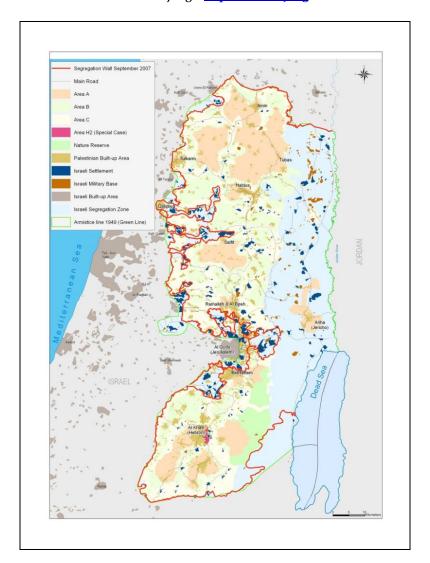
The Israeli Colonization Activities in the occupied Palestinian Territory during the Second Quarter of 2017

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The Quarterly report highlights the chronology of events Concerning the Israeli Violations in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, 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.

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Bethlehem Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

Israeli Violations in Bethlehem Governorate during the Month of April 2017

- In the southern Bethlehem governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians, identified as 22 -year-old Imad Taqatqa and 23year-old Anas Ibrahim Nabhan. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) bulldozed Palestinian cultivated land in al-Khader town, south of Bethlehem city. Israeli bulldozers leveled cultivated land lots in al-Ghweit Valley, adjacent to the illegal Israeli settlement outpost of Sidi Boaz. The land tracts belong to the Palestinian

Sbeih family. One of the land lots covers an area of 15 dunums. The move makes part of Israeli attempts to expand surrounding settlement outposts at the expense of Palestinian lands. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded many homes in Bethlehem city and abducted Ramzi Abu Manna and Mohammad Sabri Zawahra. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) ordered a Palestinian from Al Suwwana area in Al Khader village south of Bethlehem city to stop the construction of a water well in the village under the pretext of unlicensed building. The well is owned by citizen Lutfi Sbeih. (WAFA 4 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) extended the administrative detention order for the second time against the Palestinian lawyer Basel Mezher, 24, from al-Duhaisheh refugee camp, south of Bethlehem. The six months extension order was issued based on the so-called "the secret file" which neither prisoners nor lawyers are allowed to access. Israeli attorney general claimed that the extension order was issued for security reasons. Mezher was arrested in October, 2016 after Israeli soldiers stormed his home in the refugee camp. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)
- A 23-year-old Palestinian was critically injured with live fire during clashes before dawn in the al-Duheisha refugee camp in the southern occupied West Bank Bethlehem Governorate, as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) conducted a detention raid in the camp. The IOA raided several houses in the camp, causing clashes to erupt between Palestinian youth of the camp and the IOA who opened live fire at youth, injuring Akram al-Atrash with three bullets. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) brutally attacked three Palestinians during their arrest. Detainee Ibrahim Abu Daya, 24, was violently attacked and beaten during his arrest and investigation process. Montasser Abdelhamid Za'eig, 24, was also attacked while being arrested and taken in a military jeep, while the detainee Saber Yahya Amour, 23, was violently beaten by Israeli forces during his arrest from his house in Takoa vilage, south of Bethlehem. The three detainees were all arrested on April 2. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided al-Duheisha refugee camp in Bethlehem Governorate and detained four Palestinians, identified by locals as Mutasem Raqban, Ahmad Sarar, Ahmad al-Sarawi, and Akram al-Atrash, who was critically injured with three live bullets after clashes erupted during the raid. (Maannews 5 April 2017)

- In the Bethlehem-area village of Nahalin, southwest of Bethlehem city, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Omran Yusif Omran, Ibrahim Waleed Najajra, Adel Mahmoud Ghayatha, and Abd al-Karim Shakarna. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers of the Israeli settlement outpost of Sde Bouaz leveled a Palestinian land in Ein al-Qessis area in al-Khader town south of Bethlehem. The settlers used soil and rocks in order to level the Palestinian land. The land leveling aimed at setting up mobile house caravans for settlers in the area. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) ordered a Palestinian citizen to stop the underway construction of a water well in eastern Bethlehem governorate. The Israeli antiquities authority handed over a stop-construction order, targeting a water well, to the Palestinian citizen Mohamed Ali Zawahra in Beit Ta'mar village east of Bethlehem city. The cease-construction notification was issued on account that the area falls under the Israel-run category. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army bulldozers leveled agricultural land in Khallet Al Qoton and Jabal Abu Za'rour in Bethlehem Governorate which resulted in the uprooting of Olive seedlings in the area owned by Abdel Hameed Mezher and Ahmad Abu Srror. The total leveled area is estimated at 100 dunums of land. (WAFA 5 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded Za'tara village, east of Bethlehem, and abducted Ahmad Za'al Sahouri, 23. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded the al-Khader town, south of Bethlehem, and abducted Marwan Hussein Issa. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) abducted a lawyer, identified as Hussein Mahmoud Sheikh, 34, from his home in Marah Rabah village, south of Bethlehem. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
- In the Bethlehem governorate, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Omar Mislit. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded at dawn As Saff Street area, in the center of the city, and abducted As'ad Mohammad Abu 'Ahour, 16, after breaking into his family's home and violently searching it. (IMEMC 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded Hindaza Mountain area, east of Bethlehem, searched homes, and abducted Suleiman Hammad

'Obeyyat, 55. The soldiers also invaded al-Mawaleh Mountain area, in the center of Bethlehem, searched homes and abducted Mohammad Awwad Mousa, 22. (IMEMC 7 April 2017)

- Several Israeli military jeeps invaded, at dawn, Doha village, west of Bethlehem, in the occupied West Bank, and abducted a Palestinian child. The soldiers invaded the home of Waleed Sabri, violently searched the property while interrogating the family, and abducted his son, Mohammad, 16. The soldiers also drove around the village and withdrew later, taking the child to the Etzion military base and security center, south of Bethlehem. (IMEMC 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian at the al-Jaba military checkpoint in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. The detainee was identified as 20-year-old Mutasem Samer Issa Brighith. Brighith was on his way home to Beit Ummar in the Hebron district from Ramallah, where he attends university. He was detained at the checkpoint and transferred to an unknown location in an Israeli military jeep. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers invaded Ad Deheishe refugee camp, south of the city of Bethlehem, violently searched homes and abducted Mohammad Monjed Lahham, 18. (IMEMC 12 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers also invaded and ransacked homes in Husan village, west of Bethlehem, and abducted Mohammad Za'ouli, 17, and Bashar Sabateen, 15. (IMEMC 12 April 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Ibrahim al-Adel, Stephen Munther Matar, and Anas Ismail Nawawra were detained. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Bethlehem and kidnapped three Palestinian young men. Palestinian youngster Ghaleb Hamdan was kidnapped by the Israeli soldiers from his family home in al-Tabaqa village, in Hebron's southern town of Dura. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Dozens of protesters, including a journalist, were left wounded after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked a march in Bethlehem calling for the release of dead bodies. Palestinian journalist Islam al-Amarna was injured with the shrapnel of a sound bomb that exploded underneath her feet. The Israeli army patrols targeted the marchers with randomlyunleashed spates of teargas canisters and sound bombs. Dozens of

protesters choked on tear gas after the IOA aggressively disbanded the march calling for the release of the bodies of slain anti-occupation youngsters. (PALINFO 14 April 2017)

- Eleven Palestinian families in the occupied West Bank village of Wadi al-Nis, located in the Bethlehem Governorate, have received home demolition orders in recent weeks. Four of the homes that received demolition orders in the past few weeks were inhabited, while seven other buildings were under construction. The families, have been trying to complete the construction of the homes and move in, as they believed that it would "protect the houses from demolition." (Maannews 16 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation soldiers stationed at the Herodion military base illegally established on land of Beit Ta'mar east of Bethehem city pumped sewage water into the neighboring agricultural lands which are planted with olive trees in the area of "Ein Al Jdal. The level of pumped wastewater reached to about 30 cm. Land owners had previously filed a case against the Israeli army base, which was established in 2002, to stop the process of pumping wastewater, and the court ordered that the army pump it once every four days, but the Israeli Army did not comply with the court order and continued pumping wastewater deliberately into the lands of Palestinians in the village, depriving a number of farmers from entering their land, and causing the destruction of a large number of olive trees. (PNN 20 April 2017)
- A 17-year-old girl sustained injuries as she was ran over by an Israeli settler in Tekoua' village, southeast of Bethlehem. The girl sustained light to moderate injuries. (PNN 20 April 2017)
- In the city of Bethlehem, in the southern West Bank, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a solidarity march by firing tear gas at protesters, who marched from a sit-in tent outside the al-Azza refugee camp -- where dozens had gathered to perform Friday prayers -- towards Israel's illegal separation wall., carrying signs and chanting slogans in support of the hunger-striking prisoners. Several protesters suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned citizen Tareq Musa Ibayyat, 28, from Beit Sahour, for interrogation at the Gush Etzion detention center after raiding his family house and searching it. (WAFA 22 April 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the town of Beit Fajjar in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem and detained three Palestinians, identified as Muhammad Jafaar Taqatqa, 19, Mahmoud Abdullah Ali, 18, and Alaa Marwan Taqatqa, 19. During the raid in Beit Fajjar, Asaad Ahmad Thawabta, 28, Ali Mustafa Taqatqa, 27, and Alaa Khalid Samour, 27, were ordered to appear for interrogation at Israel's Etzion detention center. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- In southern Bethlehem, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided al-Duheisha refugee camp and detained Iyad Bassam al-Farahin, 21, and Ismail Najib Farraj, 23, after searching their houses. Resident of the camp Malik al-Zighari was summoned for interrogation. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Ismail Jamil Hamamra, 48, in the village of Husan to the west of Bethlehem city. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 18-year-old Saleh Rizq Mousa in the village of al-Khader west of Bethlehem city. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- The 18-year-old Samer Salim Shantir was detained BY THE Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in central Bethlehem on al-Saf street. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers razed privately-owned Palestinian land in the Wadi al-Ghawit area in the western outskirts of al-Khader in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. The Palestinian owner of the land in question, Ibrahim Sbeih, was physically assaulted by the settlers. Israelis from the illegal settlement outpost Sde Boaz leveled 10 dunams (2.5 acres) of agricultural land planted with almond trees and grapevines and owned by Sbeih, who said he had not been officially notified by Israeli authorities that the land was slated for confiscation. The land had been planted with almond trees and grapevines. (Maannews 24 April 2017)
- In the Bethlehem Governorate, Israeli occupation troops raided the town of Beit Fajjar and detained two teenage boys, identified by locals as 17year-old Khalid Hussein Derayya and 15-year-old Sanad Amjad Taqatqa. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- A 13-year-old boy was also detained in al-Duheisha refugee camp in southern Bethlehem, identified by locals as Muhammad Iyad al-Masri. (Maannews 25 April 2017)

