



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 24 October 2017

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) confiscated 80,000 shekels (\$22,851) from Masalma's home in the Hebron-area village of Beit Awwa, located in the southern West Bank claiming the money was given to support "illegal" Palestinian groups. (Maannews 24 October 2017)
- The Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem moved into "Aqbat As Saraya" neighborhood, guarded by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and raided homes searching for indoor renovations, repairs, maintenance

or construction of additional facilities in the neighborhood; (Wafa 24 October 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Hebron-area village of Beit Awwa, located in the southern West Bank, and detained Muhammad Yasser Abd al-Razeq Masalma after raiding his, and several other homes in the area. (Maannews 24 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained five young Palestinians from Qabatiya town, south of Jenin city after raiding their families' homes and searching them. The detainees were identified as Mohammed Lutfi Abu al-Rub, Maher Sati Abu al-Rub, the brothers Abdel Aziz, Abdel Mon'im Hassan Abu El-Rub and Mohamed Mustafa Kamil. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the houses of Amin Abu El Rub and Ali Kameel in Qabatiya town, south of Jenin city. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a coffee shop in Muthalath Ash Shuhada village south of Jenin city and assaulted a number of Palestinians who were in the place. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from Tequ village east of Bethlehem city. The detainees were identified as Qusay Jamal Salman, 16, Mohammed Noman Jibril, 17. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Ahmed Jamal Al-Huraimi 23, and Nader Ayyad Al-Harimi, 44, from Wadi Um Ali in the center of Bethlehem city. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Khalil Khader Shokeh 23, from Hindaza village east of Bethlehem city after raiding their families' homes and searching them. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Ahmad Salah Taqatqa, 16, from Beit Fajjar village south of Bethlehem city for interrogation at the Gush Etzion detention center. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Mohammed Yasser 'Abd al-Razzaq Masalameh, after raiding his house in Beit' Awwa town in Hebron Governorate. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Hammam Al Qadi, 22, and Yousif Ghaleb Daoud, 21 FROM Qalqilyia city. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Alaa Ali Hamed and Kamal Suleiman Hamed from Ramallah city. (Wafa 24 October 2017)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers renewed their incursions to Al Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem through the Moroccan gate and performed religious rituals in the courtyard of Al Aqsa Mosque under the escort of armed Israeli forces. (Wafa 26 October 2017)
- Israeli settlers attacked Palestinians in the southern occupied West Bank village of Umm al-Kheir village, located in the Hebron Governorate. Clashes erupted between Israeli settlers from the nearby illegal Karmel settlement and Palestinians from Umm al-Kheir, after the settlers threw rocks at homes in the village. The Israeli occupation army (IOA) arrived in the area and began firing flares and sound bombs to disperse the crowds. (Wafa 24 October 2017)
- Dozens of olive trees were damaged as settlers of Elon Moreh settlement pumped wastewater into the lands of Deir al-Hatab area in eastern Nablus. (Wafa 24 October 2017)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- For the second time this week, Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) delivered demolition notices to Palestinians in the occupied East Jerusalem town of Silwan. Staff from the Israel's Jerusalem Municipality, escorted by Israeli police, distributed demolition notices to several homes in Silwan under the pretext of being built without difficult-to-obtain Israeli construction permits.
- Staff from the Israeli water company Gihon cut off the water supply to a number of homes in Silwan under the pretext of accumulated debts. (Maannews 24 October 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Ein Al Juweiza neighborhood in Al Walajeh village northwest of Jerusalem city and notified to demolish the under-construction two storey house of Mahmoud Muhammad Radwan under the pretext of un-licensing. (Wafa 24 October 2017)

Israeli Military Orders

- The Israeli government has issued orders expropriating Palestinian land near the illegal settlement of Halamish, northwest of Ramallah. Palestinian Farmers from the village of Nabi Saleh were surprised to find out when they went to their lands to harvest olives that the army would not let them enter it, and ordered them to go back. The soldiers passed on notices to the farmers informing them that their land will be confiscated "for security reasons,". The land intends to expand the

settlement of Halamish, which has been growing in area at the expense of area Palestinian villages ever since three Israeli settlers were killed in that settlement few months ago. (IMEMC 24 October 2017)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

- Several Israeli bulldozers entered into the “buffer zone” in the central Gaza Strip, along the border with Israel, and leveled lands in the area . Four Israeli bulldozers entered dozens of meters into the Juhr al-Dik area and razed lands as drones flew overhead. (Maannews 24 October 2017)

Expansion of settlements

Erection of Outposts

- The High Court of Justice ruled on Sunday that all the homes in the West Bank outpost of Netiv Ha’avot in Gush Etzion that were built on private Palestinian land must be demolished. The court thus rejected a request by the settlers to demolish only the parts of six homes that were built on Palestinian land – a request backed by the state. Outgoing Supreme Court President Miriam Naor wrote in the ruling that she was not belittling “the difficulties of the petitioners in being uprooted from their homes.” She noted, however, that “this was given proper expression in the ruling that delayed implementing the [original] demolition orders for a lengthy period for the purpose of finding proper alternative housing.” In September 2016 the High Court ordered the demolition of all 17 structures in the Netiv Ha’avot, a neighborhood in the settlement of Elazar, south of Jerusalem, which were built wholly or partially on Palestinian-owned land. Two of the structures, including a monument to Israel Defense Forces soldiers killed in Lebanon, have already been razed. The remaining 15 structures are to be torn down by March. ([Haaretz](#) 23 October 2017)

