Aqraba had gathered at the crossroads to perform Friday prayers as a form of demonstration in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- More than 100 Israeli settlers raided the eastern side of Urif village south of Nablus city and clashed with Palestinians in the area. (Wafa 22 April 2017)
- 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, Badiyah Muhammad Hamdan, and a young man identified as Ahmad Yousif Uдах 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)
- Nearly ten Israeli patrols stormed Nablus city to the north of West Bank and surrounded the house of Imad Aghbar who was detained few days ago. Aghbar's house was violently stormed and searched during the raid, while his family members were threatened and assaulted by the IOA. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) carried out artillery exercises in Khirbet at-Tawil hamlet, east of Aqraba village in the West Bank Governorate of Nablus, with no regard to the safety of local residents. Hundreds of soldiers near the homes of Khirbet at-Tawil Bedouins and on the nearby eastern plains ahead of the drills. Loud explosions rocked their area throughout the night as a result of the firing of artillery shells in at-Tawil area. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Beit Dajan village east of Nablus city and started taking photos of new Palestinian houses in the village. The IOA forced Palestinian inhabitants to leave the house in order to take photos of the houses. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- In the Nablus Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Askar refugee camp and detained five Palestinians, identified as Muhammad al-Jiji, Muhammad al-Asmar, Jamil al-Aqra, Izz al-Din al-Aqra, and Ahmad Abed. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the new Askar refugee camp to the east and kidnapped five young men after ransacking their homes. The detainees were identified as Mahmoud al-Jabji, Mohamed

- al-Samri, Jamil al-Aqra, Izz al-Aqra and Ahmed Abed. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation troops stormed Qaryut village, south of Nablus, and embarked on randomly firing stun grenades to cause panic among the residents. No arrests were reported. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
  - Israeli military force raided Palestinian homes in Huwara village, south of Nablus, and kidnapped two young men. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
  - The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the home of 17-year-old Amjad Maher Saleh, and subjected his family members to exhaustive interrogation. The IOA cordoned off Saleh's family home in al-Quds Street, in Balata camp, east of Nablus, and cracked down on the inhabitants, sparking violent clashes in the area. Sounds of heavy bullet fire were detected all the way through the assault. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
  - Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian man near Huwwara checkpoint, south of Nablus in the West Bank. The IOA opened fire at the young man, who was not immediately identified, and injured him in the abdomen. The IOA denied access of Red Crescent medical teams to the site, adding that the soldiers took the injured man to an unknown destination. (Wafa 26 April 2017)
  - Israeli settlers burned a Palestinian car in Hawara town, south of Nablus. A group of Israeli settlers set fire to the car of the Palestinian citizen Mustafa al-Dhmeidi, from Hawara, reducing the vehicle to ashes. Surveillance cameras kept record of the arson attack and of the settlers' infiltration into the area. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
  - Violent clashes erupted after extremist settlers set fire to agricultural land in Burin village south of Nablus city in the northern West Bank. A group of settlers of a nearby settlement outpost torched olive trees and agricultural lands east of the town. Clashes broke out when the inhabitants rushed to the area in order to confront the attacking settlers. Meanwhile, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas canisters at the Palestinian protesters. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
  - Israeli settlers near the illegal settlement of Shave Shomron in the West Bank's Nablus Governorate stopped the car of Ali Qabaha, a resident of the village of Yaabad in Jenin, while he was driving near the settlement. Qabaha was admitted to the hospital after the settlers beat him up and damaged his car.
  - Hundreds of Israeli settlers traveled to Joseph's Tomb near the Balata refugee camp in the eastern part of Nablus City after midnight, under the protection of the Israeli army. More than 10 buses carrying Israeli