- Israeli settlers set ablaze some 100 olive trees belonging to Palestinians in the village of Beit Tamir in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. Israeli settlers set the olive trees on fire in a five dunums (1 acre) plot of land, which is located near an Israeli outpost and belongs to Mubarak and Muhammad Zawahreh. (Maannews 26 April 2017)
- Palestinians in the village of Jubbet al-Dhib were notified that an underconstruction elementary school under construction in the town was slated for demolition by Israel's Civil Administration, which enforces Israeli policies in the occupied Palestinian territory. (Maannews 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities have completed the closure of Al Walaja village, southwest of Jerusalem, with an electronic fence. This has led to the isolation of the villagers from their lands. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) are completing the closure Ein Jouizeh neighborhood with an electronic fence. This wall will completely close the village from all sides, affecting the lives of the village residents. The only way to enter and exit the village will be from the settlement of Har Gilo. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian in the Bethlehem-area refugee camp of Aida. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Ahmad Abd al-Rahim Deiriyeh, 28, and Ahmed Majed Diriya from the Beit Fajjar village in southern Bethlehem after raiding and searching their houses. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In the village of Tuqu, located southeast of Bethlehem city in the southern West Bank, clashes erupted in several sites across the village with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opening live fire, rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas bombs onto protesters. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stopped vehicles passing through the Israeli checkpoint at the southern entrance of Bethlehem and checked the IDs of Palestinian passengers. The IOA detained former prisoner Thaer Halahla, 38, after forcing him to exit his vehicle at the checkpoint. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Doha area of Bethlehem city and detained three brothers identified as Moussa, Malek and Hamadeh al-Zghari after raiding and searching their homes. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided al-Saff Street in the city of Bethlehem and detained Naji Abed Hijazi, 43, after raiding and searching his home. (Maannews 28 April 2017)

- The Israeli government has declared that 600 new housing units will be added to Beitar Illit settlement, while 113 new housing units were approved in Gilo settlement in occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 29 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities resumed construction of the illegal separation wall in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem after a three-year hiatus. The Israeli authorities had placed a four-meter high barbed wire fence in the Ein Jweiza area northwest of the village of al-Walaja. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians in the town of Doha south of Bethlehem, one of whom was identified as Muhammad Hasan Ajamiya. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Violent clashes burst out with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Tekou' village, east of Bethlehem after the IOA deployed at a military watchtower established near the western entrance to the village attacked the Palestinians with randomly-unleashed spates of live ammunition and teargas canisters. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

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- Israeli settlers destroyed a water well belonging to a Palestinian resident in the village of al-Khader to the south of the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. A group of settlers destroyed the well under the protection of Israeli occupation Army (IOA). The owner was identified as Ahmad Ghnaim. The 100-square-meter well was built almost 250 years ago and is located near the settlement outpost of 'Sidi Boaz', built illegally on Palestinian-owned land. (WAFA, Maannews 2 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained in Beit Fajjar three teenage boys between 15 and 17 years old, identified as Ahmad Ziyad Deiriyeh, Yasser Zaid Deiriyeh, and Ahmad Sami Deiriyeh. The IOA raided and searched Palestinian homes in Beit Fajjar for more than two hours before detaining them. (Maannews 3 May 2017)
- Dozens of Palestinians including two journalists were injured as Israeli
 Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a march in solidarity with hungerstriking Palestinian prisoners in the southern occupied West Bank city of
 Bethlehem Protesters, demonstrated in solidarity with some 1,600
 Palestinian prisoners who have been consuming only a mixture of salt and

water for 18 days. Clashes erupted as protesters reached Israel's illegal separation wall. Journalist Safiyyeh Omar was injured with a stun grenade in her leg, while photojournalist Abed Hashlamoun was injured with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the leg. Dozens of protesters suffered from severe tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 4 May 2017)

- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians. One detention was identified in the village of Doha near Bethlehem city, and one from the village of Umm Asla. The location of the third detention remained unclear. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers demolished four buildings in the southern occupied West Bank village of al-Walajah days before a court hearing in which the homeowners hoped to appeal the decision. The IOA raided al-Walajah and demolished a 400-square-meter two-story house belonging to Ibrahim Neiroukh. The IOA also demolished two 150-square-meter houses which were under construction. The two buildings belonged to Hamed and Raed Abu Sneineh. Israeli authorities had previously notified the three owners that their houses would be demolished for lacking hard-to-obtain Israeli construction permits, but had given them an opportunity to appeal the decision in front of an Israeli court on May 7. However, the demolitions came three days before the hearing. The IO bulldozers also demolished the two storey house of Wael Hamida in the village. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- The 17-year-old Palestinian minor Mustafa Jamal al-Badn and Ziad Taleb Khalaf, 21, were kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from their homes in Bethlehem's eastern town of Tekou'.
- Dozens of Israeli settlers gathered on the main road of the village of Tuqu in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. Crowds of Israeli settlers closed the main road connecting the Hebron Governorate to the rest of the southern West Bank and chanted "anti-Arab slogans. Israeli settlers waved Israeli flags, while the Israeli army and police raided the village and provided the settlers with security. The IOA had also stationed themselves on rooftops of nearby buildings. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian citizen and his
 two sons during their participation in a procession of vehicles held in
 Masara village, south of Bethlehem, in solidarity with the hunger-striking
 prisoners in Israeli jails. Participants moved from Masara to Jourt ash-

Sham'ah village, where Israeli soldiers at its main entrance intercepted the vehicles and forced everyone aboard them to step out before they rounded up Ahmed Zawahreh and his young sons, Mohamed and Ibrahim. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) confiscated the vehicle of Palestinian prisoner in Israeli jails Hussein al-Sheikh from the village of al-Ma'sara near Bethlehem during a raid in the village. The IOA confiscated the content of the sit-in tent which was set up in the village in support of the 1800 hunger striking Palestinian prisoners and detainees in Israeli jails. (WAFA 7 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) have detained a Palestinian in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem identified as Muhammad Ahmad al-Hadiyeh,30. (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained 16-year-old Muhammad Riyad Sabah from the village of Tuqu and searched his house. (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained the 26-year-old Jihad Muhammad Zawahra from the village of al-Masara and searched his house. (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians in al-Masara who participated in a march held in solidarity with hundreds of Palestinians on hunger strike in Israeli prisons. The IOA prevented the march from continuing and detained Ahmad Zawahra and his two sons Muhammad, 21, and Ibrahim, 18. (Maannews 7 May 2017) (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Aida refugee camp in northern Bethlehem and delivered orders to Mahmoud Riyad Abu Srour, 29, and 19-year-old Mutaz Mahmoud al-Dibs to appear for interrogation at Israel's Etzion detention center. (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- In the Bethlehem Governorate, the Israeli army detained three Palestinians in the village of Tuqu. Residents identified one of them as Muhammad Arif al-Umour. (Maannews 9 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a high school in Tequ village, east of Bethlehem, and arrested the school headmaster. IO soldiers claimed that they were looking for Palestinian youths who allegedly threw stones at settlers' cars on the road adjacent to the school. The IOA arrested the headmaster, Majed al-Shaer, when he tried to prevent IO soldiers from raiding classrooms. Israeli troops were intensively deployed at the

- entrance of the town while makeshift barriers were erected in the area. (PALINFO 9 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Tequ village, east of Bethlehem and arrested Musa Muhammad Al Amour, 18 and Riad Aref Al mour, 14 after raiding their families' houses. The IOA also summoned Jum'a Muhammad Abdel Jaleel, 24, for interrogation at the Gush Etzion detention center after raiding his family house and searching it. (WAFA 9 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem and detained Moussa Muhammad al-Umour and Hassan Khalid al-Badan from the village of Tequ, as well as Mahmoud Ahmad Abu Sway from al-Khader. (Maannews 10 May 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinian youths and Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Bethlehem when Israeli soldiers broke into commercial shops for the confiscation of security cameras. The IO troops stormed a number of shops close to the northern entrance of Bethlehem city and adjacent to al-Ezzah refugee camp and searched shops and confiscated surveillance cameras' records in order to identify Palestinians who threw stones at the Israeli military watchtower in the area. Palestinian young men confronted the incursion by throwing stones at IO soldiers who fired tear gas grenades in order to disperse the protesters. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a peaceful march towards the northern entrance of Bethlehem city in the southern occupied West Bank and held by Residents of Bethlehem in support of some 1,500 Palestinians on a mass hunger strike across Israeli prisons. The IOA fired tear Gas bombs at Participants in an attempt to disperse them. (WAFA 12 May 2017)
- The Palestinian youth Nadim al-Asa, 25, from al-Ubeidiya town to the east of Bethlehem was handed an order to appear before the Israeli Intelligence in Gush Etzion settlement after his family's house was raided and searched. (PALINFO 12 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the entrance to the Bethlehem-area village of al-Khader, in the southern occupied West Bank, due to a marathon for Israeli settlers that set off from occupied East Jerusalem towards the entrance of al-Khader. Israel closed the area as well as a main road in the town of Beit Jala that leads to the village of al-Walaja and several illegal Israeli settlements, from 6 a.m to 9:30 a.m. The IOA deployed heavily in the area around al-Khader and the nearby Route 60

road, which connects Jerusalem to the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron. (Maannews 12 Mya 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians in the village of Nahhalin in the southern Bethlehem Governorate. (Maannews 14 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) quelled a peaceful march that kicked in Bethlehem city in order to mark the anniversary of Palestinian Nakba. The IO soldiers quelled the march at the northern entrance of the city and showered participants with tear gas grenades. Dozens of Palestinians suffered suffocation due to Israeli intensive shooting of tear gas canisters. (WAFA 15 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian from the Aida refugee camp, located in Bethlehem city. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, three Palestinians were detained in the village of Tuqu, one in Husan, and one in Bethlehem city. One of the three detained in Tuqu was a 16-year-old minor. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian young man from al-Khader village, south of Bethlehem city in the West Bank. The 18-year-old Qusai Subaih was rounded up by Israeli soldiers during clashes between them and local young men in Umm Rukba area, south of the village. The skirmishes started after the IOA stormed the area and intended to raid homes. (PALINFO 18 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) disguised as Palestinian protesters "kidnapped" six Palestinian "youths" at gunpoint after infiltrating a crowd of protesters during clashes that erupted at the northern entrance of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired tear-gas canisters and sound bombs at Palestinian protesters, causing many to suffer from severe tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian youth from the Aida refugee camp in the southern occupied West Bank city of Bethlehem during pre-dawn hours. Citizen Yaqoub Hammad Hammad, 22, was detained after the IOA raided and searched his family's home in the camp. (Maannews 20 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Kamal Fawaghrah,
 19, from Al Khader village south of Bethlehem city after raiding his family house in Al Balu' area and searching it. (WAFA 23 May 2017)

