

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

• After holding his corpse for 36 days, the Israeli military returned the body of Yassin Saradeeh who was killed in Jericho by a group of Israeli soldiers who shot the unarmed man at point blank range and beat him repeatedly until he died. Yassin Omar Saradeeh, 33, was killed on February 22nd 2018 by Israeli soldiers who shot him, then beat him repeatedly while he was lying on the ground. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot a young Palestinian man east
 of the Sheja'eyya neighborhood, east of Gaza city with a live round in
 his thigh. The incident took place after the soldiers targeted a group of
 Palestinians on their land, near the border fence of the besieged coastal
 region. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot five young Palestinian men, east of Gaza city, and eat of Khan Younis in the southern part of the Gaza Strip. The IOA repeatedly opened fire at dozens of Palestinians, who marched east of the Zeitoun neighborhood, southeast of Gaza city, wounding three of them. The three Palestinians suffered moderate wounds. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot two Palestinian with gas bombs, which directly struck them, near Khuza'a village, east of the southern Gaza Strip city of Khan Younis, causing moderate wounds. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli military pushed hundreds of soldiers along the border fence in the besieged Gaza Strip, in placed sand hills, in preparation of mass processions which marks the Palestinian Land Day. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)
- Thousands of Israeli soldiers were deployed in and around occupied East Jerusalem, and in various parts of the occupied West Bank. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Thaer Shreiteh, head of information department in the Detainees Commission, one of Palestinian Authority's institutions. The IOA detained Shreiteh at dawn after raiding his home in al-Mazraa al-Gharbiyeh, near Ramallah, ransacking it and terrifying his family. (WAFA 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained thirty one Palestinians from their homes, after the IOA invaded and violently searched them, in several parts of the occupied West Bank. One of the detained Palestinians, Nuwwar Bassam Tamimi, 16, is mentally challenged. The

- detained Palestinians have been identified as: Omar Abu Latifa, Qalandia refugee camp Jerusalem. Ali Mheisin, Jerusalem. Mohammad Abdul-Rauf Mahmoud, Jerusalem. Baha' Kanaan, Jerusalem. Ahmad Abu Shammala, Jerusalem. Mohammad Majdi Atiya, Jerusalem. Mohammad Zakariya Oleyyan, Jerusalem. Anas Sa'ad 'Awwad, Awarta Nablus. Yassin Sabah, 'Orif Nablus. Anas Akif Eshteyya, Nablus. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)
- Hassan Mustafa Issa, Nablus. Dia' Yousef al-Moghrabi, Nablus. As'ad Amid Ja'ar, Allar Tulkarem. Ibrahim Tawfiq Jeebat, Allar Tulkarem. Shadi Bassem Ja'arna, Allar Tulkarem. Mo'men Zakariya 'Eneini, Allar Tulkarem. Osama Sawafta, Tubas. Ali Ibrahim Abu Oleyyan, Yatta Hebron. Tha'er Shreiteh, al-Mazra'a al-Gharbiyya Ramallah. Sa'id Abu Yousef, Ramallah. Hasan Abu Yousef, Ramallah. Maher Abu Yousef, Ramallah. Mohammad al-'Arja, Ramallah.Nuwwar Bassam Tamimi, 16, Deir Nitham Ramallah. Mustafa Saleh Tamimi, Deir Nitham Ramallah. Khaled al-'Arja, Ramallah. Mohammad Mahmoud al-'Arja. Dirar Mahmoud al-'Arja. Assem Mustafa 'Orouq, Jenin. Wawis Mahmoud Ejjawi, Jenin. Mohammad Mousa Mer'ey, Qarawat Bani Hassan Salfit. (WAFA 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two high-school students, identified as 'Assem Mustafa 'Orouq and Wawis Mahmoud Ejjawi, from Jenin city, in northern West Bank. (WAFA 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Salem village east of Nablus and four Palestinians from the village. The detained Palestinians have been identified as Anas Akef Ishtayya, Wisam Sameer Karaki, Malek Qais Hamdan and Hassan Mustafa Issa. The IOA confiscated the detainees' cars after raiding their families' houses and searching them. (WAFA 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Balata refugee camp east of Nablus and raided the house of Yousif Al Mughrabi, searched it and detained his son Dia'. (WAFA 29 March 2018)
- More than 40 Israeli soldiers stormed the village of Deir Nizam, northwest of Ramallah, and detained Nawar Bassam Mezher al-Tamimi, 16, and Mustafa Saleh al-Tamimi, 16. (WAFA 29 March 2018)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Qasem Ayman Jabr, 20, from Qalqilyia city after raiding his family house. (WAFA 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians from the town of Al Isawiya in occupied East Jerusalem. The detainees were identified as Mohammed Magdy Attia, Mohamed Abdel Raouf Mahmoud, Ali Moheisen, Ahmad Khaled Abu Shamala and Mohammed Zakaria Alyan. (WAFA 29 March 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and undercover Israeli forces opened fire at a Palestinian car near Abu Khalil Gas station, at Anata village junction, northeast of Jerusalem, after they failed to detain a Palestinian youth. The IOA later confiscated the surveillance records of the Gas Station following the incident. (WAFA 29 March 2018)