settlers arrived to Joseph's Tomb, where they performed religious rituals. Clashes had erupted between Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and dozens of Palestinians youths around the area. Soldiers used tear gas and stun grenades on the crowd of Palestinians. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 27 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained ex-prisoner Nasir Abu Thabet, from Beit Dajan, east of Nablus. The detainee is a student at the Faculty of Media at An-Najah University. He was released a couple of months ago from Israeli lock-ups. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation patrols stormed Asira al-Shamaliya village near Nablus and broke into the home of Munir al-Sabah in the hunt for his son, Mo'men. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Nasir Radwan Abu Thabet, a student at al-Najah University, after raiding and searching his home in the village of Beit Dajan in eastern Nablus. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the home of 16-year-old Saleh Omar Saleh and interrogated the teenager's family members. Saleh, a resident of the Balata refugee camp. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Clashes erupted at the Beita crossroads south of Nablus city in the northern West Bank following Friday prayers. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired dozens of tear-gas bombs and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinians. More than ten Palestinians suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation while one youth was injured with a rubber-coated steel bullet. Among those who suffered tear-gas inhalation was a father of three prisoners, Hajj Ihsan Adili Abu Waddah. Citizen Jihad Ramadan was injured with a stun grenade in the leg. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the village of al-Naqura, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) following Friday prayers. Several Palestinians suffered tear-gas inhalation. Several trees in the village caught on fire from tear-gas bombs and stun grenades fired by Israeli soldiers. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the Awarta village in southern Nablus, dozens of Palestinians took part in Friday prayers near the Huwwara Israeli military base. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired dozens of tear-gas bombs at Palestinians following prayers. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the New Askar area of Nablus, adjacent to the Askar refugee camp, one Palestinian suffered tear gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) . (Maannews 28 April 2017)

- A tear gas canister shot by Israeli occupation army (IOA) amid clashes in Beita village in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus ignited a fire in a market in the village and burned down more than eight warehouses. The fire was caused by tear gas canisters shot by the IOA at a warehouse that contained plastic and cardboard objects. Within a few minutes the fire was ignited in the warehouse, and later spread to more than eight other warehouses, causing all of them to burn down. One local merchant stated that the damages caused by the fire were estimated to be worth millions of shekels. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers attacked a Palestinian home in the village of Urif to the south of Nablus and injured the owner after physically attacking him. Israeli settlers residing in the illegal West Bank settlements attacked the home of Munir Suleiman and beat him up causing bodily injuries that required treatment in hospital. Following the incident, village residents confronted the settlers and clashed with Israeli soldiers who rushed to the scene to provide the settlers with protection. The soldiers showered the residents with tear gas and fired rubber-coated metal bullets at them injuring a 56-year-old Palestinian man. (Wafa 29 April 2017)
- In the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two students of al-Najah National University, identified by locals as Mumin Sabah from the village of Asira al-Shamaliya north of Nablus, and Osama Yamin from the village of Tell southwest of Nablus. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Rabi Khalid during a raid in Ein Beit al-Mai refugee camp west of Nablus, Asaad Marahil from Nablus city, and an unidentified Palestinian youth from the al-Qasaba area of Nablus' Old City. (Maannews 30 April 2017)

## Gaza

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on Palestinian lands in the southern Gaza Strip. IOA deployed behind the border fence, in eastern Rafah city, opened fire at Palestinian agricultural lands in the area. No injuries were reported. (IMEMC 2 April 2017)
- Two armored Israeli bulldozers, three tanks and bulldozers, stationed at a military base across the border fence, invaded Palestinian agricultural lands, east of Jabalia, in the northern part of the coastal region, while Israeli planes also sprayed lands with toxins. The soldiers advanced approximately 300 meters into the lands, and started

uprooting them, while firing many live rounds, forcing the Palestinians away, while military drones flew overhead. In addition, Israeli aircraft sprayed many areas of agricultural lands with toxins, in the eastern part of the besieged Gaza Strip, for the second consecutive day. The lands are planted with wheat, barley, Okra, melons, and several other types of plants that provided livelihood to many families. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)

- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the northern coast of Gaza. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- Israeli military vehicles conducted a “limited incursion” onto lands in eastern Jabaliya in northern Gaza Strip, with Israeli military bulldozers leveling lands in the area. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- Seven Israeli bulldozers entered dozens of meters into Beit Lahiya from the Israeli Zikim military site along the border with the besieged Gaza Strip. Israeli drones were also flying above the area at the time. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- A number of Israeli military jeeps rolled at noontime into Palestinian lands north of Beit Hanun town, in northern Gaza Strip. Israeli bulldozers moved into Palestinian lands north of the blockaded Gaza Strip. Israeli drones were seen flying over the territory throughout the incursion. The infiltration is another chain in the series of Israel’s violations of the truce deal struck with the Palestinian resistance in the wake of the Israeli offensive on the besieged coastal enclave of Gaza in the summer of 2014. (PALINFO 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers in al-Fakhari town, in southern Gaza Strip. Israeli patrols deployed at a military watchtower east of Khan Younis attacked Palestinian farmers in al-Fakhari town with gunfire. (PALINFO 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army closed off the access roads to the West Bank and Gaza Strip on the occasion of the Jewish Passover holiday. The closure is to remain in effect for one week so as to allow Israeli settlers to mark the seven-day Passover. Other Israeli military patrols have been deployed across flashpoints and main entrances to occupied Jerusalem and the West Bank. Palestinians will be denied access out of and into 1948 Occupied Palestine (Israel), the West Bank, and Gaza crossings all the way through the seven-day ban. At the early morning hours, the Israeli occupation authorities blocked off Beit Hanun (Erez) and Karem Abu Salem border crossings with Gaza. Families of Gazan detainees have also been banned from visiting their siblings in Israeli jails. The Israeli police further banned a number of Islamic activists

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- Israeli authorities prevented the head of the Palestinian Federation of Chile, Anwar Makhoul, who holds Chilean citizenship, from entering the country through the King Hussein (Allenby) Bridge border crossing between Jordan and the occupied West Bank. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians allegedly after attempting to cross the Gazan border into Israel's Eshkol Regional Council bordering the besieged enclave. The detainees were subsequently transferred to the Shin Bet, Israel's internal security agency, for interrogations. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) showered eastern al-Qarara in southern Gaza Strip with gunfire shortly before they kidnapped two Palestinian young men near the border fence. Israeli soldiers deployed at the Kissufim military base opened fire at eastern al-Qarara town, in eastern Khan Younis, at the same time as Israeli military patrols raked through Palestinian lands near the border fence, separating the blockaded Gaza Strip from 1948 Occupied Palestine (Green Line). (PALINFO 12 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)

- 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 naval forces opened fire on Palestinian fishermen off the coast of the northern Gaza Strip. The Israeli naval boats opened machine gun fire at fishing boats while they were sailing three nautical miles into the sea, inside the boundaries of the six nautical mile limit set by Israel. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- A number of Israeli military vehicles conducted a limited incursion into Palestinian lands east of al-Bureij refugee camp in the central Gaza Strip. Four Israeli military vehicles, including bulldozers, crossing through a gate in the border fence and proceed to level lands. No gunfire was reported. (Maannews 16 April 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the coast of Beit Lahiya in the northwestern Gaza Strip. Palestinian fishermen were forced to head back to shore "in fear for their lives," after Israeli forces opened fire at them. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- Four Israeli bulldozers coming from the Sufa military site east of Rafah city in southern Gaza passed the border area and razed and leveled lands near the border fence as drones were flying overhead. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- A number of Israeli military vehicles launched a limited incursion into the eastern areas of Gaza's central governorate. Six Israeli military bulldozers rolled into eastern al-Bureij camp before they headed southwards. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on Palestinian agricultural lands and shepherds in the southern and central Gaza Strip. The IOA opened fire on Palestinian shepherds while they were grazing their livestock along the eastern border area of Johur Addik, in central Gaza. No injuries were reported. The IOA also targeted agricultural land to the east of al-'Amour neighbourhood to the south east of Khan Younis city, in the southern Gaza Strip, with gunfire. (IMEMC 22 April 2017)