- Confrontations erupted between Palestinian youths and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in al-Khader village to the south of Bethlehem city. A 7-year-old child, identified as Hassan Ahmed Issa, was transferred to a local hospital for immediate treatment after he was hit with a tear gas canister in the head. (PALINFO 21 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Israeli settlers sprayed 300 Grape seedlings with pesticides in Ein Al Qassis area west of Al Khader city and destroyed them . The seedlings are owned by Muhammad Abdel Salam Salah. (WAFA 21 May 2017)
- Tuqu' village east of Bethlehem city, arrested Malek al-Amour, 17, and confiscated his father's vehicle after raiding and searching his family's house. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA)handed Hazem al-Badin, 18, from Tuqu', an order to appear before the Israeli Intelligence in Gush Etzion settlement, south of Bethlehem, after raiding and searching his family's house. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the southern entrance of Al Khader village south of Bethlehem city, known as "An Nashash entrance" with iron gate and obstructed the movement of Palestinian vehicles into and out of the village. (WAFA 22 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) confiscated a car of an ex-detainee, Hisham Radayda, in al-Ubaidiyah town south of Bethlehem city, after storming his house and wreaked havoc inside it. (PALINFO 24 May 2017)
- At least two Palestinian children were beaten and detained by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) inside the Aida refugee camp, located in the northern part of Bethlehem city in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA raided the camp in military jeeps at around 9:30 a.m. while students from the camp's United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) school were returning home from their final exams. The soldiers then got out of their jeeps near the camp's cemetery and assaulted two students, whose identities remained unknown. After beating the two, the soldiers threw them into the jeep and took them into a military base located adjacent to the camp. The IOA also raided Aida's Lajee Center, a community organization for refugee youth, and confiscated the center's computers and security camera footage. The IOA prevented the center's employees from entering the building while the soldiers were inside. (Maannews 24 May 2017)

- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Tariq Moussa Ibaiyat, 33, from the town of Beit Sahour, east of Bethlehem city. (Maannews 24 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) along with a group of Israeli settlers besieged Al-Minya Secondary mixed School in the village of Tequ, southeast of Bethlehem city, and prevented students and teachers from leaving the school. One of the settlers expelled the school's students while they were on their way to school allegedly for throwing stones at him. The IOA a fifth-grade student identified as Mahdi al-Kawazba after he was handed over to the IOA by an Israeli settler who claimed that the student threw stones at him. Two other teachers were also arrested and were identified as Muhammad al-Qurna and Khaled Al 'Araysi. (Maannews 25 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained for some hours a female Palestinian youth along with her brother in Al Balou' area in Al Khader village south of Bethlehem city after raiding their family house and ransacking contents. The two were identified as Arwa Ibrahim Al Fawaghra,28 and her brother Ra'fat, 25. (Maannews 25 May 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided and shut down the Jumbo supermarket in the town of Beit Jala, adjacent to Bethlehem city, claiming that the store was selling fireworks to local youth that were being used in clashes against Israeli soldiers. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- In the southern Bethlehem Governorate, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the village of Tuqu east of Bethlehem city and detained two 15-year-old boys, Mumin Ibrahim al-Umour and Salim Samih Misbah. The IOA also ransacked several homes in the village before detaining the two children, and that clashes broke out between soldiers and locals after the detention raids. (Maannews 30 May 2017)

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• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched a Palestinian house in Beit Fajjar village, south of Bethlehem city. The targeted house is owned by Abu Rashid family. (Wafa 2 June 2017)

- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) around Ayda refugee camp, north of Bethlehem city. (Wattan 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured between Palestinian houses around Al Azza refugee camp, and Bab Ezqaz area in Bethlehem city. (Wafa 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed Al Container Military checkpoint, northeast of Bethlehem city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles. (Orient FM 5 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint at the western entrance of Beit Fajjar town, south of Bethlehem city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles, and checked ID cards and assaulted Palestinians. (Wattan 6 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Beit Fajjar village, south of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians and their houses, causing tens of suffocation cases. During the clashes, the IOA invaded and searched dozens of Palestinian houses and questioned the residents. The IOA also, arrested Mohammad Ja'far Mahmoud Taqatiqah (25 years). (Al-Quds 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in Marah Rabah village, south of Bethlehem city. (Orient FM 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities handed out military orders to stop the construction of two animal sheds in Al Bariya area in Ar-Rashayida village, southeast of Bethlehem city. The targeted sheds are owned by: Ali Odeh and Farhan Ali Rashayida. The Israeli Authorities claimed that the targeted sheds located in area classified as "closed military area". (RB2000 7 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers living in Neve Daniyyal settlement escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) razed 15 dunums of Palestinian agricultural land in Thaghir Hamad area in Wadi An Nis village, southwest of Bethlehem city. The targeted land owned by Salah family, and located at the Jerusalem- Hebron road, near Kilo 17 area; adjacent to the aforementioned settlement. (Wafa 8 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ayda refugee camp, north of Bethlehem city, after the IOA stormed and searched tens of Palestinian houses. The IOA fired rubber bullets and teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses. During the

- operation, the IOA arrested Daoud Mahmoud Al Khateb. (Al-Quds 10 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers closed At- Tayba road, which link between Beit Fajjar village in Bethlehem governorate, and Sair town in Hebron governorate. The targeted road length reach to 3 kilometers. (Orient FM 10 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Balo' area in Al Khader village, southwest of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Al-Quds 13 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IAO) stormed Harmala village, southeast of Bethlehem city, and fired stun and teargas grenades at Palestinian houses. (Al-Quds 13 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched a number of Palestinian houses in Janata village, southeast of Bethlehem city. The IOA questioned the residents and checked their ID cards. (Al-Quds 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in Khallit An-Nahla area in Wadi Rahal village, south of Bethlehem city. (RB2000 15 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ayda refugee camp, north of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired live and rubber bullets, and teargas and stun grenades, causing the injury of two Palestinians. During the clashes, the IOA invaded and searched tens of Palestinian houses and arrested Mohammad Al Amir and Anas Nabhan. The IOA transferred the arrestees to unknown location. (Shasha News 16 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched a Palestinian house in Hindaza village, east of Bethlehem city. The targeted house is owned by Al 'Ajouri family. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA. (Safa 21 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a number of Palestinian commercial stores in Ad-Doha town in Bethlehem governorate, and checked the record of the security cameras. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas and stun grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Safa & Wafa 21 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched tens of Palestinian Two of the targeted houses are owned by Nassar Nassar and Khalid Yaghmour. houses in "Al Iskan area" in Beit Jala town in Bethlehem governorate. (Orient FM 21 June 2017)

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- Israeli settlers steal Bethlehem villages water supply. Palestinian residents in the villages surrounding Bethlehem are suffering from a shortage of water as their supply is stolen by illegal settlers living in the area, Quds-*Net* reported yesterday. Head of Al-Rashaydeh Village Council Fawwaz Rashaydeh said the shortage was caused by the use of settlers in the nearby settlements. Adding that priority is given to the settlements and Israeli factories and not Palestinian communities. "At night, the Israeli settlers close the water supply to the two villages [Al-Rashaydeh and Rawa'en]." The head of the village council called for the responsible bodies to solve the problem of the two villages, reiterating this is the most important issue for the villages who depend on livestock for their income. He noted that there are 20,000 sheep and 500 camels in both villages. (Middle East Monitor 22 June 2017)
- Crews from Israeli Civil Administration escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Khirbet 'Aliya in Al Khader village, southwest of Bethlehem city, and handed out halt construction orders that targeted four house, an agricultural room and a mobile house. The targeted structures are owned by: Ahmed Mahmoud Yacoub Salah and his two sons; Sameh and Samir, Nasri Mahmoud Yacoub Salah, and Sameh Salah. (Wattan & NBPRS 22 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted and injured Mohammad Jamel Radidah (22 years) and Jehad Jamal Radidah (21 years) from Al Ubidiya town, east of Bethlehem city, while they were near the Segregation wall in Wadi Abu Al Homus area near Al Khas and An-No'man village, east of Bethlehem city. (Wafa 23 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) around Al Khader international Stadium in Al Khader village, southwest of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians. (Pal Info 23 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a number of commercial stores in Ad Doha town in Bethlehem city, and seized the records of the security cameras. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas and stun grenades, and live bullets, causing tens of suffocation cases and the injury of a Palestinian. (Wafa 24 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired Illumination grenades at Palestinian lands around Solomon Pools in 'Artas village, southwest of Bethlehem city, causing the torch of the land. (NBPRS 25 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Khader village, southwest of Bethlehem city and fired teargas grenades at Palestinian houses, causing tens of suffocation cases. During the operation, the IOA arrested Bassam Na'im Al Balbol. (Al-Quds 26 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Khader village, southwest of Bethlehem city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians and their houses. (Wattan 27 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in several areas and neighborhoods in Al Khader village, and Ad Doha and Beit Jala towns in Bethlehem governorate. (Al- Quds 29 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ad Duheisha refugee camp, south of Bethlehem city, after the IOA invade and searched tens of Palestinian houses, and arrested two Palestinians, identified as: Mohammad Omar Taha Salah (from Al Khader village, but he was in Ad Duheisha refugee camp during the operation), Manal Abu Yabes, Ismail Al Mughrabi and Mahmoud Da'amsah, and summoned Ibrahim Khalid Ziyada to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion settlement bloc. During the clashes, the IOA fired teargas and stun grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Al-Quds & Pal Info & Wafa 30 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ad Doha town in Bethlehem governorate. The IOA used rubber bullets and teargas grenades to attack Palestinians. (Al-Quds 30 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers living in Betar Illit settlement stormed a Palestinian agricultural land in Al Fawar area, south of Wadi Fukin village, west of Bethlehem city, uprooted plantings, destroyed two plastic houses, and wrote anti-Palestinian slogans. The targeted land and plastic houses are owned by: Maher Asaf, Jamel Asaf, Mohammad Salah Asaf and Naem Daoud Atiya. (RB2000 30 June 2017)

