



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt

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The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats in the occupied Palestinian territory, the confiscation and razing of lands, the uprooting and destruction of fruit trees, the expansion of settlements and erection of outposts, the brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army, the Israeli settlers violence against Palestinian civilians and properties, the erection of checkpoints, the construction of the Israeli segregation wall and the issuance of military orders for the various Israeli purposes.

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and/or news sources.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and killed a Palestinian protester and injured at least seven others with live fire in the besieged Gaza Strip. Clashes erupted east of Khan Yunis in the southern Gaza Strip when Israeli soldiers opened live fire at the demonstrators. The 25-year-old Fadi Ibrahim al-Najar was shot dead with a live bullet. Two other Palestinian demonstrators were injured with live bullets. (Maannews 7 June 2017)

- Five Palestinians were wounded with live fire when clashes erupted in the northern occupied West Bank city of Qalqilya during a predawn detention raid. Three Palestinians were shot and injured with live bullets in their lower extremities and two others were injured with shrapnel during the clashes in Qalqilya. During the raid, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained 29-year-old Muhammad Abdullah Abu Khadija and took him to unknown location. Another unidentified Palestinian was also detained during the Qalqilya raid. (Maannews 7 June 2017)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, three Palestinians were detained, identified as Tayser Abu Mayala, Ibrahim Muhammad Ali, and 18-year-old Ahmad al-Zaaqiq, in the village Khamat al-Maiyya. (Maannews 7 June 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a protest in the southern occupied West Bank city in Hebron on Tuesday, launched to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Israel's occupation of East Jerusalem, the West Bank, and the Gaza Strip. The protest march headed from the northern entrance of Hebron city towards Road 35 that leads to the town of Halhul, when the IOA fired stun grenades at demonstrators and assaulted local human rights activist Emad Abu Shamsiya. (Maannews 7 June 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked morning Palestinian farmers while working in their agricultural lands in Qusra village south of Nablus. The IOA stormed the village accompanied with Civil Administration crews and attacked a group of farmers in the area. The IOA also confiscated their agricultural equipment. (PALINFO 7 June 2017)
- A number of Palestinians suffered Gas inhalation as the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired teargas bombs at Palestinians in Beit Einun village north of Hebron city. (Maannews 7 June 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian in the village of al-Jalama in the Jenin Governorate. (Maannews 7 June 2017)
- several Israeli army patrols stormed Nablus city and cordoned off the home of prisoner Adnan Osfour in al-Makhfiya area before they ravaged the building and kidnapped his son Mohamed, aged 21 and enrolled at An-Najah University. Violent clashes burst out in the area, where the Israeli soldiers fired bullets and teargas canisters at the Palestinian protesters. The 53-year-old Adnan Asfour has been held administratively, without charge or trial, in Israeli jails for 14 months

running. He has spent a total of over 12 years in Israeli prisons. (PALINFO 7 June 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Jihad Ismael Masaaed from Tubas. (Maannews 7 June 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained the 19-year-old Thaer Osama Abu Arab from Jenin. (Maannews 7 June 2017).
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian in Beit Ur al-Tahta in the Governorate of Ramallah. (Maannews 7 June 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Radwan Fawaqa, from Dura al-Qar in the Ramallah Governorate at Israel's Qalandiya checkpoint. (Maannews 7 June 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian in the town of Hizma in the West Bank's Jerusalem Governorate identified as 21-year-old Muhammad Rashid Salah al-Din and the 20-year-old Amir Mahmoud from Jerusalem city. (Maannews 7 June 2017).
- Israeli police detained a 19-year-old Palestinian from the occupied East Jerusalem town of Issawiya based on posts he made to his Facebook and Instagram accounts, amid a severe crackdown by Israeli authorities on Palestinian freedom expression. (Maannews 7 June 2017).
- Five Palestinians were detained in the Jerusalem area, who were identified as Yaqoub al-Shawish, Muhammad al-Shawish, Mumen al-Hashim, and Nihad al-Zghayyar -- detained on his return to Jerusalem after traveling abroad, and 27-year-old Muhammad Nihad Khadour who was detained in the village of Biddu. (Maannews 7 June 2017).
- During a raid in the central occupied West Bank village of Kafr al-Dik in the Salfit Governorate, 19-year-old Karam Saber al-Dik was detained by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA). (Maannews 7 June 2017).
- In the southern occupied West Bank city of Bethlehem, the Israeli army detained two Palestinians who were identified as Salim Mahmoud Nawawreh and Fadi Samir Ghazzawi. (Maannews 7 June 2017).
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) assaulted local Palestinians in Qusra village and confiscated a tractor owned by the Municipality. The assaulted Palestinians were identified as Muhamamd Abu Mershed and Mahmoud Abu Hamza. (ARN 7 June 2017).