- Israeli navy boats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the coast of Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip, forcing the fishermen to head back to shore "in fear for their lives,". No injuries were reported. (Maanews 26 April 2017)
- Israeli military Army deployed east of Deir Balah, in central Gaza Strip, struck Palestinian sites with artillery shells. Two artillery shells were fired by the Israeli army causing heavy material damage. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened live fire at Palestinian fishing boats and Palestinians off the coast of the northern Gaza Strip, near al-Sudaniyyeh and forced them back to the shore. (Maanews 29 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities will implement a closure on the occupied West Bank and besieged Gaza Strip beginning Saturday night for "Israel's independence day". The closure, will be in effect until Tuesday night. Severe restrictions on movement for Palestinians are typically implemented by Israeli authorities during Jewish holidays for alleged security purposes. (Maanews 29 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation army (IOA) infiltrated the borders with Gaza and razed agricultural land to the northeast of the town of Qarara, north of Khan Younis city, in the southern Gaza Strip. Israeli military patrols stationed along the borderline area infiltrated the borders between the besieged Gaza Strip and Israel, while firing in all directions, and razed land situated to the northeast of Qarara town. No injuries were reported. (Wafa 30 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation navy kidnapped two fishermen off the coast of the Gaza Strip and confiscated their boat. Israeli gunboats encircled and opened fire at a fishing boat off the northern shores of Gaza, rounded up two fishermen aboard it and towed it to an unknown place. The seized boat belongs to Adnan Abu Rayyala and the two detained fishermen are his sons, Sha'ban, 33, and Mohamed, 20. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened machinegun fire at a border watch post east of Deir al-Balah in central Gaza. Israeli troops opened fire intensively at the observation post. No one was injured. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army launched a limited incursion into eastern al-Qarara, south of the blockaded Gaza Strip. A number of Israeli army vehicles and bulldozers deployed at Kissufim military base moved into Palestinian cultivate lands east of al-Qarara town, north of Khan Younis. The Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian land lots all the way through the infiltration. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

## Others

- Israeli authorities prevented the head of the Palestinian Federation of Chile, Anwar Makhoul, who holds Chilean citizenship, from entering the country through the King Hussein (Allenby) Bridge border crossing between Jordan and the occupied West Bank. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
- Israeli Ofer court decided to release the Palestinian MP Samira Halaiqa on a bail. However, the Israeli prosecution appealed against the court's decision and demanded its reconsideration. The Israeli prosecution's appeal prevented Al Halayqa release for the second consecutive time. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)
- The Hebrew newspaper Haaretz revealed that the number of the Jews who migrated to Israel from the United States and France has sharply fallen in the recent months. 309 Jews arrived in Israel from the United States during the first three months of 2017, which is 25% less than the 413 immigrants who migrated to Israel in the same period in 2016. According to the Israeli Ministry of Immigrant Absorption, there was a 29% decline in the number of the Jews from France between January and March 2017. The number of the Jews who arrived in Israel reached 559, a number that is considered high compared with other countries, but it is far lower than the number of the Jews coming from France in the same period in 2016, which amounted to 782. Overall, during the first three months of 2017, Israel has absorbed 5,311 Jews from all over the world, which is 6% less than the number of the immigrants who came in the same period in 2016. The only country that has an increasing percentage of immigrants is Russia. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation authorities announced that the occupied West Bank will be sealed by the Israeli military for more than a week this month to mark the Jewish holiday of Pesah. The closure begins at midnight on Sunday, April 9, until midnight on Monday, April 17th. All crossings between Israel, Gaza, and the West Bank would be closed "except for special circumstances and humanitarian cases." (Maannews 8 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) issued 24 administrative sentences against Palestinian detainees, with neither charge nor trial. The administrative sentences were issued for Prisoners Youssef Abdul Rahim Khatib, from Occupied Jerusalem, Mazen al-Natsheh and Fadi Sourour from Hebron, Ibrahim Dahbour, from Jenin, and Moussa Sawarka, from Bethlehem, along with Ramallah natives Kifah Kizmar and Mahmoud Namer, were all sentenced to a six-month

administrative term. The others received four-month and three-month administrative sentences. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)

