



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.

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 Army (IOA) raided the city of Hebron and arrested Musa al-Rajabi and Osama Munther Abdel Mon'em Fannoun, after searching their houses and ransacking contents. (Wafa 23 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) searched several houses in Hebron city and Yatta town. The targeted houses belonged to Rebhi Adel Ghaith, Kayed Burqan, Musa Muhammad Musa al-Zein and Ali Salameh Mukhrama. (Wafa 23 October 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up military checkpoints at the entrances of Hebron's towns, villages and refugee camps, which lead to the city of Hebron, searched Palestinian vehicles and checked Palestinians ID cards. (Wafa 23 October 2017)
- An undercover Israeli force arrested three young men (unknown) from a gas-station in Al-Ram village, north of Jerusalem. (Wafa 3 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a group of Palestinians after raiding their houses in the Shu'fat refugee camp in Jerusalem. The detainees were identified as Sa'id al-Dabet, Mu'min al-Dibis, Uday al-Dabit, Tahseen and Elias al-Rajabi. (Wafa 3 October 2017)
- Israeli occupying Army (IOA) seized construction equipment for building a residential Barracks in Khamat Makhoul, in the northern Jordan Valley. The barracks belongs to Yousef Bisharat. (Wafa 3 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed al-Thaher area near Karmeit Zur settlement, south of Beit Ummar town, north of Hebron city and occupied the rooftops of a number of Palestinian houses in the town causing clashes to erupt in the area. Three Palestinian civilians were wounded with rubber-coated bullets in their feet and dozens suffered gas inhalation as the IOF fired tear gas bombs to disperse them. (Wafa 3 October 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Yacoub Bassam Nagnaghiya, 24, from Wad Burqin area southwest of Jenin city. Nagnaghiya was detained while he was at his work place inside the 1948 lands. (Wafa 3 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinians in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah during predawn raids -- one in al-Jalazun refugee camp, one in the town of Budrus, and two in the village of Deir Abu Mashaal. (Maannews 3 October 2017)
- Undercover Israeli soldiers detained three Palestinian youths from a gas station in the town of al-Ram, north of Jerusalem in the central occupied West Bank. The three youths, whose identity was not immediately known, were taken away in army vehicles to an unknown location. (Maannews 3 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians from Shufat refugee camp in occupied East Jerusalem, [following intense clashes the night before](#). Israeli occupation Army (IOA) had shot and injured three locals with rubber-coated steel bullets, including an 11-year-old boy

who was hospitalized for a gunshot injury in his head. The detainees were identified as Said Ad Dabet, Mu'men Ad Dibis, Udai Ad Dabet, Tahseen Al Rajabi and Elias Al Rajabi. (Maannews 3 October 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians, including an injured one, from the southern West Bank city of Hebron. (Maannews 3 October 2017)
- In the northern West Bank, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians in a raid into Iraq al-Tayeh village southeast of Nablus city. (Maannews 3 October 2017)
- One Palestinian teenager was detained by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during a raid Jenin refugee camp that sparked clashes. (Maannews 3 October 2017)
- Israeli police detained a Palestinian while working in a construction site in Israel. The detainee was identified as a resident in Wadi Burqin, southwest of Jenin. (Maannews 3 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Qais Amarneh from Ya'bad village in Jenin Governorate after raiding his house and ransacking contents. (Wafa 3 October 2017)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- A Palestinian family faces imminent displacement after the Israeli army ordered that their home in the village of Beit Surik in the occupied West Bank be punitively demolished. The "pre-demolition notice" said the family would have to evacuate within 72 hours or submit an appeal before the demolition. (Maannews 3 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) notified a Palestinian resident of al-Walajeh village, to the west of Bethlehem in the West Bank, of their intention to demolish his house and ordered a halt on the construction of another house, under the pretext of construction without a permit. The IOA notified Ali Abuttin, a resident of the village, that they will demolish his house for being constructed without an Israeli permit. The IOA also ordered Ibrahim Nayroukh, another resident of al-Walajeh, to stop the construction of his house, due to the lack of an Israeli construction permit. The IOA also photographed the land of Yaser Al Atrash in the village. (Wafa 3 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Thaher area near Al Walajeh elementary school and prevented citizen Sha'ban Abu At-Tin from reclaiming his agricultural land. The IOA also confiscated an onsite bulldozers belonging to Citizen Mahmoud Salah. (Wafa 3 October 2017)

