

ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 21 March 2018

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.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded 'Azzoun town, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia, and shot two young men with rubber-coated steel bullets. The IOA invaded the town, before storming into and violently searching Radwan family building. The IOA also invaded and searched several homes and detained many young men while interrogating them and investigating their ID cards. Several young men then hurled stones at the invading army jeeps,

while the IOA fired rubber-coated steel bullets, wounding two, in addition to firing gas bombs and concussion grenades. Furthermore, the soldiers took pictures of several homes and buildings in the town. The army also installed many roadblocks in 'Azzoun, searched many cars and investigated the ID cards of many Palestinians. (IMEMC 21 March 2018)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded al-Mughayer Palestinian village, east of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, before storming into a school, and a kindergarten, and injured eight, in addition to detaining three young men. The IOA invaded the local school for girls, and used it as a military post, in addition to the al-Mughayer kindergarten. The IOA also invaded and searched many homes in the village, and the local mosque. Several youngsters protested the invasion, while the IOA fired rubber-coated steel bullets, wounding eight Palestinians. The IOA Also fired many gas bombs, causing dozens of Palestinians, including children in the kindergarten, to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation. Undercover soldiers also infiltrated into the al-Mughayer School for Boys, assaulted ten students with clubs and batons, and abducted three. (IMEMC 21 March 2018)
- As Palestinian children were heading to school in the morning, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) entered the central occupied West Bank village of al-Mughayyir, in the Ramallah Governorate, injuring eight people with rubber-coated steel bullets while dozens of others, some kindergarten children, were suffered from tear gas inhalation. The IOA raided the village as students were heading to their schools, and local residents were heading to work. Soldiers deployed at the village's schools, kindergarten, local mosque, and several homes. The soldiers' presence prompted confrontations with local youth, while the IOA fire rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas, causing many school children to be exposed to the gas on their way to school. Eight locals were injured by rubber bullets. (IMEMC 21 March 2018)
- Along the Gaza's coast, Israeli naval forces opened fire on Palestinian fishermen while sailing off the northern and southern coasts of Gaza. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 21 March 2018)

Israeli Arrests

- A military court sentenced, Ahed Tamimi, 17, and her mother, Nariman, 42, to eight months in prison plus \$1500 fine for each, following a plea bargain between the Tamimis' lawyer and the military prosecution. Ahed Tamimi was arrested in January when she was only 16 years old, and charged with slapping an Israeli soldier who invaded her family home in Nabi Saleh village, near Ramallah. The mother, Nariman, was arrested on the same day for filming the incident and placing the video on the internet and therefore charged with incitement. The Ofer military court had earlier agreed in another plea bargain to consider the 16 days Ahed Tamimi's cousin, Nour, 20, had spent in prison after she was arrested, a day after Ahed, for also appearing in the same video fending off the soldiers from their house, as her sentence and fined her \$600 plus five months suspended sentence. (IMEMC 21 March 2018)
- Israeli police arrested the guard, Ehab Abu Ghazaleh, from his workplace inside the mosque, and took him to an investigation center in Jerusalem, after he refused to stay away from the settlers in the mosque. (IMEMC 21 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 6 Palestinians from their homes in several parts of the occupied West Bank. The IOA invaded and violently searched dozens of homes and interrogated many Palestinians before detain abducting 6 young men. The detained Palestinians have been identified as: Mo'taz Okasha, Nablus. Nayef ash-Shami, Nablus. Ayman Abdul-Nasser Hdeib, Ein al-Sultan refugee camp – Jericho. Khaled Issa, al-Khader town – Bethlehem. Nafeth Ammar Abu Aisha, Hebron. Toqai Abboud Jawabra, Beit Ummar – Hebron. Islam Asafra, Beit Kahil – Hebron. (IMEMC 21 March 2018)

Israeli Settler Violence

• Israeli settlers stormed, the courtyards of Al-Aqsa Mosque, while Israeli police arrested one of its guards from his workplace, inside the mosque. 24 settlers guarded by security forces stormed Al-Aqsa in the early morning hours, via The Moroccan Gate, and attempted to perform Talmudic rituals. (IMEMC 21 March 2018)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

• Six bulldozers, accompanied by military jeeps, entered 100 meters into Gaza territory, near Gaza City, where they razed lands in the area. (Maannews 21 March 2018)

Other

• Israeli authorities are considering stripping 12 Palestinians of their permanent residency status in occupied East Jerusalem, in what would reportedly be the first use of recently adopted legislation. According to Haaretz, Interior Minister Arye Dery is weighing up the move in light of a law which passed two weeks ago, and grants him the authority to strip any permanent resident of his residency rights, for 'terrorism' or 'disloyalty' to the State of Israel. The 12 Palestinians in question include four Hamas-affiliated parliamentarians from the Palestinian Legislative Council, whose cases were the subject of a Supreme Court ruling that overturned a previous government decision to revoke their residency. It was in response to that ruling that the Knesset subsequently adopted the new legislation, PNN further reports. The other eight Palestinians who may have their residency revoked have all been convicted by Israeli courts of involvement in alleged terror attacks, Haaretz reported. "Murdering Israelis and involvement in attacks against civilians is the gravest possible breach of faith between a resident and his country," Dery said. "The same goes for active, significant involvement in terrorist organizations. Residents and citizens who endanger the Israeli public and constitute a threat to its safety should know that their status is in danger, on top of the other penalties laid down by law. I will work with all my might and all the means at my disposal to fight terrorists and anyone who's involved in or abets terror." Attorney Osama Saadi, who represents the four Hamas parliamentarians, said: "The amendment in question is unconstitutional, and even the attorney general opposed it. Moreover, the law states that in any case, it's not possible to revoke the residency of East Jerusalem residents, who have a special status, and leave them

without any residency." "We will petition the High Court on behalf of these four, who, as you'll recall, have been waging a legal battle against the revocation of their residency since 2006 and won their petition a few months ago," he added. "This amendment violates international law, and wholesale revocations, such as are happening today, show that this is a political law by a crazy government." (IMEMC 21 March 2018)