<u> Jenin Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)</u>

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- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the house of the prisoner Mahmoud Shraim in Jenin to the north of West Bank, violently searched the house and brutally attacked Shraim's family members. Violently clashes broke out following the raid. (PALINFO 1 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) sentenced the member of the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) Ibrahim Dahbour to an administrative prison-term, with neither charge nor trial. The IOA issued an administrative sentence against Dahbour for an undefined period of time. MP Dahbour was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation forces on March 22 at a makeshift checkpoint set up near Arraba town, southwest of Jenin, in the northern West Bank. The Israeli soldiers also seized his car, before they dragged him to an unknown destination. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- A Palestinian man, identified as Nidal Bahjat Abdul-Hadi, 50, from Jenin refugee camp, in the northern West Bank city of Jenin, was abducted while crossing through al-Karama Border Terminal on his way back home from Jordan. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raked through al-Sila al-Harithiya, al-Yamon, Zabbuba, and Rummana villages in the hunt for the alleged anti-occupation gunmen. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) rolled into Jenin at the crack of dawn and ravaged Palestinian homes and commercial shops in the city's western corners. The IOF further seized surveillance cameras and sealed off the Jenin-Haifa access road with a makeshift checkpoint, where Palestinian vehicles and passengers were subjected to intensive inspection. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) blocked the Jenin-Nablus road near Arraba junction, southwest of Jenin city in the West Bank, and interrogated Palestinian citizens. Israeli soldiers aboard four patrol vehicles were stationed at the junction and embarked on intercepting passing vehicles and checking the IDs of Palestinian passengers. Some citizens were detained for a while and exposed to interrogation by soldiers, while several cars were searched selectively. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)

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- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Palestinian worker Amer Ziyoud, 28, from Silat al-Harithiya village, west of Jenin city. The worker was rounded up while passing through Bartaa military checkpoint to the south of the village. (PALINFO 5 April 2017).
- Several military vehicles invaded Qalandia refugee camp, north of Jerusalem, also searched homes, and abducted 'Ayed Abu Ghosh, Salim Abu Ghosh and Salem Abu Ghosh. Salem is the father of Hussein Abu Ghosh, 24, who was killed by Israeli army fire, on January 25th 2017. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers invaded Fahma village, south of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, violently searched homes and abducted three Palestinians, including a local lawyer whose car was illegally confiscated. The three abducted Palestinians were identified as abducted Shafiq Mahmoud Sa'abna, 27, Salam Sa'abna, and lawyer Luay Ahmad Sa'abna, 35. The army caused excessive damage to the searched homes, and confiscated the car of the abducted lawyer, before moving the three Palestinians to an unknown destination. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli soldiers invaded Jenin refugee camp, in Jenin city, in the northern part of the occupied West Bank, and abducted Islam Ali 'Azayza, 21. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) summoned two Palestinians from Al Yamun village west of Jenin city for interrogation at Salem Military cite after raiding their houses in the village. The summoned Palestinians were identified as Abdullah Hasan Taher Zayed and Muhamamd Abu Abeid. (WAFA 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) summoned Muhammad Omar Murtada, 24, from Burqin village west of Jenin city. (WAFA 7 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) carried out raids in Jenin Governorate where two Palestinians were rounded up in Sanur town, south of the city. Dozens of Israeli soldiers stormed the village in the early morning and arrested two youngsters after breaking-into their family homes. The arrestees have been identified as Ahmad Nayef 'Ayasa, 25, and Mohammad Khaled 'Ayasa, 23. (PALINFO 10 April 2017)
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- Overnight, Palestinian youngster Iyad Dabaya was kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) as he was passing through a flying military checkpoint pitched east of Jenin Governorate, in the northern West Bank, near Haddad Resort. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stopped Palestinian civilians at military checkpoints set up near the main entrance to Qabatiya town, south of Jenin, and subjected them to intensive questioning. (PALINFO 16 April 2016)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOF) stormed different towns and areas south of Jenin Governorate, with no reported arrests. Israeli soldiers aboard seven military vehicles spread through Qabatiya plains and combed the area. An Israeli military force also stormed the towns of Fahmah and Kafr Ra'I in Jenin and clashed with local young men, who hurled stones at them. Soldiers also set up a military checkpoint on the road leading to Ya'bad town, south of Jenin, intercepted Palestinian vehicles and interrogated citizens. (PALINFO 17 April 2017)
- Several Palestinians suffered Gas Inhalation as the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired Tear Gas bombs at Palestinian houses in Al Yamun village west of Jenin city. (WAFA 18 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized \$100,000 in addition to golden jewelry from the home of Khaled Ziyoud in Silat al-Harithiya village, west of Jenin. The IOA stormed Ziyoud home and searched it thoroughly and confiscated 66,000 Jordanian Dinars (around 100,000 US dollars) that he got after reaching a family reconciliation agreement. Israeli officer who led the incursion threatened him that he would confiscate his house

furniture in addition to the car if he refused to give him the money. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the villages of at-Tayba, Rummanah and Zububa, west of Jenin city in the West Bank, interrogated citizens and set up roadblocks. The IOA interrogated citizens and raided homes in at-Tayba villages. The IOA also erected barriers on a road between the villages of at-Tayba and Rummanah, intercepted cars, checked IDs of passengers and questioned some of them. An Israeli military force was also seen combing the open area near the separation wall in Zububa town and another one set up a checkpoint on a road leading to al-Fahmah village in the vicinity of Zahrat al-Fanjan landfill, south of Jenin. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Anin in Jenin Governorate, and carried out wide-scale search in the agricultural areas and homes. No arrests were reported. (Wafa 25 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) physically assaulted a young man from Jenin city as he arrived aboard his vehicle at a makeshift checkpoint north of the city. The IOA set up a checkpoint on al-Zababdeh road, south of Jenin, where they intercepted the car of 20-year-old Ibrahim al-Saadi, ripped its seats during their search for something, and severely beat him. The soldiers did not arrest Saadi and let him go after they wreaked havoc inside his car. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) embarked on bulldozing vast tracts of annexed Palestinian land, south of Jenin city, in order to expand the illegal settlement of Shaked. Israeli bulldozers leveled about 30 dunums of land belonging to Daher al-Maleh village near Ya'bad town, south of Jenin. The annexed lands, which are isolated by the Israeli separation wall, belong to Palestinian citizens from the families of al-Khatib and Zaid al-Kilani. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The 21-year-old Yasser Hanun, from Jenin camp, was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) after he turned himself in to questioning at Salem military site. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The 17-year-old Kasem al-Haj was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) as he passed through a military checkpoint set up near Kadim settlement outpost, east of Jenin Governorate. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)

- Two Palestinians—Abdul Nasser Jaradat, 26, and Kamel Jaradat, 20—were kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from their homes in Zabouba, west of Jenin. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities bulldozed structures and land at the entrance to village of Arraba in the northern West Bank Governorate of Jenin, after four Palestinian families were ordered to leave the area. Muhammad Abu Hantash, owner of a local ceramics store said that Israeli soldiers raided the area and ordered the residents, who also raise livestock there, to leave for alleged security reasons. After razing the area, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) blocked it off with cement blocks to prevent locals from accessing the site. (Maannews 26 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Authorities and Army (IOA) seized 60 tons of woods and demolished a structure in the village of Yabad, southwest of the city of Jenin in the occupied West Bank. The IOA raided an area in Yabad where coal is produced and manufactured, seized 60 tons of wood owned by Rafiq Zaid and Mahmoud Abu Baker and demolished a coal production shop that belongs to Abu Baker. The IOA brought trucks to load the wood, which was taken to an unknown destination, and a bulldozer to demolish the shop. (WAFA 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) sealed off Jenin-Haifa thoroughfare with a makeshift checkpoint, where Palestinian vehicles and civilians have been subjected to intensive inspection. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- In the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Jenin, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Abd al-Nasser Jaradat and Kamil Hussam Jaradat from the village of Zububa, while Yasser Mustafa Hanoun and Qasim al-Hajj were detained from the Jenin refugee camp. Hanoun was detained after responding to a summons from Israeli intelligence forces, while al-Hajj was detained near the illegal settlement of Kaddim close to the city of Jenin. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a 24-year-old youth, a resident of the town of Qabatiya to the south of Jenin, at a flying Israeli military checkpoint erected at Nablus-Ramallah road. (WAFA 29 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed at dawn a number of evacuated outposts south of Jenin to the north of West Bank. A group of settlers accompanied with IOA stormed the evacuated sites for the third consecutive day. Meanwhile, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) had been

deployed for long hours on the bypass road east of Jenin. (PALINFO 29 April 2017)

- Tens of Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the evacuated settlement site in Jenin Governorate, namely Tersalah, near Sanur village south of Jenin city and chanted anti-Palestinian slogans. (WAFA 30 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed Shavei Shomron checkpoint linking between Jenin and Nablus Governorates and carried out a thorough search in the area. (WAFA 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from Jenin refugee camp in the northern occupied West Bank, identified as Munir Ahmad Abed al-Rahman Salama, 21, Muslim Saed Masarwa,18, and Amid Ibrahim Arsan, 20, after their homes were raided and searched. The raid sparked clashes between locals and Israeli soldiers, and resident of the camp Wiam Hanoun was shot and injured in the foot with a live bullet. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- A Palestinian youth was shot and injured with a live bullet fired by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during clashes that broke out in Jenin refugee camp. The IOA carried out a military raid in the camp and broke into several homes, provoking residents and leading to clashes. The IOA used live ammunition, stun grenades and tear gas canisters against the residents, shooting and injuring a youth, in his early 20s, with a live bullet in the foot. The IOA detained three Palestinians aged 18, 20, and 21 during the raid. (wafa 30 April 2017)

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- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) seized a Palestinian vehicle belonging to Mustafa Jameel Khatib, a resident of the village of Daher al-Maleh, southwest of Jenin, while he was in the nearby village of Umm al-Rayhan. (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammada Taher Yousif Abu Ali from Qabatyia town near Jenin Governorate at a sudden checkpoint that was erected between Jenin and Ramallah Governorates. (WAFA 5 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian citizen, from Qabatiya town in Jenin, at a makeshift checkpoint on a road leading to

Ramallah city. The detainee was identified as 20-year-old Adham Qarqish and was kidnapped after intercepting a public car he was aboard. (PALINFO 6 May 2017)