- Five volunteer jeep owners from settlements near Ma'aleh Adumim, east of Jerusalem, are watching the Bedouin encampments in the area to thwart any construction while Civil Administration inspectors are on Passover vacation. They answered the call of a group known as the Jerusalem Periphery Forum. According to a forum activist who asked to remain anonymous, the five are working in shifts of a few hours each. On weekends, when the Civil Administration inspectors are also off duty, Yariv Aharoni of Kfar Adumim, and the forum's coordinator of issues involving land, is the inspector. However, during Passover week, Aharoni is on partial vacation and so the forum called for volunteer backup. The Jerusalem Periphery Forum includes representatives of the settlements of Alon, Kfar Adumim, Nofei Prat and Mitzpeh Yeriho, and a representative of the Binyamin Regional Council. According to the activist, the forum works "against the illegal Palestinian-European construction in this area and along Route 1 between Jerusalem and the Dead Sea." Aharoni is the only member of the forum who is on salary. He also operates a multicopter drone that the forum purchased a few years ago, and uses it to take aerial photos of the Bedouin encampments. According to the forum activist, during Purim vacation two years ago, the Bedouin put up 22 prefabricated dwellings in various encampments, which the official called "outposts." Those structures were donated by European organizations. After that, the forum decided to fund special manpower from the settlements to oversee what was happening in the encampments. The oversight, according to the forum activist, serves as a deterrent, even if not every structure built without a permit is discovered in real time. The volunteers in their jeeps immediately report any deviation to the Civil Administration and the police, so that even if someone built, it will be destroyed immediately without the need to be dragged to High Court of Justice petitions," he said. "The European Union also understands that this is a wasted investment for it and [its representatives] go build elsewhere," he added. According to the activist, the forum counts 2016 as a signal success because it was the first year ending with a net minus in the number of Bedouin structures erected – "20 fewer than in 2015." The activist said the forum was working "to increase enforcement of the Civil Administration and mainly to move the Bedouin to the permanent towns the state is planning for them. We work mainly through parliamentary and extra-parliamentary activities and public pressure. But in the end, it is the

decision of the prime minister and the defense minister.” About 20 Bedouin communities have been living for decades in the area east of Jerusalem, even before the settlements were founded. When the settlements were established, the Bedouin’s herding space was restricted and some of the communities were expelled to allow the settlement of Ma’aleh Adumim to expand. Israel developed master plans for the settlements, but did not permit even one encampment to connect to water and electricity lines or build clinics and schools. Lacking a master plan, any structure, even a toilet or solar panels, is considered illegal. For the past decade, the Civil Administration has said it will be concentrating the Bedouin in permanent towns near the Palestinian Authority’s jurisdiction, such as the town established near the Abu Dis garbage dump. The Bedouin oppose the move to permanent towns and the European Union has defined this plan, including demolitions and construction bans, as forced uprooting, which is prohibited by international law. ([Haaretz](#) 12 April 2017)

- Israel's top court ordered an immediate halt to any construction in the illegal outpost of Kerem Re'im in the central West Bank. This includes any marketing or promotion of this illegal construction. Several dozen families live in the outpost, which lies near the settlement of Talmon, within the jurisdiction of the Binyamin Regional Council.
- According to the petition, filed by Peace Now, 20 additional illegal buildings are under construction at this outpost. In response to the petition Justice Yoram Danziger issued a stop-work order forbidding any further work in the buildings mentioned in the petition or any transactions related to these structures and their population.
- According to the petition, the state had previously promoted an urban building plan for the area but this was never completed. Peace Now says there are currently 38 structures on the site, in addition to the 20 under construction, and that the regional council is supporting and encouraging this outpost.
- For example, the petition notes the Facebook page of Binyamin Regional Council chairman Avi Roeh, who is also the head of the Yesha (Judea and Samaria) settlers council. There he describes a visit he conducted to the outpost with Knesset Speaker Yuli Edelstein.
- State attorneys asked that the petition be dismissed, stressing that the area on which the outpost stood was state-owned land, and that there was an earlier plan to retroactively legitimize the outpost. The state noted that all the illegal structures in the outpost were on state-owned land, and that many previous orders had been given to stop construction there, but none were heeded. ([Haaretz](#) 12 April 2017)

