

ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 16 October 2017

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

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

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

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) announced that they would be expanding the designated fishing zone off the coast of the Gaza Strip from 6 to 9 nautical miles starting Wednesday October 18th, 2017. Israel demanded all Gaza fishermen "not violate" the boundaries of the designated zone, threatening them with immediate punishment. (Maannews 16 October 2017)
- Israeli soldiers raided Qalandia refugee camp south of Ramallah, searched shops and homes and arrested two people before releasing

one of them. The soldiers also seized surveillance cameras. Residents clashed with the soldiers who fired tear gas, stun grenades and rubbercoated metal bullets at the Palestinian residents of the camp forcing nearby frightened school children to be quickly evacuated to avoid any harm to them. The army raided a house in the camp and a toys shop owned by the family before arresting the owner. (WAFA 16 October 2017)

• Dozens of Palestinians suffocated including two women who required hospitalization after inhaling teargas following Israeli army raid of the village of Rummana, to the northwest of Jenin in the West Bank. The Israeli army unit raided the town and set up a checkpoint in its center provoking clashes with local residents. The army fired teargas canisters at homes causing multiple cases of suffocation. (WAFA 16 October 2017)

Israeli Arrests

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided al-Thuhur neighborhood in Beit Ummar town, north of Hebron, and fired rubber-coated bullets at the Palestinians in the town. During the raid, the IOA arrested Khaled Raed Bahr, 14, who was playing with his friends and took him to the nearby settlement of Karmei Tzur. (WAFA 16 October 2017)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Dozens of Israeli settlers of Zayt Ra'nan outpost and Rechalim settlement raided Palestinian lands in Ramallah and Nablus under protection of armed Israeli occupation Army (IOA), and stole olives from dozens of Palestinian trees. Israeli settlers stole the pickings of more than 65 olive trees in the Nablus-area village of al-Sawiyeh and the Ramallah-area village of al-Janiyeh. The targeted trees belonged to Ayed Mathloum from Al Janiya village and Ali Taher in al-Sawiyeh. (Maannews 16 October 2017)
- Palestinian farmers from the Nablus-area village of Qaryut were attacked by settlers. (Maannews 16 October 2017)

Israeli Military Orders

• The Israeli occupation authorities issued a military order number 25/17/T to confiscate 3.6 dunums on lands of At Ta'amrah village east of Bethlehem, block No. 4, near the entrance of "Nekodim" settlement. (WAFA 16 October 2017)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

• Four Israeli military bulldozers entered dozens of meters into the Beit Lahiya town of the northern Gaza Strip, where they leveled and razed lands near the border fence between the Gaza Strip and Israel. Israeli drones were also flying above the area at the time. (Maannews 16 October 2017)

Expansion of settlements

The Jewish settlement in Hebron received building permits for 31 housing units Monday, marking the first time in 15 years that Israeli construction has been approved in the flashpoint West Bank city. The move was seen as an Israeli response to the recent decision by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to list Hebron's Old City as an endangered Palestinian world heritage site. The Civil Administration's Licensing Subcommittee – a Defense Ministry body responsible for approving construction over the Green Line - granted the building permits under a number of conditions, most notably that the authorization is subject to appeal. The settlers refer to the area where they plan to build an apartment complex and various educational complexes as the Hizkiya Quarter. (TIMESOFISRAEL, PEACENOW 16 October 2017)