Israeli Settler Violence

- A group of settlers from Israel's illegal Nufim settlement erected an outpost on Palestinian lands in the Khirbet Shihada area in the eastern outskirts of the village of Deir Istiya in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit. The settlers erected 13 tents and a number of

wooden caravans on Palestinian land owned by residents of Deir Istiya. A road equipped with electricity and lights was previously built to connect Nufim to the Palestinian lands where the outpost was then constructed. (Maannews 7 June 2017).

- A group of Jewish settlers set fire to large swathes of land in Burin vilage, south of Nablus in the occupied West Bank. The fire spread over vast tracts of land on the Mount of Salman near the illegal settlement of Har Bracha. The settlers started the fire shortly before the sunset adhan (call to prayer) and fled to a settlement post located on the same mount. (PALINFO 7 June 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers coming from Neve Daniel settlement stole 12 steel profiles from a 3-dunums piece of land owned by Ibrahim Dadoud Musa in Al Faghour area in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem. (ARN 7 June 2017)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) threatened to demolish structures used to protect spring water against contamination in the eastern Palestinian village of Barta'a, which is isolated by Israel's separation wall in the south of Jenin city. Employees from the Israeli water authority escorted by Israeli troops stormed al-Nab'ah area in the village and threatened to remove structures used at the site to protect the spring. Barta'a Cooperative Association for Drinking Water and Lighting had carried out a project to protect the spring from the wastewater that comes from Katzir settlement, which was built illegally on annexed land in the area. Al-Nab'ah area is considered the main water supply to Barta'a, but Israel prevents the locals from establishing any water project in Area C of the West Bank and removes any related structures at the pretext of unlicensed construction. (PALINFO 7 June 2017)

Expansion of settlements

- Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has iterated his support for the settlement enterprise, saying, "I have the right, after decades, to be the first prime minister to build a new community in Judea and Samaria." Speaking at a ceremony Tuesday commemorating the Six Day War and [settlement in the West Bank](#), Netanyahu referred to the two most pressing issues for settlers—the building taking place today and the possibility that they could be evacuated from their homes as part of an agreement with the Palestinians. "No one will be uprooted from their home, I'm doing everything to protect the settlement enterprise," said

Netanyahu, adding, "We decided to build in all parts of Judea and Samaria and we are building both inside and outside the settlements." Netanyahu's statements on building inside and outside of settlements echo a plan put forward by Minister of Housing and Construction, Yoav Galant (Kulanu), who proposed 67,000 apartments in the West Bank in order to deal with the real estate crisis in the Tel Aviv metropolitan area. A call by the settler leadership for massive construction in the West Bank in response to the real estate crisis in the center of the country is nothing new, but the plan presented Tuesday in the Knesset was put together in cooperation with Galant, who was thoroughly involved in planning the details. As part of the plan, the Yesha Council commissioned a panel of experts to map out the total amount of vacant land available for construction in the area between Karnei Shomron in the north, through the city of Ariel and up to Modi'in. The panel ultimately determined that the western area of the West Bank could immediately accommodate the construction of some 67,000 housing units, in which no less than 340,000 people could live. The new plan claims that the target price for a four-room apartment in the same area will be NIS 1.2 million. Proponents of the plan hope the construction in the "eastern Dan region" will lead to a drop in demand and price in the "real" Dan region. ([YNETNEWS](#) 7 June 2017)

- An Israeli panel approved [plans](#) on Tuesday for the first [new Jewish settlement](#) in the West Bank in two decades, Israeli media reports said, drawing Palestinian condemnation and defying repeated international appeals to avoid such measures. The plan includes 100 new housing units in the new West Bank settlement of Amichai, intended for the evacuated settlers of Amona. If confirmed, the plans, which media said also envisage the construction of some 1,800 other settler homes in the West Bank, are likely to deliver a further serious blow to efforts to revive the moribund Israeli-Palestinian peace process. At the order of the political echelon, the Supreme Planning Council of the Civil Administration has not convened since February because of Prime Minister Netanyahu's instructions shortly after the swearing-in of US President Donald Trump. Plans will also be placed in the settlements of Ma'aleh Adumim, Ma'ale Michmash, Neve Tzuf, Pnei Hever, Einav, Beit El and Kfar Tapuach. A spokeswoman for the military-run Civil Administration in the West Bank of which the panel is a part declined to comment on the reports. Peace Now, an Israeli anti-settlement group that monitors settlement activity in the West Bank, could not immediately confirm the reports, but said the panel was due to discuss further building plans for the territory on Wednesday. The reported move follows an Israeli government decision in March to build the new settlement, known as Amichai. It will house some 300 settlers evicted