- Israel Prison Service (IPS) raided Section 10 of Nafha prison where they assaulted Palestinian prisoners and reportedly threw one prisoner in solitary confinement for “inciting prisoners” to join an upcoming mass hunger strike for Palestinian Prisoners’ Day. The IPS forces raided the section and targeted Palestinian prisoner Nasser Salah, a resident of the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem who is serving a life sentence. The IPS forces assaulted Salah, who delivers the weekly Friday sermon to Muslim prisoners, and transferred him to solitary confinement after officials accused him of “inciting and encouraging prisoners” to join a mass hunger strike, organized by the Fatah movement, that is to be launched on April 17. (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- Maariv newspaper said that 200 Palestinian towns and villages in Area C of the West Bank suffer from serious water scarcity and are isolated from the Israeli water network. According to the Israeli newspaper, the water crisis in these Palestinian areas has coincided with shrinking water resources in the Palestinian Authority territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. It highlighted the water crisis in Gaza, saying its network of water resources are collapsing, especially due to the increasing salinity levels in its aquifer as seawater are seeping in from the Mediterranean. Haaretz described the water problem in Gaza as one of the factors that would lead the fragile situation in the besieged enclave to explode. The Oslo Accords, which were signed between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), has granted Israel control over the West Bank’s water sources and discriminates in how the water is divided. Under the agreements, Israel gets 80 percent of the water from the West Bank mountain aquifer (one of three underground resources shared by Israelis and Palestinians), while the rest goes to the Palestinians. The agreements also set no limit on the amount of water Israel can take, but limits the Palestinians to 118 million cubic meters from the wells that existed prior to the accords, and another 70 million to 80 million cubic meters from new drilling. However, for various technical reasons and unexpected drilling failures in the eastern basin of the aquifer (the only place the agreement allows the Palestinians to drill), the Palestinians produce less water than the agreements set. According to B’Tselem, as of 2014, the Palestinians are only getting 14 percent of the aquifer’s water. (PALINFO 15 April 2017)
- Thousands of Palestinian detainees in Israeli jails are expected to go on a mass hunger strike on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2017 in protest at Israel’s infringement of their human rights. A mass hunger strike is to kick off

in Israeli jails to mark the Prisoner’s Day and speak up against the Israeli crackdowns and torture tactics perpetrated against the Palestinian detainees. (PALINFO 16 April 2017)

- Israel’s security services have used the internet to thwart hundreds of potential terror attacks in less than a year, with the Shin Bet security service and Military Intelligence stopping 2,200 Palestinians at various stages of planning and preparing for attacks, mostly stabbings and car-rammings. The Israel Defense Forces and Shin Bet arrested more than 400 of these would-be perpetrators, and some were put on trial. The names of a similar number were passed on to the Palestinian Authority, which arrested them and warned them against planning attacks on Israel. The rest received warning conversations from the Shin Bet and IDF, or sometimes their parents did. For more information, click to read full report, ([Haaretz](#) 16 April 2017)
- More than 1,500 Palestinians -- including hundreds of women and middle- and high-school students -- demonstrated in Bethlehem in support of the estimated 6,300 Palestinians currently held in Israeli prisons. Demonstrators expressed support for the “Freedom and Dignity” prisoner hunger strike which began earlier on Monday, bringing together as many as 1,600 prisoners from across the Palestinian political spectrum under the aegis of imprisoned Fatah leader Marwan Barghouthi. The march began at the Bab al-Zqaq intersection between Bethlehem and the town of Beit Jala, and made its way towards Israel’s illegal separation wall north of Bethlehem. As a smaller number of demonstrators approached the Israeli military base located directly adjacent to Jerusalem-Hebron road in Bethlehem, Israeli soldiers fired tear gas, sound bombs, and sponge-tipped bullets towards the crowd. A number of demonstrators suffered from excessive tear gas inhalation. At least one Palestinian get hit by a sponge-tipped bullet, while another such bullet hit a truck which was trying to pass through the area. Israeli soldiers used “crowd control measures” [to disperse a “violent riot”](#) in Bethlehem. (Maannews 17 April 2017)
- Israeli Prison Service (IPS) officials took a series of punitive measures against the participating prisoners, particularly those leading the “Freedom and Dignity” prisoner hunger strike. The IPS officials forcibly moved hunger-striking prisoners to different sections in Israeli jails, confiscated their personal belongings and clothes, “turned their rooms into solitary confinements,” and banned the prisoners from watching TV. The IPS officials transferred Marwan Barghouthi -- the Fatah movement leader leading the strike -- [Karim Yunis](#) and

