



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 3 May 2018

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

- A young Palestinian man died from serious wounds he suffered last Friday, after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and seriously injured him. Anas Shawqi Abu 'Asser, 19, from Tal al-Hawa neighborhood in Gaza city, was shot with a live round in the head, and remained in the Intensive Care Unit until he succumbed to his serious wound. The young man was shot during a nonviolent procession east of the Zeitoun neighborhood, southeast of Gaza City. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded many homes in Aida refugee camp, north of Bethlehem, and placed huge rocks blockading a main road between Shoshahla village and al-Khader town, south of Bethlehem, completely isolating many communities and preventing the Palestinians from entering their farmlands. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot four Palestinians with live fire, and caused many to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation, after the army attacked dozens of protesters on their lands near the border fence. The IOA shot and moderately wounded a young man with a live round in his leg, east of Jabalia, in northern Gaza. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) sharpshooters shot three Palestinians east of Khuza'a town, east of Khan Younis, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)

Israeli Arrests

- In Nablus, in northern West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched many homes in several parts of the governorate and detained six Palestinians. The detained Palestinians have been identified as Mohammad Sami Ja'ara, Bashar al-Masri, Abdul-Rahman Akkouba and Firas Zobeidi from Nablus city, in addition to Mahdi Rasmi al-Ka'bi, from Balata refugee camp, and Ahmad Amer Nassar, from Madama village, south of Nablus. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)
- In Qalqilia, in northern West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Mos'ab Sfeiri, Yahya Samman and Saleh Bassem Sa'sa', 16. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)
- In occupied Jerusalem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) searched homes and detained two university students, identified as Osama Sayyed Ahmad and Khalil Kanaan, from the Suwwana neighborhood. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Mohammad Jamal Abu Eid, from Biddu town, northwest of the city. After searching many homes in Biddu, the IOA attacked Palestinians, who protested the

invasion, and fired several live rounds, rubber-coated steel bullets and gas bombs. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)

- In Ramallah, in central West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded homes and stores in Surda town, northeast of the city, and confiscated surveillance equipment and recordings. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)
- In Bethlehem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Beit Fajjar and Teqoua' towns, searched many homes and summoned Jihad Thawabta, 24, Ahmad Suleiman Sha'er, 58, Ismael Sha'er, 45, and Mohammad Salman, 39, for interrogation in Etzion military base and security center. (IMEMC, WAFA 3 May 2018)
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- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Hamza Samir Masalma, 24, from Bethlehem, after stopping him in Silwad town, northeast of Ramallah. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded many homes in Aida refugee camp, north of Bethlehem. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- For the fourth consecutive day, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) continue to attack the centuries-old Bab Al-Rahma Islamic cemetery near Al-Aqsa mosque, by digging up graves of Palestinians. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA), staff of the Israeli Civil Administration and Israeli bulldozers raided Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city and demolished a shed used for selling agricultural seedlings and pottery, in Beit Za'ta area, on Hebron Jerusalem road,

allegedly for being built with license. The shed is owned by Ramzi Nabeel Abdel Rahman Abu Ayyash and is 250 sq meters area. The IOA also confiscated the shed's contents (seedlings, iron pipes and barracks ceilings) and took them to Etzion detention center. Losses are estimated at more than 20,000 NIS. (Wafa 3 May 2018)

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) stormed "Bir Ohna" area north-west of Beit Jala, and handed citizen Zakaria al-Wahsh an order to halt the construction at his under-construction house in the area under the pretext of not being licensed. (Wafa 3 May 2018)

Expansion of settlements

- Israeli settler bulldozers have razed the lands of Kafr El Deek town in Salfit, northern West Bank. The IO bulldozers leveled lands west of Kafr El Deek, west of Salfit, in order to expand the settlement of "Aleh Zahav". The lands were used for herding poultry and had olive trees. The bulldozing was being carried out in favor of the expansion of the Aleh Zahav settlement and its industrial zone. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)

Erection of Israeli checkpoints

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) placed huge rocks blockading a main road between Shoshahla village and al-Khader town, south of Bethlehem, completely isolating many communities and preventing the Palestinians from entering their farmlands. (IMEMC 3 May 2018)

Israeli Closures

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed with big rocks the main agricultural road leading to Shoshleh village south of al-Khader village in Bethlehem Governorate, for no apparent reason. The closure resulted in the detention of a number of Palestinian vehicles and farmers who were unable to exit the village and their agricultural land. This Israeli measure will deprive Palestinian farmers access to hundreds of dunums of agricultural areas in Thaher Az Zayyah, Ein Al Qassis and Al Hadaf. (Wafa 3 May 2018)

Other

- The house of a former chief military prosecutor in the West Bank, Maurice Hirsch, was built illegally on privately-owned Palestinian land in the settlement of Efrat, says Dror Etkes, a longtime monitor of Israeli land policy in the West Bank. “It’s ironic that a person who for years was in charge of the rotten prosecution system in the West Bank lives in a house that could have been built only because of the rot that spread throughout the law enforcement system,” Etkes, the founder of the nongovernmental organization Kerem Navot, told Haaretz. In 2009 the Supreme Court rejected the contractor’s claim that the house had been bought from a Palestinian landowner, and in 2014 Israel’s Civil Administration in the West Bank ruled the structure outside the area of state-owned land. Hirsch, currently a lieutenant colonel in the reserves, bought the house in 2012, shortly before he became chief military prosecutor in the West Bank. In that capacity, he was responsible for handling criminal charges against Palestinians. Hirsch left the army in 2016 and today serves as an adviser to NGO Monitor, a group that tracks other NGOs critical of Israel. Replying to Etkes’ allegations, he told Haaretz: “That’s revolting and immaterial.” Construction of the two-family house began in 1994 without permits, and without the structure appearing in a master plan. The state allocated the land to the builder. Shortly after construction began, the Civil Administration ordered the house demolished but suspended the order when a new plan was submitted. In January 1999, the administration approved the plan and the status of the house, and the order was lifted. But then the builders and the Civil Administration began a financial dispute that went to the courts. In 2004, a magistrate’s court ruled that the acquisition process had been proper. According to the ruling, the transaction was not registered because the sale put the seller’s life in danger. But in 2008, a district court reversed the ruling and said the builders “brought not a shred of evidence that they had bought the lots.” A year later the Supreme Court rejected the builders’ appeal but, until 2014, the Civil Administration left the building recorded as being within the “blue line” marking state-owned land. For its part, the Civil Administration told Haaretz an illegal construction file had been opened, after which a stop-work order was issued and the building’s owner was summoned before a supervisory subcommittee. At the start of 1999, the house was legalized in an approved master plan. The administration, however, did not mention that in 2014 the house was reclassified as not being on state land. ([Haaretz](#) 3 May 2018)