Israeli Settler Violence

In the evening on 26 March 2018, settlers in Hebron broke into and are currently squatting in a compound of two houses belonging to the Palestinian Zaatari family, known by settlers as Beit Rachel and Beit Leah. The incident transpired after the settlers were granted a transactional permit (heiter iska) by Israeli authorities. This permit represents but one in several legal hurdles to prove that the land purchase is valid before settlers would actually be allowed to enter the compound. Therefore, the break-in on 26 March constitutes an illegal act under Israeli law. Indeed, the compound's ownership remains under dispute. The Zaatari family, which had emptied the compound due to severe restrictions on movement in Hebron's Old City, claims to have never sold the compound. When settlers broke into the same compound in January 2016, they were evicted by Israeli authorities soon afterward. Meanwhile, the land registrar promised the Zaatari family that it would be able to present its own claims if the settlers' claim were to advance to the First Registration Committee, which would arbitrate on which party owns the compound. To date, the settlers' claim has not advanced to this stage, and thus has no legal approval. In a similar case in 2017, settlers in Hebron trespassed onto the Abu Rajab house, known in Israeli media as Beit HaMachpela, wielding a transactional permit from 2012 but without having actually proved ownership before the First Registration Committee. They squatted in the house for eight months, until the High Court of Justice

- ordered an <u>eviction</u> last week after they were unable prove their purchase. (PEACENOW 29 March 2018)
- Israeli settlers closed rural roads leading to agricultural land in the town of al-Khader to the south of Bethlehem to prevent Palestinian farmers from reaching their land. A group of settlers from *Sidi Boaz* settlement outpost, built illegally on Palestinian-owned land, closed the road with dirt mounds, rocks and construction remnants. Settlers repeatedly close the roads in an attempt to force the Palestinian farmers to abandon their land. (WAFA 29 March 2018)

Erection of Israeli checkpoints

 The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) installed roadblocks in several parts of the occupied West Bank, stopped and searched dozens of cars, and interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)

Israeli Closures

 The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the main entrance of Deir Nizam village, northwest of Ramallah, with cement blocks. The IOA heavily stationed at the outskirts of the village, where they fired tear gas and sound bombs at students in the village as they were heading to their schools and blocked their access to the school. (WAFA 29 March 2018)

Other

• In a rare interview directly criticizing the Palestinian leadership, US Ambassador to Israel David Friedman indicated that the White House's patience with Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas is running out, noting that if Abbas refuses to negotiate with Israel and the Americans, others will. "If Abu Mazen is not interested in negotiating, I am sure that someone else will want to," Friedman said, referring to Abbas by his moniker. "If Abbas creates a vacuum, I am convinced that someone else will fill it, and then we will move forward [with the peace process]," Friedman continued, in an interview with the weekly religious-Zionist newspaper Shevi'i. Parts of the interview were released on Wednesday; the full interview will be published on Friday. (TOI 29 March 2018)

• The Israeli ministerial cabinet held a special meeting to discuss the expected mass Palestinian protests, especially in the Gaza Strip, to commemorate Palestinian Land Day. The Cabinet decided to significantly increase military deployments, in addition to using live fire and shoot to kill orders "if the Palestinians breach (or approach) the security fence" in the besieged coastal territory. The Israeli preparations also include various parts of the occupied West Bank, especially in areas close to its illegal settlements and military bases. Israeli officials have publicly stated that Israeli settlers will be urged to carry their weapons in the area around the protests – despite these settlers having a documented history of excessive violence against Palestinian civilians. The Israeli army said that its soldiers will use live ammunition, even if it means serious casualties among the Palestinians "should they approach or breach the border fence" in Gaza. (IMEMC 29 March 2018)