Mahmoud Abu Srou were transferred from Hadarim prison to solitary confinement in Jalama prison IPS officials also transferred hunger-striking prisoners Muhammad Zawahra, Nasser Ewis and Anas Jaradat to Israel's Ela prison in the southern Negev desert, though it remained unclear where they were transferred from. The IPS said that Barghouthi "will be prosecuted in a discipline court" as punishment for his [op-ed published by the New York Times](#), which detailed the struggle of Palestinian political prisoners in Israeli prisons and the demands of the hunger strikers. For more information, click to read full report, ([Maannews](#) 17 April 2017)

- More than 1,600 Palestinian prisoners in Israeli custody launched an open-ended mass hunger strike on Palestinian Prisoners' Day, led by imprisoned Fatah leader Marwan Barghouthi, under the banner of "Freedom and Dignity" for prisoners. Prisoners had purged all food products from their cells and shaved their heads in [Israel prisons from the north to the south](#), namely in the Gilboa, Hadarim, Ashkelon, Ktziot, Nafha, and Ramon prisons. A mass hunger strike started calling for basic needs and rights of prisoners in an attempt to put an end to the practice of arbitrary administrative detention, torture, ill-treatment, unfair trials, detention of children, medical negligence, solitary confinement, inhuman/degrading treatment, deprivation of basic rights such as family visits and the right to education." For more information, click to read full report: ([Maannews](#) 17 April 2017)
- Thousands of Christian followers of the Orthodox and Catholic faiths from all over the world, gathering at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem's Old City, celebrated Easter Holy Saturday with the emergence of the holy fire from the location of the tomb believed to be that of Jesus Christ. Only a few privileged Palestinian Christians, mainly those living in East Jerusalem or Israel, were able to attend the celebrations. Thousands of their brethren from the locked West Bank and Gaza Strip, only few kilometers away from Jerusalem, were not able to attend them. Israel does not allow Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza to reach the wall-in East Jerusalem without special army issued permits. As with every year, Israel issued a number of permits for West Bank and Gaza Christians to enter Jerusalem during Easter. But, then, it imposed a week-long closure on the occupied territories for the Jewish Passover holiday, which coincided with Easter celebrations, thus deeming all permits void for this week. At the same time, Israeli police set up blockades around the Old City of Jerusalem and the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, preventing thousands of pilgrims from reaching their holy sites. Greek Orthodox Patriarch

Theophilos III emerged from the recently renovated tomb, known as the Edicule, with lit candle sticks to indicate the appearance of what Christians of all sects call the holy light. Once the patriarch has emerged from the tomb, the thousands waiting since the morning hours and carrying candles lit them from the holy fire. The light is then taken to churches around the country and the world. Christians marked, on Friday, the annual Easter Good Friday procession with thousands of pilgrims from all over the world congregating on Jerusalem to walk the path Jesus Christ had walked to his crucifixion. Easter will be celebrated on Sunday. Orthodox and Catholic churches mark Easter, this year, at the same time when, usually, each mark it a different time from the other.

- 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)
- 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)

- Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails are waging a mass hunger strike for the third consecutive day to protest their dire detention conditions. The mass hunger strike, which started as of April 17, comes in response to the mistreatment Palestinians have been subjected to in Israeli lock-ups. Some 1,500 prisoners joined the hunger strike to speak up against the Israeli visit-bans, medical neglect, solitary confinement, and administrative detention. The hunger strike follow-up committee warned of a series of punitive measures opted for by the Israeli prison service (IPS) so as to crack down on the detainees and force them to throw in the towel. ([PALINFO](#) 19 April 2017)
- Israeli authorities held increasing numbers of Palestinian children in solitary confinement for longer periods in 2016, for interrogation purposes. Defense for Children International - Palestine collected affidavits from 161 West Bank children detained by Israeli forces and prosecuted under the jurisdiction of Israeli military courts during 2016. Of these children, 25 were held in solitary confinement for interrogation purposes for an average period of 16 days, a 23 percent increase over the previous year. The longest period of isolation for a child that DCIP documented in 2016 was 29 days. In 2015, DCIP documented a total of 15 children held in solitary confinement by Israeli authorities for interrogation purposes. The 25 children were all boys aged between 15 and 17 years old, including 17 children aged 17 years, 5 children aged 16 years, and three children aged 15 years. For more information, click to read full report: ([DCIP](#) 20 April 2017)
- Some 1,500 Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails are going on a mass hunger strike for the fifth consecutive day in order to protest their dire detention conditions. The mass hunger strike, which started on April 17, comes in response to the mistreatment Palestinians have been subjected to in Israeli lock-ups. Striking detainees were moved to isolation sections in several jails and were held under very tough conditions after withdrawing their private properties other than cover sheets and clothes. 70 striking captives were transferred to Ramleh