in February from the former settlement of Amona. Israel's Supreme Court ordered the removal of the Amona settlers after ruling that their homes had been built illegally on privately-owned Palestinian land. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu pledged to re-house them at a new site in the West Bank. The negotiations leading up to the evacuation was fraught with [conflict](#), though eventually evacuation forces managed to finish clearing the settlement [without serious injuries or loss of life](#). According to the media reports, the panel approved plans to build 102 homes at the Amichai site for the Amona settlers. Plans for another 1,800 housing units in several existing settlements were also ratified, the reports said. Palestinians, who seek to establish a state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip with east Jerusalem as its capital, reacted angrily to the reports. "When President (Donald — ed) Trump visited the region, and didn't mention anything about the settlements, the Israeli government thought that it is a green light to continue expanding settlements against all international laws," said Wassel Abu Yussef, an official of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Trump did not speak publicly about the settlements during a May 22 – 23 visit to Jerusalem and the West Bank, though he urged Israeli and Palestinian leaders to "make a deal" for peace that would entail mutual compromise and tough decisions. About 400,000 settlers and 2.8 million Palestinians live in the West Bank. ([YNETNEWS](#) 7 June 2017)

- Israel's Civil Administration promoted plans for the construction of more than a thousand illegal Israeli settler housing units in the occupied West Bank. 1,500 Israeli settler housing units were promoted during a meeting with the administration's High Planning Committee, including 102 housing units in Amichai, Israel's first [new official settlement in more than two decades](#) following the demolition of the illegal outpost of Amona in February. Amichai, which was green lit in order to relocate some 40 settler families who were evacuated from Amona, will be two and a half times larger than the demolished outpost. The committee is expected to meet again on Wednesday, according to Peace Now, to continue discussing the settlement expansions, which includes advancing plans for [approximately 2,500 new Israeli housing units](#) in the occupied Palestinian territory. Another one of the plans up for discussion will be the retroactive legalization of the illegal outpost of Kerem Rein. (Maannews 7 June 2017)

Israeli Closures

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) installed a military makeshift barrier at the southern entrance of Bethlehem city and blocked traffic. The IO

soldiers searched Palestinian passing by vehicles and checked the IDs of young passengers. The Israeli soldiers deliberately insulted Palestinian youths and juveniles during searches. (PALINFO 7 June 2017)

Other

- Since the establishment of the State of Israel, 3.2 million immigrants have immigrated to Israel, about 43 percent of them since 1990. This emerges from data published Tuesday by the Central Bureau of Statistics. In the past year, there has been a decline in the number of immigrants compared to the previous year: in 2016, 25,977 immigrants arrived in Israel compared to 27,908 in 2015—a seven percent decrease. The most significant decline was among immigrants from France—a 36 percent drop. In 2016, the largest number of immigrants arriving in Israel came from the European continent (77 percent of all immigrants). The remaining immigrants arrived from the Americas and Oceania (17 percent of all immigrants), Asia (4 percent) and Africa (1 percent). That same year, the largest number of immigrants came from Russia (27 percent of all immigrants in 2016), followed by Ukraine (23 percent), France (17 percent) and the United States (11 percent). The number of immigrants from France recorded a relatively large decline (-36 percent), and the Ukraine saw a smaller decrease (12 percent) than in the previous year. In 2016, immigration continued to be composed of a majority of women (51 percent). The ratio of men to women was 945 men to 1,000 women. The median age of women was slightly higher than that of men (33.0 years and 32.4 years, respectively). A survey of the choice of residence by the immigrants shows that most of the immigrants preferred to settle in large cities, where they probably have relatives or more veteran communities from their country of origin. Of the total number of immigrants who arrived in 2016, Jerusalem absorbed the largest number of immigrants (12 percent of all immigrants), followed by Tel Aviv-Jaffa(11 percent), Netanya (9 percent), Haifa (8 percent), Ashdod and Bat Yam (5 percent each) and Ra'anana (3 percent). Immigration in 2016, as in previous years, was characterized by a relatively high percentage of academic professionals prior to immigration to Israel. The level of education of immigrants who arrived in 2015 is relatively high—72 percent of them had 13 or more years of education, half of them (about 52 percent) had 16 years of schooling or more. ([YNETNEWS](#) 7 June 2017)
- Israeli prison forces attacked a number of Palestinian prisoners and their relatives during a family visit to Eshel prison with security guards using pepper spray on both the prisoners and their family members

and beating them with batons. The father of prisoner Omar al-Sharif said that the families had traveled from their homes in occupied East Jerusalem to Eshel prison more than 100 kilometers away in Israel's southern Negev desert. The families arrived at 7:30 a.m. and were not allowed inside until 12 p.m., he said, when both men and women were subjected to invasive and "provocative" searches at the hands of the Israel Prison Service (IPS). Heated arguments erupted in the visitation room, until a group of IPS officers stormed the room and attacked prisoners and their family members with pepper spray and beat them with batons, before the prisoners were handcuffed and the visitors were forced out. The father of prisoners Muhammad and Ahmad al-Bakri said that IPS officers had treated visiting relatives harshly since they arrived to Eshel early in the morning. (Maannews 7 June 2017)