

# **ARIJ Daily Report**

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# Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 25 March 2018

**T** 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

- Israeli warplanes fired three sites northwest of Rafah city, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip. The missiles destroyed the targeted a structure and caused serious damage to nearby homes and buildings.
- Meanwhile, Israeli media reported that the strikes were conducted in response to four Palestinians who had entered Israel from the Gaza Strip and attempted to torch heavy engineering equipment that was

being used for the construction of an underground separation barrier between Gaza and Israel.

- A Palestinian student, identified as Ahmad Firas Mansour, was wounded by rubber-coated bullet and others suffered tear-gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in the vicinity of Burin High School, south of Nablus. (WAFA 25 March 2018)
- Israeli soldiers attacked Palestinian Christians during the traditional Palm Sunday procession in Jerusalem, while they were celebrating by carrying palm fronds and chanting special hymns. The army also banned marching Palestinian Christians from carrying the Palestinian flag, and attacked those who tried to raise it. However, several people from European countries were allowed to carry their countries' flags. (Palestine News 25 March 2018)

#### Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli central court at Salah Eddin Street, in Jerusalem, sentenced a woman from the Silwan neighborhood, in occupied East Jerusalem, to 10 years imprisonment, and ordered her to pay a fine of 5,000 shekels (\$1,400). Amani al-Hashim, a mother of two children, was detained in December of 2016, after claiming she allegedly attempted to ram her car into Israeli soldiers at Qalandia checkpoint, on Ramallah-Jerusalem road. She is currently being held in the Israeli prison of HaSharon.
- A number of detainees at Asqalan Israeli prison are facing seriously deteriorating health conditions and are being denied basic medical treatment. Detainee Ali Barghouthi, 45, from Aboud village west of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, is suffering from severe chest pain, arrhythmia and frequent loss of consciousness. Barghouthi, who was taken prisoner thirteen years ago, and was sentenced to a life term and forty years imprisonment, is not receiving of his medications, and is not even sent for medical checkups. Detainee Riyad Al-'Amour, 45, from Bethlehem, who is serving a life term, is one of the most difficult medical cases, as he suffers from various health conditions, including cardiomyopathy, arrhythmia, in addition to suffering complications from gunshot wounds to his back, and underwent several surgeries to remove part of his intestine, and part of his liver, and replaced his

duodenal valve. He also had open heart surgery two years ago, and requires professional checkups and follow-up. Furthermore, detainee Amir Abu Raddaha, from the al-Am'ari refugee camp, east of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, is facing several problems with his legs, especially the knees, and he requires treatment by a specialized orthopedist, which the Israeli prison authorities refuse to provide.

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Bethlehem, in the West Bank, and detained Mo'tasem Mohammad al-'Arouj, 21, after storming his family's home and ransacking it.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded homes in Surif town, west of the southern West Bank city of Hebron, and detained two Palestinians, identified as Ahmad Taha al-Hoor and Mohammad Sameeh Ghneimat.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded many neighborhoods in Doura town, south of Hebron, especially the eastern part, before breaking into a blacksmith workshop and searching it.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stopped a Palestinian car at the northern entrance of Madama village, south of the northern West Bank city of Nablus, and detained four young men, who were in the vehicle. Three of the fourth were released shortly after, while the fourth, identified as Zia Faris Qadus, remained in detention. (Maannews, IMEMC 25 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) interrogated the Palestinians for more than four hours, and later released three of them and took one, identified as Dia' Fares Qadous, to an unknown destination.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) installed a roadblock a 'Arraba town junction, and one near Be'er al-Basha village, in addition to the main road leading to Arranah village, east of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, before stopping and searching dozens of cars, and interrogated many Palestinians while investigating their ID cards.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at the al-Karama Border Terminal between Jordan and Palestine detained a Palestinian journalist working for Palestine TV, while he was heading back home

after receiving a journalism award in Egypt. The journalist, Bakr Abdul-Haq, was returning to Palestine from Cairo, after receiving a journalism award for his reports and accomplishments. Abdul-Haq, was moved to the al-Maskobiyya interrogation facility, in occupied Jerusalem, without any explanation, or charges.

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians in al-Thahriyeh town, south of Hebron. The IOA raided the town and detained three Palestinians, one of whom was identified as Ahmad Hawareen. (WAFA 25 March 2018)

## Israeli Settler Violence

- A group of Israeli settlers attacked a Palestinian shepherd in grazing lands east Tawania area, in Yatta town, south of the southern West Bank city of Hebron, causing fractures and bruises. The settlers came from Ma'on and Havat Ma'on settlements, installed on Palestinian lands. The settlers attacked Jom'a Mousa Rib'ey, 45, causing various cuts and bruises, in addition to fractures in his left leg, and lacerations in the head. The wounded shepherd suffered moderate injuries.
- Israeli settlers attacked Palestinian farmers while they were farming their lands in the village of Immatin, to the east of Qalqilya in the occupied West Bank. The settlers came from illegal Gilad settlement and attacked the farmers while they were working in their agricultural lands, injuring an elderly identified as Yousef Mahmoud Barri, 63, and causing him bruises in the head. (WAFA 25 March 2018)
- 82 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque from Al Maghrabeh gate in occupied Jerusalem, escorted by the Israeli Occupation Police, and carried out provocative tours in the court yard of the Al Aqsa Mosque. (WAFA 25 March 2018)

## **Confiscation & Razing of lands**

• Several Israeli military vehicles entered into the southern Gaza Strip and razed lands along the border with Israel. Five military bulldozers razed lands east of Khan Younis near the border fence, while a drone flew overhead. (Maannews 25 March 2018)

#### Israeli Settlements & Settlement Expansion

Peace Now's annual report on settlement construction in 2017 in the West Bank (excluding Jerusalem) reveals 17% more building than the yearly average over the better part of the past decade. Of the new construction, 78% took place in isolated settlements beyond the Geneva Initiative border, a slight increase from 2016. Tenders published in 2017 reached a two-decade record high, while the new settlement of Amihai (for the Amona evictees) and three outposts were founded. The steady pace of construction and building deep in the West Bank attest to Prime Minister Netanyahu's steadfast abetting of the settlement enterprise. It is also apparent that the new U.S. presidency in 2017 had no marginal deterrent effect on these Israeli unilateral moves, which continue to inflict severe damage on Palestinians' way of life and on prospects for a two-state solution. Click here to read the full report. (PEACENOW 25 March 2018)