Prison, 40 others to Hadarim jail and 30 to each of Nafha, Rimon and Ashkelon jails. The IPS is still banning lawyers from visiting the hunger strikers in order not to document the violations perpetrated in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)

- 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)
- Israeli occupation authorities have notified Israeli travel agencies that they will be forced to sign a commitment pledging not to take groups of tourists to the occupied West Bank. In the Hebrew-language document dated April 23, the Border Control Department of the Israeli Population and Immigration Authority notifies travel agencies that as of May 15, Palestinians will have to "attach, with each request to bring a group of tourists into the country, a special form pledging that they will not send tourists to Judea and Samaria," using the Israeli term for the occupied West Bank. The document only addresses Israeli tourism agencies, and not individual would-be tourists. The forms must be signed and sent to one of three Population and Immigration Authority email addresses listed in the document. The document warns tourism agencies that their requests to bring groups of tourists would "not be processed" if the pledge was not signed and attached. For more information, click to read full article. ([Maannews](#) 25 April 2017)
- The head of the Civil Administration, Brig. Gen. Ahvat Ben Hur, issued a warning to the Arab residents of the village of Bardala that the Civil Administration and the Water Authority has launched an extensive enforcement operation to locate water thefts and to cut off illegal water connections to the village. The operation began following the theft of water by residents of the village, which affects all residents of the Jordan Valley. Water meant for Jewish farmers is siphoned off in the village, but Arab farmers suffer as well. "The villages of Bardala, Kardala and Ein Elbica receive 12,000 cubic meters of water from the Israeli side every day, of which 11,200 cubic meters a day are illegally stolen by Bardala residents," wrote Brig. Gen. Ben Hur. "The meaning of this is that the villagers' water is stolen by no one other than the

Palestinian residents themselves! The Civil Administration has begun a large-scale operation to combat this grave phenomenon. The Civil Administration, in the year since Brig. Gen. Ben Hur assumed command, has formulated a long term plan, in cooperation with the Water Authority, which will provide a solution for all the residents of the area and will include the expansion of water infrastructure and the operation of new wells. Within the framework of the plan, the Civil Administration approved the immediate operation of the Ariel, Jericho 5 and Booster water wells, which constitute an additional 19,000 cubic meters of water per day for the residents of Judea and Samaria. In addition, the Civil Administration is promoting additional solutions in the field, which are expected to be implemented before the summer. Sources in the Civil Administration say that the phenomenon of water thefts by residents of Bardala village significantly harms Israeli and Arab residents, and enforcement is expected to prevent thefts, which currently sit at 2.6 million cubic meters of water annually. Yehuda Reines, an Israeli farmer in the Jordan Valley, told *Arutz Sheva* that as a result of the illegal water siphoning, many Jewish farms in the northern valley area were without water last week, leaving thousands of acres completely dry. ([INN](#) 26 April 2017)

## Monthly Violations Statistics – April 2017

Governorate	Land Confiscated (Dunums)	Lands Threatened of Confiscation (Dunums)	Uprooted Trees/ Burnt trees	Demolished Houses	Demolished structures	Houses threatened of Demolition	Israeli settlers violence
Bethlehem	125	0	100	0	0	11	4
Jerusalem	1.3	100	0	20	12	9	14
Jenin	30	0	0	0	1	4	2
Tulkarem	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	310	0	6	7	3
Nablus	0	0	0	0	1	0	16
Salfit	0	0	168	3	7	7	6
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Qalqilyah	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	0	0	0	0	0	6	10
Tubas	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>186.3</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>58</b>