- A ten-year-old Palestinian girl was hospitalized after a wild boar attacked her in the village of al-Yamun northwest of Jenin in the northern occupied West Bank, as a result of Israeli settlers deliberately releasing wild boars in the area. The child, Alaa Kamil Hoshiya, was bit on her hand and was also suffering from shock. The girl was attacked in al-Khirbeh area of al-Yamun. (Maannews 6 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Adham Ahmad Qarqeish from Qabatyia town south of Jenin city while on his was to Ramallah at a sudden checkpoint that was suddenly erected by the IOA. (WAFA 6 May 2017)
- Israeli soldiers kidnapped a Palestinian citizen, from Qabatiya town in Jenin, at a makeshift checkpoint on a road leading to Ramallah city. The detainee was identified as 20-year-old Adham Qarqish and was kidnapped after intercepting a public car he was aboard. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers razed the lands of a former Israeli military camp in Arraba town to the south of Jenin city. Several Israeli patrols stormed the former camp, Dotan, and IO soldiers were deployed in the site as an Israeli bulldozer started razing it. The bulldozing of the site was carried out for no known reasons, and was conducted several times in the recent months in the same area accompanied by searching and combing operations. Despite withdrawing from the camp 12 years ago, the Israeli occupation authorities still refuse to return the lands to their owners and ban entry to the area even after its evacuation. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- Tens of Israeli settlers raided the evacuated Tersallah site near Sanur village south of Jenin city whereas the Israeli occupation Army intensified its presence in the area. The settlers performed religious rituals and chanted anti-arab slogans. (WAFA 8 May 2017)
- A large Israeli force broke into the eastern area of Nablus city late at night and confiscated equipment used for the construction of a new road in Rujeib village. The IOA claimed that the construction works are conducted in Area C which is supposed to be under Israeli control according to the Oslo Agreement. (PALINFO 8 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) confiscated several Palestinian cars in Barta'a ash-Sharqiya village, which is isolated by Israel's separation wall

and located south of Jenin Governorate in the West Bank. Dozens of Israeli troops spread throughout the industrial zone of the village and prevented anyone from leaving or entering it. The troops seized about 12 Palestinian vehicles, took them to an undeclared place and interrogated the workers of auto repair workshops. (PALINFO 9 May 2017)

- A group of Jewish settlers rioted at the site of an evicted settlement south
 of Jenin city in the northern West Bank under protection of Israeli
 occupation Army (IOA). Settlers, escorted by IOA, came to the site by bus.
 The soldiers were earlier deployed in the area of the settlement, which
 was evicted in 2005, to provide protection for the settlers. Settlers chanted
 racist anti-Arab slogans calling for killing and expelling Palestinians. They
 also performed Talmudic rituals before exiting the place. (PALINFO 9
 May 2017)
- In Jenin, violent clashes broke out between local young men and Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at the main entrance to Qabatiya town in the south. The IOA soldiers intercepted Palestinian cars and citizens on a road near the petrol station between Burqin and Qabatiya towns, without making arrests. (PALINFO, 10 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the Salem military barrier west of Jenin city at the pretext of arresting a young man in possession of an explosive device. Israeli soldiers arrested a Palestinian young man at the road barrier, closed it and prevented relatives and lawyers of prisoners from going to the military Salem court. An Israeli officer told citizens at the barrier to leave the area, claiming there was an explosive device to be dealt with later by special teams. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- The residents of the village of Yabad to south of Jenin to the north of the West Bank were surprised on the 6th of May, 2017 by the Israeli occupation authorities' military order to confiscate the village's lands as part of an ongoing plan to target the village. The (IOA) handed over a decision to the Yabad inhabitants, which states confiscating land from the village at a total of 9,858 dunums of land, along the adjacent bypass road to the south of the village, in a clear violation of private property of citizens. The IOA informed the citizens in an arbitrary manner that their land was confiscated, noting that vast fields of these lands are planted with olives. The IOA published a list of names of citizens whose lands were confiscated. The decision issued by the Israeli occupation army states that it aims at "seizing the land for security purposes" based on "special security conditions in the region and the need to take action (vis-

à-vis such conditions)." The Israeli occupation authorities issued a list, which includes 59 of the affected people as a result of this order, in the town of Yabad. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched two Palestinian houses in al-Yamun town to the west of Jenin city and interrogated their owners. (PALINFO 12 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot two Palestinians with live ammunition after an Israeli military detention raid into Jenin refugee camp sparked clashes between locals and Israeli soldiers. The IOA raided the camp before dawn and proceeded to search houses while firing live bullets and tear gas at Palestinians, sparking clashes with local youth. Citizens Yazan Muhammad Jaaisa, 20, and Majdi Abu Jelda, 15, sustained gunshot wounds. The IOA also raided several houses in the camp, and detained Muhammad Mahmoud Ar'arawi, 17, and Yaseen Ali Amouri, 18, and Mustafa Abu Jelda, 18. (Maannews 14 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained six Palestinians in Jenin in the northernmost Governorate of the West Bank. (Maannews 14 May 2017)
- A raid into Jenin refugee camp sparked clashes between Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and local youth. The IOA shot one resident in the leg with a live bullet. Locals identified one of those detained as Yassin al-Amuri. (Maannews 14 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained citizen Yazeed NIdal As Sa'di, 20, from Jenin city after raiding his house in Bour Saed street in Jenin city. (Maannews 15 May 2017)
- A violent military raid into Jenin refugee camp sparked clashes with Palestinians. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinians, and 20-year-old camp resident Wahid Yousif al-Ghoul was shot and injured with a rubber-coated steel bullet in his lower extremities. The IOA indiscriminately fired stun grenades and tear gas inside the densely populated refugee camp, leading several locals to suffer from tear gas suffocation. A second Palestinian was also shot in the raid. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- In the town of Qabatiya south Jenin city, the Israeli occupation army (IOA) said one Palestinian was detained, identified by locals as Sabri Assaf. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- Five Palestinians were detained in the village of al-Zababida, four of whom identified by locals as Tariq Mahmoud Nabhan, brothers Ahmad

and Nadim Bassam Sharqawi, and Bashar Ibrahim Abbas. (Maannews 17 May 2017)

- Israeli Occupation army (IOA) destroyed eight coal production facilities and two sheds outside the town of Ya'bad, west of Jenin in northern West Bank. The IOA broke into the area and demolished and burnt eight coalproduction facilities and two sheds owned by Mahmoud Jaber Abu Baker and Majdi Amarneh. (WAFA 18 May 2017)
- Clashes erupted between local Palestinians and the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Silat Ad Daher village south of Jenin city where the latter fired tear gas bombs at protestors causing tens of suffocation cases. (WAFA 22 May 2017).
- Israeli machinery and bulldozers escorted by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) razed land near Arraba military camp in Jenin, and prevented Palestinian land owners and herders from coming near the area. (WAFA 22 May, 2017)
- In Jenin city, clashes broke out at dawn after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Ya'bad village and assaulted local residents. The IOA fired tear gas canisters and bullets. (PALINFO 23 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a 16-year-old Palestinian minor after storming his family home in Yaabad town, southwest of Jenin, in the northern West Bank. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned citizen Islam Bilal Jarban, 27,from Rummana village, for interrogation at Salem military camp west of Jenin city after raiding the village and storming his family house. (WAFA 26 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) brutalized Palestinian citizens in areas
 west of Jenin city in the West Bank, especially the villages of Zububa,
 Rummanah and at-Tayba. Israeli soldiers bullied and maltreated citizens,
 including teenagers, in the villages at the pretext of looking for young
 men accused of sabotaging the separation wall in the area. (PALINFO 27
 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained for long hours four teenagers from Zububa village after arresting them in an area near the Salem military base. The detainees were identified a Mohamed Abu Labda, Mohamed Jaradat and Nidal Hasan and Rami Jaradat. (PALINFO 27 May 2017)
- Clashes burst out after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) rolled into Jenin refugee camp, in the northern West Bank, and kidnapped the

Palestinian young man Salam Sa'abna as he passed through a makeshift checkpoint pitched near the main entrance to Arraba town, south of Jenin. (PALINFO 28 May 2017)

- In Jenin area, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian from the village of Fahma, south of Jenin, at a flying checkpoint near the village. (WAFA 28 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a 22-year-old Palestinian man from Jenin on his return from Saudi Arabia where he performed Umrah. The Israeli intelligence apparatus questioned Ibrahim Abu Baker at the crossing for hours. He was then arrested and taken to an unknown destination. (PALINFO 29 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Kherbit Abduallah Al Younis near Barta'a village in Jenin Governorate in the northern West Bank, stormed the house of Abdel Raheem Hasan Qabha, 17 years, searched his house and detained him. (SAFA 30 May 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Jenin Governorate during the month of June 2017

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed At-Tayba village, northwest of Jenin city, and declared it as "Closed military zone", where the IOA prevented Palestinians from entering or leaving the village. (RB2000 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint at the entrance of Rummana village, northwest of Jenin city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (ARN 12 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected military checkpoints at the entrance of Rummana and Zububa villages, northwest of Jenin city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Safa 14 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched a Palestinian house in Fahma village, southwest of Jenin city, and questioned the residents. The targeted house is owned by Ahmed Abed Al Latif Nawasrah. (Wafa 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched areas and neighborhoods at the eastern part of Jaba village, southwest of Jenin city. (Wafa 15 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded, searched and toured in the eastern neighborhoods and areas in Jaba village, southwest of Jenin city. (Wafa 16 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated an agricultural tractor after raiding a Palestinian land in Al Jalamah village, north of Jenin city. The targeted tractor is owned by 'Adi Fayad. (Orient FM & NBPRS 21 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a Palestinian farm in Deir Abu De'if village, east of Jenin city. (Wafa 23 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and toured in areas in Jalqamus village, southeast of Jenin city. (Wafa 23 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoints at the entrance of Jaba village, southwest of Jenin city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Wafa 24 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) intensified its presences in Marj Ben Amer area near the Israeli Segregation wall at the western part of Jenin governorate. The IOA searched the area and questioned Palestinian farmers. (Pal Info 29 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint at Jenin-Haifa road in Jenin city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Pal Info 29 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed the road link between Ti'innik and Zububa villages, northwest of Jenin city. (Pal Info 29 June 2017)

Jerusalem Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Jerusalem Governorate during the month of April 2017

- Israeli police detained two Palestinians from occupied East Jerusalem over alleged online incitement. The two youths, ages 20 and 24, were detained separately for individually posting on Facebook "praising the acts of terrorists and supporting the attacks on security forces." Homes of the two detained Palestinians were searched and the courts had extended their detentions. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Silwan town south of Jerusalem city and took them to one of the detention