Israeli Closures

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closes The Salah Al-Din street in the center opposite the historic Jerusalem Wall on the outskirts of Bab al-Sahira, on the pretext of a suspicious body. That caused a major traffic crisis, because the street is one of the most active streets and markets in Jerusalem. (Wafa 24 October 2017)

Other

- More than \$34 million (NIS 122 million) were raised Monday at the annual Friends of the Israel Defense Force New York Gala event held in the city's Midtown Hilton Hotel. The event was attended by 1,200 guests from the United States, including leading philanthropists and businesspeople, as well as distinguished Israeli guests such as senior security establishment officials. This year's event was titled "A night of heroes", saluting the soldiers of the IDF, with the evening honoree being the Israeli Air Force and the keynote speaker outgoing IAF Commander Maj.-Gen. Amir Eshel. Eshel gave his address after Danny Shapira, a graduate of the Israeli Air Force Flight Academy, and the first man awarded Israel's pilot wings. Shapira later served as the air force's first test pilot and in the same capacity for the Israel Aerospace Industries. Shapira, soon to celebrate his 93rd birthday, arrived at the gala with his son Ronen, also an air force pilot. Shapira treated the assembled crowd to memories from his time as pilot and boldly announced he never knew the meaning of fear. He was accompanied onstage by combat female pilot Deputy N., who moved the crowd and received a raucous round of applause when she said there was no difference between her and her male counterparts. Eshel, meanwhile, spoke of the security challenges Israel faces and of the air force's latest technological innovations, including the purchase of the [F-35 \(Adir\) fighter jets](#), which he said were game-changing and moved the air force—and the entire army—up several pegs. Eshel also stressed the importance of the "Israeli-American togetherness." The latter portion of the evening focused on the Entebbe Operation and the story of entrepreneur and start-up mogul Amir Ofer, a former member of the elite Sayeret Matkal commando unit, who was the first soldier to enter the Entebbe Airport's terminal. Ofer was moved himself when he remembered how he declared to the 102 hostages held at the airport that IDF soldiers were there to release them. Chief Captain G., a combat pilot currently flying one of the new F-35s, fascinated the crowd with his own speech. The evening was brought to a close by those present dancing to the music played by the Israel Defense Forces Orchestra. In attendance were Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations Danny Danon, Consul-General of Israel to New York Dani Dayan, former Chief of Staff Women's Affairs advisor Gila Kalifi, FIDF National Chairman Arthur Stark and National President Peter Weintraub and Fox Business News anchor Liz Claman, who was given the honor of hosting the event. The New York department of the FIDF is one of the organization's 20 branches. Friends of the Israel Defense Force is a non-profit organization that has been active for the past 36 years and was founded by Holocaust survivors who

immigrated to the US. The organization raises more than \$100 million every year for different IDF causes. ([YNETNEWS](#) 24 October 2017)

- For two weeks, the Judea and Samaria District Police has been holding the olives from 200 trees owned by a Palestinian in the northern West Bank that are suspected of being stolen by a settler from the Adei Ad outpost. Two days ago, the Palestinian was informed by the police that the theft is being investigated and that a settler from the outpost has been arrested on suspicion of the theft. A source says the olives were seized at the time of the arrest. The police asked the Jerusalem District Court to extend the suspects' detention, but the judge released him with restrictive conditions, including an order that he stay away from the area of the olive orchard. An officer with the Binyamin District investigations and intelligence departments says the olive crop "is being held by the Israel Police." The police document given to the Palestinian says he must present "land ownership or custody documents" to retrieve the crop, and that "the sooner he can bring these documents, the sooner the seized crop will be released to him." The Palestinian's lawyer, Kamer Mashraqi of Haqel: Jews and Arabs in Defense of Human Rights, argued that to prove ownership of the land, an official opinion from the state is required, and that the police already has this. But at the court hearing, the police representative said the owner had been identified, and filed the complaint, and "we also coordinated it so the owner of the plot could do the olive harvest today without there being friction between the sides." Haqel confirmed that the scheduled harvest took place. The Palestinian claims that the olives, from which he makes a living, were held by the police for two weeks without him being informed. The police told Haaretz that once the theft complaint was filed, the Palestinian was told that they had the olives and that he had to prove his ownership of the land to get them back. But the Palestinian tells Haaretz this is not true. And his lawyer says she was not informed of this when she was in contact with the investigators. Both the Palestinian and his attorney say that the first time the police asked them to present documents was when the official message was sent to them a few days ago. For more information, click here ([Haaretz](#) 24 October 2017)