

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

• The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) assaulted and briefly detained, three Palestinian workers from 'Aida refugee camp, north of the West Bank city of Bethlehem, causing various cuts and bruises. The IOA chased a group of workers, who were trying to enter occupied Jerusalem, in an area in the al-Walaja village, west of Bethlehem. The IOA detained three of the workers, all from Abu Srour family, and

- repeatedly beat them up, before abducting and briefly detaining them. (IMEMC 10 February 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) prevented, a celebration held at the Young Muslim Women School, in occupied Jerusalem, honoring retired Palestinian teachers from the city, with the participation of Palestinian Education Minister Dr. Sabri Saidam. The IOA declared the school, and the area around it, a closed military zone, and forced the participants out, in addition to preventing many others from entering, and summoned several Palestinians for interrogation. (IMEMC 10 February 2018)

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) invaded Zabbouba village, west of Jenin, and fired dozens of rubber-coated steel bullets at local youngsters, who protested the invasion, and at surrounding homes.
 The IOA detained two young men, who remained unidentified and took them to Salem nearby military base. (IMEMC 10 February 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) detained Eyad Fayyad ad-Dibik, while walking in a mountain area, near his village, Tayasir, east of Tubas, and took him to an unknown destination. (IMEMC 10 February 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) arrested a 15-year-old outside the Ibrahimi Mosque compound in the Old City neighborhood in Hebron, in the southern West Bank. The detainee has been identified as Mohammad Ahmad Shalaldeh for allegedly having a knife on his possession. He was taken into custody by the IOA. (WAFA 10 February 2018)

Israeli Settler Violence

• Israeli settlers and army prevented the completion of maintenance works and seized the work equipment from a house in Shuhadaa Street in Hebron, in the southern West Bank. Settlers raided the house of Mufid Sharabati in Shuhadaa Street and assaulted the workers who were executing maintenance works in the house. The settlers verbally insulted the workers and threatened to offend them in case they continue the maintenance works. A few minutes later, staff from the so-called Israeli Civil Administration and a military escort arrived at the scene and ordered the workers to stop the maintenance works, before they seized their equipment. The house where maintenance was obstructed is located next to illegal Beit Hadassah settlement outpost in the heart of Hebron. (WAFA 10 February 2018)

Other

A bill to apply Israeli sovereignty to West Bank settlements remains on the Ministerial Committee for Legislation's agenda for Sunday, but is unlikely to go to a vote in light of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's opposition to it, and the escalation in the north. Likud MK Yoav Kisch's office said on Saturday night that he does not plan to remove the bill, which he proposed with Bayit Yehudi lawmaker Bezalel Smotrich, from the panel's docket. The two legislators are cochairmen of the influential, right-wing Knesset Land of Israel Caucus. Israeli laws do not automatically extend to the West Bank and usually require a military order for them to apply, because the IDF governs the area. Many on the Right see this as discrimination against Israeli citizens based on where they live. Kisch and Smotrich's proposal, which is signed by MKs from their parties and Shas, would make Israeli laws apply to all settlements in the West Bank, a move that supporters on the Right says shows that those areas are fully part of Israel, and critics on the Left say is creeping annexation. Their bill is a version of a resolution passed by the Likud central committee last month. Just because the legislation is on the Ministerial Committee for Legislation's agenda does not mean the ministers will vote on it. In fact, the votes on most items on the panel's docket each week are postponed. In this case, the bill must pass through one more station before a ministerial vote: the coalition party leaders' meeting. Netanyahu is expected to voice opposition to voting on the bill at this time. Last week, sources close to the prime minister already said it would cause a major diplomatic headache. The escalation in the security situation in the North will likely help Netanyahu's case. Talk of Netanyahu's reticence in supporting the bill has bolstered those to his Right. Bayit Yehudi said they will support the bill in the ministerial committee. (<u>IPOST</u> 10 February 2018)