- centers in Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as Ahmad and Muhamamd Zeidani and Sultan Sarhan. (WAFA 2 April 2017)
- 67 Israeli settlers stormed the plazas of holy al-Aqsa Mosque via the Maghareba Gate. Israeli policemen escorted 67 Israelis as they toured the al-Aqsa place of worship during the morning break-in shift. A round of sacrilegious rituals was performed by the Israeli settlers all the way through the break-in. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- The Ma'ale Adumim Economic Development Company published last week a tender for the construction of the new project which will be established on an area of about 100 dunums on unorganized lands. These lands, which are located to the east of the industrial area of Mishor Adumim, were claimed to be "state lands". The minimum price of the land as stated in the tender is one million shekels. The company said that the cost of the development projects it will implement in Ma'ale Adumim is 1.2 million shekels. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- Israeli organizations of the alleged Temple of Solomon called on settlers to participate in massive incursions into al-Aqsa Mosque starting. The calls were posted on social media in preparation for the Passover Jewish holiday which starts mid of April. Settlers were urged to attend an event of the so called "Passover sacrifice" next Thursday which is to be held in the Umayyad palaces area adjacent to the southern wall of al-Aqsa Mosque. The announced programs include events in al-Buraq Wall area and others in the Old City of Occupied Jerusalem in addition to massive incursions into al-Aqsa Mosque for performing Talmudic rituals at the Muslims' holy shrine. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers abducted six Palestinians, including two children, from their homes in several parts of occupied East Jerusalem. It identified the abducted Palestinians as Mohammad Ateyya, Noureddin Mheisin, Ali Bader, Ahmad Zaghal, Sultan Farhan, 12, and Ahmad Zidani, 13. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed al-Issawiya village, in eastern Occupied Jerusalem, and kidnapped the Palestinian boy Mohamed Atiyeh after they wreaked havoc on his family home. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- A round of overnight clashes burst out in Shu'fat refugee camp, in Occupied Jerusalem between IOF soldiers and a group of Palestinian antioccupation youths. During the clashes, the occupation soldiers stormed the home of the Palestinian ex-prisoner Khaled al-Haddad. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Shu'fat refugee camp, in Occupied Jerusalem, and slapped steep fines against Palestinian drivers. An Israeli patrol broke into Shu'fat through a nearby military checkpoint then the soldiers started to fine Palestinian drivers on unjustified grounds. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished a horse stable in Sharafat south of Jerusalem city under the pretext of unlicensing. (WAFA 4 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished an under-construction house in Jabal Al Mukkabir town in occupied East Jerusalem, under the pretext of unlicensing. (WAFA 4 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers demolished fourteen apartments, in addition to an agricultural room and four walls, in "Sheikh 'Anbar" area, in Zaim village, east of occupied East Jerusalem, reportedly for being built without permits. Dozens of soldiers, and personnel of the Jerusalem City Council, invaded the village and demolished three residential buildings and one flat. The demolished properties were three residential buildings of thirteen apartments; one of the buildings had two apartments; in addition to three-story and four-story buildings, each floor had two apartments. The demolished properties are owned by Othman Abu Sbeitan, Ahmad Shanbar, and Ayman ad-Daya. One of the buildings was ready for families to move in, and one was still under-construction, in addition to an already inhabited building where a family of eleven lived. Furthermore, Israeli bulldozers demolished five walls belonging to the families of 'Algam, Natsha and al-'Abbassi, in addition to demolishing an agricultural shed, owned by members of Algam family. The soldiers also handed Issa Metwer, from Zaim village, a demolition order targeting his residential building of four apartments. (IMEMC 4 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers invaded homes in Silwan town, south of Jeruaslem city and abducted a young man, identified as Khaled az-Zeer, before moving him to an interrogation center. (IMEMC 5 April 2017).
- A Jerusalem family from Beit Hanina town, north of occupied East Jerusalem, demolished its own home, to avoid excessively high penalties and fines, imposed by the City Council, in addition to the extremely expensive bills it would pay, if the city demolished their property. The house was built fifteen years ago, and the property has been providing shelter to several persons. The family has no other option but to demolish

its own home, because the bills the Council would send after demolishing the home would be as high as 250.000 Israeli Shekels. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)

- Fayez Abdul-Latif Ja'abees and his brother Suleiman had to demolish their homes, also to avoid the high fines and fees, after the City Council denied all appeals. The two homes were built three years ago, each of 150 square/meters, and housed sixteen Palestinians, including twelve children. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
- The Jerusalem municipality and the Jerusalem Development Authority want to build a suspension bridge over the Ben-Hinnom Valley, between the neighborhood of Abu Tor and Mount Zion. The plan was presented Monday for discussion in the local building and planning committee. However, in light of opposition by City Councilwoman Laura Wharton (Meretz), the committee's legal adviser instructed the discussion to be taken off the agenda because it had been submitted at the last minute and lacked information. The bridge, set to be 197 meters long, or about 650 feet, and 30 meters off the ground, is planned mainly for use by tourists. Most of it will be situated in the former no-man's land that separated Israel and Jordan before the Six-Day War. "City officials are once again making a grab in the planning committee and pouring more public money into a project that will infuriate the international community. It's a pity, because there is a great deal of serious work to do in Jerusalem and there is no reason to invest in turning the city into an amusement park," Wharton said. Wharton added: "The Jerusalem Development Authority has already wasted much time and resources in this bizarre plan, thanks to the fact that Nir Barkat is still the city's mayor on paper and at the same time, has been serving as [the authority's] temporary chairman for the past three years. If Barkat keeps this up, he can at least give up the huge PR budgets and rely on the state comptroller to give him prominence." The municipality said in response: "No political argument was raised in the meeting, because the area in question has been within the State of Israel since its founding. This is not a grab by anyone and the request [for discussion of the plan] was placed on the agenda because the committee is going on Passover recess." The city added: The committee members asked for more time to examine the request, which was submitted a short time before the meeting, and so they asked to bring it to the next meeting. The legal adviser saw the request as reasonable and therefore recommended

that discussion be postponed. In light of this, the committee chairman decided to postpone the discussion. The bridge is part of the previous Jerusalem development plan and the municipality will continue to promote other plans in the area." During the 19 years in which the city was divided, most of the area stretching from Jaffa Gate through the Ben-Hinnom Valley was completely abandoned and neglected, strewn with destroyed and crumbling buildings. (Haaretz 5 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities banned at least five Palestinians from entering Al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem for periods between 30 days and six months. Israeli intelligence detained and summoned several Palestinians from Jerusalem and issued orders banning them from entering Al-Aqsa Mosque, including two Islamic Endowment (Waqf) employees working at the holy site. Israeli intelligence delivered the orders to the Head of the Informaton department Tareq Marwan al-Hashlamun and Al-Aqsa guard Hamzeh Nimr, banning both from the holy site for six months. The Israeli occupation Authorities also detained Jamil al-Abbasi as he was leaving the mosque, transferred him for interrogation at al-Qishla police station, and gave him an order banning him from Al-Aqsa for four months. Several others were delivered orders banning them from Al-Aqsa for 30 days. Abu Asab was also summoned for interrogation. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Khalid al-Zir after raiding his house in Silwan, and released him later after giving him an order banning him from al-Aqsa for 30 days and imposing a 2,000 shekel (\$547) fine. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- Two Palestinian young men were kidnapped by an Israeli undercover unit from Jerusalem's town of al-Issawiya. The Israeli undercover unit kidnapped the two Palestinian youngsters Dhiaa Ubeid and Namer Mahmoud. Both detainees were transferred to Israeli detention centers in Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Mount of Olives Hotel in At Tur area in occupied East Jerusalem and arrested a Palestinian from Gaza who has been living in the Hotel for almost a month and undergoing medical treatment. (SAFA 6 April 2017)
- 49 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem city via Bab Al Magharbeh (Al Mughrabi Gate) escorted by the Israeli occupation Police, carried out provocative actions and chanted Talmudic rituals. (WAFA 6 April 2017)

- The Israeli municipality of Jerusalem issued an evacuation order for three housing apartments in the Wadi Hilweh area of the occupied East Jerusalem neighborhood of Silwan owing to fractures and cracks formed at the base of the houses, as Israeli authorities continue work on a tunnel network expected to be used to provide services to Israeli settlers. The houses belong to Hamed Oweida, Abed Oweida, and Suleiman Oweida. Sixteen family members, including ten children, reside in the houses. Oweida family said that the Israeli tunnel-digging under their homes has increased over the past three days, adding that loud noises from the digging emanate for several hours, while the family could feel their houses shaking during the construction. The digging has caused severe damage of fractures and cracks in the walls and the bases of the houses. the Israeli authorities are creating a tunnel network for Israeli settlers, being constructed directly under the Oweida family's house. the Israeli authorities began work under the neighborhood in 2007. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- A bid was put forth by Israel's Western Wall Heritage Foundation to establish the infrastructure of the so-called Haliba Judaization project in Occupied Jerusalem. The bid suggests to construction of a two-story building covering up to 4,000 meters and comprising exhibition halls and a guest room. The projected bid will be built in an area located just dozens of meters away from the southern wall of holy al-Aqsa Mosque. The Beit Haliba project falls in with Israel's western wall plan, in reference to a scheme targeting the historic Buraq Wall. Beit Haliba plan was advanced by the fanatic Israeli rabbi Shmuel Rabinowitz who pushed for transforming the Buraq Square into a space for holding Jewish parties. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
- The Israeli Knesset approved Amendment 109 of the Planning and Building Law by a margin of 44 to 33. The Law is expected to bring reforms in enforcement against the widespread phenomenon of illegal building. Prime Minister Netanyahu said that the Law will lead to a historic level of equality. "The government which I head has invested, and continues to invest more than any other [previous] government in the Arab sector in order to close the existing gaps in education, wages, culture, as well as health." Israeli Arabs want to be a part of the State of Israel, they want to be a part of the prosperity of Israel's economy, they want to be a part of the future of the State of Israel, of all the citizens of Israel, and therefore we are investing like no government before us has

done. We want the integration of the Arab public into the State of Israel, but that also means integrating with the laws of the State of Israel." "We are making a historic 'repair' today that enables equal enforcement of building laws. We are doing this not only with respect to the Arab sector, but are increasing enforcement in all parts of the land and for all citizens of the country," he asserted. "One state, one law, one enforcement. This is what we did today, and I thank you for the passage of this important law," the Prime Minister concluded. The Regavim organization, which deals with land ownership issues and works to fight illegal building in Israel, said in response that "this is one of the most important laws passed by the Knesset in recent years. It is likely to bring about a revolution in the struggle of enforcement authorities against illegal building, which has been a 'state plague' for decades." "We hope that law enforcement authorities will utilize the tools granted them by the Knesset today, actively and wisely, strengthening the sovereignty of the State of Israel over all its land - especially in the Negev and Galilee," the organization said. (<u>INN</u> 6 April 2017)