Expansion of settlements

- Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu pledged to build 1,200 new housing units in the West Bank's biggest Jewish settlement of Ma'ale Adumim and incorporate it into a bill which will enable the government to annex it to Israel. Netanyahu's announcement came during a Likud delegation visit to Ma'ale Adumim, east of Jerusalem, where he promised to "enhanced development" of the settlement. "I declare intensification in the momentum of development in Ma'ale Adumim," Netanyahu said. "We will build here thousands of units. We are adding industrial zones and the required expansion to enable accelerated development of this place. "This place will be part of the State of Israel. I support the [Greater Jerusalem bill](#) that will enable Jerusalem and its communities to develop in many different aspects," the prime minister continued. "This is very big and important news." The bill seeks to annex several local authorities in the West Bank that are attached to Jerusalem with the intention of creating a greater Jerusalem metropolitan area. However, it is important to note that the localities will not be politically annexed. At the beginning of the Likud faction meeting, Netanyahu celebrated the developments made to the settlement over the last decades. "Twenty-five years ago, I was here with another young man. We both had black hair and we laid the cornerstones for this building. A museum housing the works of a great artist, Castel, along with his late wife," he began. "Here you see this big building. This building reflects what we are going to do. We declare reinvigorated construction. We have now added 1,200 housing units in the program and we intend to add more," he added, potentially giving hostage to fortune. "This expresses our commitment to this community which will always be a part of the State of Israel. I also welcome the idea of examining the possibility of including Ma'ale Adumim, together with other communities as part of the Greater Jerusalem bill," he continued. "There are questions regarding infrastructure, employment and security. We'll take care of them," he assured his listeners. ([YNETNEWS](#) 3 October 2017)

Israeli Closures

- Israeli occupation Army closed the area of "Aqabat As Saraya" in Jerusalem old city, close to the Al-Aqsa Mosque, on the side of Bab Al-Nather, and surrounded the orphanage school in the area. Clashes erupted between school students and the IOA who fired a barrage of gas bombs at students to disperse them. (Wafa 3 October 2017)

Other

- Furious at government's [perceived stalling](#) of new settlement building in the West Bank, as well as money transfer for existing settlements' security, heads of the settlement movement are threatening wide scale pushback if things do not start moving. As such, Samaria Regional Council Head Yossi Dagan informed Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu that "freezing the building and freezing roadwork in the West Bank will be met with unprecedented protests by the settlements against the government" after the High Holidays. Dagan's statement comes days before the Israeli Civil Administration is slated to discuss continued building in the West Bank. Leaders of the settlement movement fear that certain development plans will not be up for discussion: namely, the northern West Bank settlement of Rehelim, which has been waiting for an urban building scheme for 25 years; the southern Hebron Hills settlement of Negohot, whose industrial zone development has supposedly been postponed due to US pressure; and the evacuees of the West Bank outpost of Migron, who have been made to understand that the new settlement promised to them will not be built at this time. "Talk doesn't build settlements and words don't pave roads," said Dagan. "The West Bank settlement project is still fighting against uprooting, 20 years after (the Oslo Accords—ed) and the expulsion from Gush Katif and North Samaria. It's time the government builds the West Bank instead of talking about the West Bank." Earlier Tuesday, Work on the construction of the Amichai settlement, intended for Amona evacuees and restarted just a month ago after being halted, stalled again due to the Ministry of the Interior's refusal to exempt the Binyamin Regional Council from a tender process, preventing them from paying the contractor performing the work. "First they stabbed us in the back, and now they're turning the knife. If (works stop again—ed), we'll all make a pilgrimage to Amichai on Sukkot," evacuees said. The decision to halt construction was made following an instruction by the Chairman of the Binyamin Regional Council Avi Roeh, who ordered the contractor laying down the groundwork for Amichai to immediately desist until further notice. Despite accusations of stalling settlement development, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu [pledged](#) Tuesday to build 1,200 new housing units in the West Bank's biggest Jewish settlement of Ma'ale Adumim and incorporate it into a bill which will enable the government to annex it to Israel. Netanyahu's announcement came during a Likud delegation visit to Ma'ale Adumim, east of Jerusalem, where he promised to "enhanced development" of the settlement. "I declare intensification in the momentum of development in Ma'ale Adumim,"

Netanyahu said. "We will build here thousands of units. We are adding industrial zones and the required expansion to enable accelerated development of this place. ([YNETNEWS](#) 3 October 2017)

- Supreme Court Justice Noam Sohlberg, who lives in the West Bank settlement of Alon Shvut, privately attended with his family the ceremony last week commemorating the golden jubilee since Israel first began construction in the area. Chief Justice Miriam Naor was aware Sohlberg would attend the ceremony, despite the fact Naor [announced](#) the judiciary would not officially be sending a delegate to attend. Supreme Court Justice Neal Hendel was initially intending to attend the ceremony as the judiciary's representative to the Gush Etzion ceremony, but only days before Chief Justice Naor decided to pull out of participating altogether, claiming it was a political event. Her decision was [widely panned by government ministers](#). Chief Justice Naor further elaborated on the decision Wednesday morning. "The event is a matter of public controversy. Therefore, and without the chief justice or any other justice expressing their opinion on the matter, Chief Justice Naor decided it would be inappropriate for the judiciary to participate," a statement from Naor's office said. It was further stated that ethics rules stipulate representatives of the judiciary will not participate in an event with political or party undertones. Naor's office added the judiciary will continue participating in state ceremonies, but abstain from controversial ones, especially a ceremony with "only one side receiving the platform." The Courts Administration Authority responded Tuesday morning to Sohlberg's participation in the ceremony, saying, "The justice attended with his family as planned, privately and not as a judiciary representative. The chief justice was aware of his attendance and decided to not intervene." ([YNETNEWS](#) 3 October 2017)