- A group of Palestinian worshipers performed Friday prayers at the Lion's Gate outside the walls to the Old City in occupied East Jerusalem, in protest of the Israeli ban against them, preventing them from entering the Al-Aqsa mosque for prayers for time periods ranging between one to six months, for various reasons. Israeli forces deployed in the area during the prayer and detained two youths identified as Hamza Milhis and Muhammad al-Shalabi for allegedly being banned from approaching the gates of Al-Aqsa. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- An Israeli court sentenced two Palestinian children from Occupied Jerusalem to house arrest and steep fines. 14-year-old Yazen Faroukh and 12-year-old Youssef Hijazi, from Jerusalem's town of Silwan, were sentenced to house confinement and ordered to pay 2,000 shekels each to be released from Israeli custody. Both minors were arrested by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and subjected to intensive interrogation in an Israeli detention center in Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 7 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation police assaulted worshipers participating in the march of the Palm Sunday near Al Asbat Gate in occupied east Jerusalem, and arrested a number of them. The Israeli occupation police attacked worshipers who carried flags of the State of Palestine on their way to the Church of St. Hanna in the occupied city. Police also confiscated and desecrated Palestinian flags. (WAFA 9 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained at least 30 Palestinians during raids in occupied East Jerusalem and banned them from the Al-Agsa Mosque compound, while three Palestinians from northern Israel were also banned from the holy site over a Facebook post related to Passover, amid a security crackdown imposed by Israel leading up to the Jewish holiday. The majority of the 30 Jerusalemites were later released, after Israeli authorities banned them from entering the Al-Agsa Mosque compound in Jerusalem's Old City for at least 15 days, while some were banned for periods between three to six months. The detention raids were launched in the Old City and the neighboring areas of Silwan, al-Tur, and Wadi Joz in occupied East Jerusalem. The Palestinians were first verbally notified of the bans, and were later ordered to appear at Israeli police stations for interrogation. Five of the detainees, all from al-Tur, were identified as 16-year-old Farid Iyad Abu al-Hawa, 14-year-old Muhammad Samir Abu al-Hawa, 18-year-old Muhammad Khalil Sbeitan, 19-year-old Ahmad Muhammad Ashayer, and 24-year-old Bahaa Taysir Abu Jumaa. Qaws identified 22 other detainees as Muhammad al-Rakin, Muhammad Ashour, Yousif Abu Shusha, Muhammad Abu Farha, Khalid Milhis, Ahmad al-Julani, Ahmad al-Shawish, Mahmmoud al-Shawish, Yousif al-Shawish, Ahmad al-Rakin, Uday Sunokrut, Ahmad al-Hashlamoun, Ibrahim al-Natsheh, Jihad Qaws, Muhammad Shawqi Sanduqa, Thaer Zghir, Raghib Abu Sneineh, Khader al-Ajlouni, Muhammad al-Zin, Omar Zaanin, Omar Salama, and Muhammad al-Hashlamoun -- all of whom were released after they were interrogated and issued bans. (Maannews 9 April 2017)
- Israeli police detained at least 18 Palestinians during wide-scale raids in occupied East Jerusalem. The Israeli police raided Palestinians' homes in several areas of Jerusalem, especially in the Old City, and detained 18 of them. The police also handed notices to others to appear for interrogation before the Israeli intelligence. The raids came following Israel's decision to ban Palestinians from the occupied West Bank from entering Jerusalem during the Jewish holiday "Passover," which is celebrated until April 17th.(WAFA 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Two Palestinian citizens in Jerusalem identified as Rami al-Fakhouri and Mohamed al-Daqaq. Noth Palestinians received summonses for interrogation from the Shin Bet. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)

- The Israeli police decided to close occupied Jerusalem from April 9 until 17 of the same month for West Bank citizens on the occasion of the Hebrew Passover (Pesach) festival. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- 84 Israeli settlers, escorted by police officers, stormed holy al-Aqsa Mosque via the Maghareba Gate as part of the morning break-in shift that concluded at 10:30 a.m. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- A number of new settlement projects and schemes in East Jerusalem that fall in line with an Israeli fierce campaign aimed at displacing Palestinians and seizing their lands in the holy city. About 3,000 new settlement units are either under planning, construction or marketing in Jerusalem. The Aharon Company managed to sell 41 settlement units of a new settlement project in Pisgat Ze'ev settlement and now started marketing the second phase of the project which includes 3 buildings consisting of 65 settlement units. The settlement units are expected to be complete by December 2018. Euro-Israel company started marketing a new project in Pisgat Ze'ev settlement which includes 122 settlement units distributed in four 11storey buildings. The company had marketed 24 settlement units at the end of 2016. Tserfata Shimon company started selling 94% of the settlement units of the new project implemented in Har Homa settlement which is built in Jabal Abu Ghuneim neighborhood. The project includes three buildings, each of which consists of 9 floors and has a car park, with 142 settlement units. A new project consisting of 122 settlement units is being constructed in Har Homa by Euro-Gold company. The Israeli company of Dona announced marketing a new settlement project that has 113 settlement units in Gilo settlement to the tune of about 240 million shekels. The Project includes five 10-storey buildings. Aharon company started marketing a new project in the same settlement where four buildings, each with 22 settlement units, will be built. The total number of the settlement units in the project reaches 88. The Israeli Botti Hatikhoun company announced that 30 units of a new settlement project established in Arnona settlement neighborhood are still uninhabited. The project includes a number of 12-storey and 10-storey buildings. The Israeli Ministry of Interior has recently approved transferring about 250 dunums of Mateh Yehuda and Ramat Rachel to an area owned by the Jerusalem Municipality where another settlement neighborhood with 2,000 settlement units is going to be established. In the future, the new two neighborhoods will be linked and a new road will be built stretching from the two neighborhoods to al-Khalil street and Ramat Rachel outpost.

Hasidi Brothers company completed the construction of the second tower of its new project in Arnona which is considered the highest residential project in Jerusalem. It includes two 24-storey towers consisting of 194 settlement units. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)

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- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) closed the only entrance/exit of Beit Iksa village northwest of Jerusalem city and limited entry and exit to and from the village to village's inhabitants. (WAFA 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed holy al-Aqsa Mosque via the Maghareba Gate and cracked down on the Muslim sit-inners. The IOA intensified their presence at al-Aqsa gates and cracked down on the Muslim worshipers who headed to the Mosque to perform dawn prayers. The occupation soldiers also seized the IDs of Muslim young men at the Mosque. The crackdown falls in with the first day of the Jewish Passover holiday. The Israeli troops turned the Old City of Occupied Jerusalem into a military barrack, sparking tension across the area. At the same time, calls have been launched by Israel's Temple Mount organizations for mass break-ins into al-Aqsa on Tuesday to celebrate the seven-day Passover. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
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- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) issued a renewed six-month administrative sentence, with neither charge nor trial, against prisoner Mazen Jamal al-Natsha for the third consecutive time. Prisoner al-Natsha was arrested by the Israeli forces on April 18, 2016. Since 1997, he had served several administrative terms, amounting to a total of 13 years, in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)
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- More than 30 Israeli settlers had entered the compound from the Moroccan gate during Passover celebrations. The settlers toured the compound under Israeli military protection. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) entered the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in occupied East Jerusalem to inspect the premises after detaining a Palestinian man following evening prayers. The IOA detained a young Palestinian man as he left the compound following evening prayers. Israeli forces raided the compound several hours later. The IOA claimed that they were searching for a bag belonging to the Palestinian man who was detained earlier, which they said was hidden in the compound. The IOA inspected storehouses and surrounding gardens but did not find anything. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- Israeli border police detained a Palestinian youth from the Sur Bahir village in southeastern occupied East Jerusalem after allegedly finding a weapon in his vehicle. The detainee was transferred to Israeli intelligence to undergo interrogations. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities banned Citizen Amjad Abu Asab from occupied East Jerusalem for 30 days. Abu Asab was released from the

Israeli prison in March after serving three and a half years. (Maannews 12 April 2017)

- Israeli soldiers detained four Palestinians, from their homes, in various parts of the Old City of occupied East Jerusalem. The detainees were identified as Sbeih Abu Sbeih, Mohammad Zghayyar, Jihad Qous and Rawhi Kolghassi. The Palestinians were taken prisoner after the soldiers invaded and ransacked their homes, and interrogated them and some of their family members. They were all cuffed and blindfolded, before the soldiers moved them to detention and interrogation centers in the city. (IMEMC 12 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers, guided by two leaders, stormed the plazas of holy al-Aqsa Mosque. 162 Israeli settlers led by former MK Moshe Feiglin and the founder of the secret Jewish movement Hai Vekayam, broke into the site via the Maghareba Gate. At around 7:30 a.m. Israeli policemen intensified presence at and around al-Aqsa Mosque, paving the way for the break-in. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) have cracked down on the Muslim worshipers and youth at al-Aqsa for the third consecutive day, denying them access to the site to perform their prayers. The break-ins were carried out following calls launched by Israel's Temple Mount organizations to desecrate al-Aqsa on the occasion of the seven-day Jewish Passover holiday. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers wrote racist graffiti, including the largely-used "Death To Arabs," on a wall of a Palestinian neighborhood, in occupied East Jerusalem. The racist graffiti was written in the Baq'a Palestinian neighborhood, and were uncovered by locals who called the Police. Besides "Death To Arabs," among the racist graffiti was "Arabs Go Home," "Revenge," Kahane Was Right," and "We Will Not Be Silent." (IMEMC 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the town of Abu Dis in the Jerusalem Governorate of the occupied West Bank at noon, causing clashes to break out between the IOA and Palestinian students at al-Quds University, which resulted in several Palestinians being injured. The IOA raided the town and fired tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at students outside the premises of al-Quds University, injuring six students and causing 18 Palestinians to suffer from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- For the first time in years, the Israeli municipality in occupied Jerusalem has enforced a law against public displays of leavened bread during

Passover at the Old City's gates. The law permits the Israeli municipality to ban the sale of bagels during Passover. However, the law has not been enforced in most of the Old City in years. Municipal inspectors arrived morning in the Old City and confiscated the wares of a bagel vendor at the site and prevented others from selling their goods. Most of the vendors either moved elsewhere or simply stopped selling. However, Zaki Sabah, a longtime bagel vendor, refused to either leave or close, so his wares were confiscated. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)

- Dozens of right-wing Israelis and settlers took to the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound, the third day of the Jewish holiday of Passover, as thousands of others performed religious rituals at the Western Wall in the Old City of occupied East Jerusalem. Large groups of Israeli settlers, approximately 385 in total, raided the mosque Thursday morning and throughout the afternoon. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians youths after pulling them out of the Al-Aqsa compound, searching them and informing them that they were banned from entering the mosque. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) notified the demolition of a mosque in Silwan town, south of holy al-Aqsa Mosque, under the pretext of unlicensed construction. Israeli municipal crews threatened the demolition of Abdullah al-Sanawi Mosque, in Silwan town, which was built several years ago on an endowed land tract. The mosque is the sole place of worship for nearly 4,000 Muslim inhabitants in the area. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOF) arrested four Palestinian youths during clashes that erupted at the gates of al-Aqsa Mosque when Palestinian citizens confronted Jewish settlers who stormed the holy shrine to mark the Jewish Passover. The settlers chanted anti-Palestinian racist slogans and attacked worshipers who confronted them amid a state of tension in the holy Islamic shrine. The IOA protected settlers who carried out provocative celebrations while thousands of Palestinians were going out of al-Aqsa Mosque after Friday prayer. Loud annoying music was heard from al-Buraq Wall made by settlers who were celebrating the Passover. (PALINFO 14 April 2017)
- Hundreds of right-wing Israelis entered the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound amid ongoing restrictions on Palestinian freedom of worship and movement in occupied East Jerusalem on the sixth day of the Jewish holiday of Passover. 517 Israelis entered the compound during the

designated visitation periods in the morning and the afternoon, a number of whom performed Jewish religious rituals in contravention of agreements regarding the Al-Aqsa compound under the protection of heavily deployed Israeli forces. Meanwhile, Israeli occupation Authorities imposed strict restrictions on Muslims' access to the Al-Aqsa compound. Some Muslim worshipers were allowed to enter after Israeli police officers seized their identity cards at police posts outside the compound, while others were denied entry. (Maannews 16 April 2017)

- 11 Palestinians were injured with rubber coated bullets and 23 others suffered Gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Abu Dis and Al Ezariya towns southeast of Jerusalem city. (WAFA 17 April 2017)
- Islamic Endowment Department in Occupied Jerusalem revealed that over 1,200 settlers stormed al-Aqsa Mosque during the Passover Jewish holiday which lasted from April 11 to 17. The department reported that dozens of attempts to perform Talmudic rituals and Jewish prayers at al-Aqsa holy shrine were recorded. Al-Aqsa Mosque witnessed heightened tensions due to settlers' repeated incursions, it pointed out. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) restricted Palestinians access to al-Aqsa Mosque on the Passover days and deployed intensive reinforcements in the Old City of Occupied Jerusalem. Military checkpoints were also erected at al-Aqsa gates. (PALINFO 17 April 2017)
- Several Palestinians were injured in clashes with the Israeli occupation forces in Occupied Jerusalem. 11 Palestinians were shot and injured with rubber bullets and 23 choked on teargas during the clashes that flared up in Jerusalem's southeastern towns of Alezariye and Abu Dis. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Ezariyah and Abu Dis and attacked the Palestinian protesters with randomly-discharged spates of rubber bullets and teargas canisters. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Saleh Al Fakhuri after raiding his house in Bab Hatta in the old city of Jerusalem and took him to one of the detention centers in the city. (WAFA 18 April 2017)
- 43 Israeli settlers including 12 students raided Al Aqsa Mosque via Al Mughrabi gate and under the cover of the Israeli security Police and carried out provocative tours in the court yard of Al Aqsa Mosque. (WAFA 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished two Palestinian caravans, used as homes, in the Jabal al-Mukabbir Town of occupied East Jerusalem.

Bulldozers escorted by officials from the Israeli Jerusalem municipality stormed the Khallat Abed area in Jabal al-Mukabbir under military protection and demolished the two homes. Muhammad Amin Shqerat, the owner of one of the structures. Shqerat installed the caravan on his land about a month ago and was about to move in with his ten family members. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished Shqerat's home last year, forcing him to rent an apartment. Due to the high cost of living in the area, however, Shqerat built the caravan as a cheaper and more feasible alternative for him and his family. The owner of the second caravan that was destroyed, Ammar Salamah Hdedoun, was "surprised" to find his home destroyed, as neither he nor his family members were present during the demolition. Israeli authorities had demolished Hdedoun's home in 2009, forcing his family of seven to move into the 40-square-meter caravan in 2011. (Maannews, WAFA 18 April 2017)

- Two Palestinians—Khalil Dandan and Maher Afana—were kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from Jerusalem's town of Abu Dis while Tawfiq Afana was kidnapped from al-Maliha village. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the occupied East Jerusalem town of Issawiya and destroyed iron gates leading to Palestinian commercial properties and farms, while delivering demolition and evacuation notices for a number of structures. Dozens of Israeli soldiers, escorted by bulldozers and municipality crews, raided the eastern area of the town before destroying the gates. Five gates, leading to a car wash and four Palestinian farms, were destroyed and confiscated. The gates belonged to the Abu Riyaleh, Dari, Mustafa, Dkeik, and Abu Snineh families. Families were not given any prior notice that Israeli forces would be targeting their properties. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- Four evacuation and demolition notices were placed on four structures -- a car shop, car wash, and near Palestinian farms in Al Issawiya tow in occupied East Jerusalem. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) destroyed a Palestinian farm in al-Issawiya town, in Occupied Jerusalem. Israeli bulldozers, escorted by military vehicles, rolled into the area and demolished a ranch belonging to the Palestinian farmer Murad Ziad Mustafa. The demolition was reportedly carried out under the pretext of unlicensed construction. Prior to the demolition, a tough cordon was imposed by the Israeli police around the area. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) approved the construction of 212 new settlement units in Pisgat Ze'ev and Ramat Shlomo settlements illegally built in occupied Jerusalem. Israeli radio said that the approved housing units are a part of a large settlement plan to be implemented during the new US administration era. Last month, the Israeli cabinet approved the establishment of a new West Bank settlement for settlers evicted from Amona, an outpost razed after the High Court of Justice ruled it had been built illegally on private Palestinian land. On Dec. 23, 2016, the UN Security Council voted in favor of a resolution demanding the halt of settlement activity by Israel in occupied Palestinian territory with the United States notably abstaining. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers and Antiquity Authority staff members, escorted by police troops, stormed al-Aqsa Mosque—the third holiest site in Islam. Israeli policemen unlocked the Maghareba Gate at 07:30, paving the way for the morning break-in shift, and closed it at 11:00 a.m. 39 Israeli settlers and four members of the Israeli Antiquity Authority defiled the site. The Israeli police also seized the IDs of the Muslim worshipers while they allowed 533 non-Muslim visitors to defile the Mosque. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- At least one Palestinian was injured and another was detained by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during events in the Jerusalem area in support of hunger-striking prisoners. A march set off from the center of the village of Abu Dis in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem in solidarity with some 1,500 Palestinians currently forgoing food for the fourth day in a row to denounce incarceration conditions in Israeli custody. As the march approached the illegal Israeli separation wall -- which cuts off occupied East Jerusalem from the rest of the West Bank -- near al-Quds University, Israeli soldiers fired tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at the protesters, injuring a Palestinian youth in the face with a rubber-coated steel bullet, while at least 11 people suffered from excessive tear gas inhalation during the clashes. The IOA interrupted the sit-in, taking pictures of the protesters before detaining Nour al-Shalabi for allegedly shouting "inciting" slogans. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) dismantled a tent in support of the mass hunger strike in the Issawiya neighborhood of East Jerusalem, firing sound bombs at demonstrators. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a number of Palestinian houses in Ash Sheikh Sa'ed village southeast of Jerusalem city, among which, the

house of Martyr Suhaib Mashahra, was raided. The IOA also confiscated a number of Palestinian cars in the village. (WAFA 20 April 2017)

- Israeli settlers renewed their incursions to Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem city via Bab Al Magharbah (Al Mughrabi Gate) escorted by the Israeli Occupation Police. The settlers carried out provcotive tours in the courtyards of Al Aqsa Mosque. (WAFA 20 April 2017)
- The Jerusalem Municipality bulldozers started bulldozing the lands between Ramot and Ramat Shlomo settlements, north of Occupied Jerusalem, in the villages of Shuafat, Lifta, Beit Hanina and Beit Iksa in a prelude for the establishment of a sport stadium, platforms, playgrounds, parking lots and squares for the Jewish Olympic Games, Maccabiah. Tenders were announced before the Jewish holidays during the past two weeks in preparation for these games which will be launched on the 50th anniversary of the occupation of Jerusalem from 1st June to the end of July 2017. The Jerusalem Municipality announced tenders specially for the Maccabiah Games to bulldoze the Palestinian lands located between street No. 443 and Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road and assigned them to 16 companies including Arab ones. The Maccabiah projects are closely linked to other settlement projects on the lands of Shuafat, Lifta, Beit Hanina and Beit Iksa including building 750 settlement units close to the highway in addition to expanding Ramat Shlomo settlement with 1,400 settlement units on the lands of Shuafat. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- Several Palestinians who had been banned from entering the Al-Aqsa Mosque performed Friday prayers for the third week in a row outside the Lion's Gate, in protest of being banned from the holy site. The worshipers also expressed solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a 22-year-old Palestinian woman from occupied East Jerusalem for alleged "incitement" on her personal Facebook page. The woman would be presented to an Israeli court on Thursday to extend her detention following her interrogation. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) fired at a disabled Palestinian young woman though she posed no threat to them. The shooting attack targeted the disabled Palestinian girl Manar Mujahed, aged 30, that left her paralyzed. The IOA opened fire at mentally-disabled Manar, from Occupied Jerusalem, on February 27, 2017, leaving her bleeding and

crying for help as she rushed to her father to save her. The Israeli soldiers handcuffed the bleeding girl with iron chains at the hospital, where they found out that she was mentally disabled. Manar went back home on a wheelchair, after her health condition had taken a turn for the worse. She has become physically disabled and cannot stand on her feet as a result of the bullets that penetrated her thigh and hip. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided two schools east of Jerusalem and attacked their students. The IOA stormed in the morning Jawaharlal Nehru High School and Abu Dis Elementary School in Abu Dis town, east of Jerusalem, amid intensive gunfire and fired live ammunition at a student and injured him, and arrested another during the raids on schools. Several students and teachers also suffered from inhaling tear gas during the raids. The soldiers forced all students and teachers to evacuate the schools and prevented crews from the Palestinian military liaison office, the civil defense and the Abu Dis municipal council as well as relatives of students from going in. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Mahmoud and Muhammad Atiya after raiding their homes in Al Isawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem. (WAFA 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation police suppressed Palestinian citizens participating in a sit-in staged in Silwan town, south of the Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem, in solidarity with the hunger-striking prisoners in Israeli jails. The Israeli policemen violently dispersed the participants and intensively fired stun and tear gas grenades at them. Citizen Suaad Abu Rumuz suffered a shrapnel injury when a stun canister exploded near her during the events. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Over 49 Israeli settlers and six intelligence officers stormed al-Aqsa Mosque—the third holiest site in Islam—via the Maghareba Gate. The break-in was carried out under heavy police escort as part of the morning break-in shift that started at around 7 a.m. The break-in follows the seven-day Jewish Passover holiday, during which mass desecration assaults were carried out at al-Aqsa under the religious pretext. According to data by Jerusalem's Awqaf (Endowment) Department, over 1,200 settlers defiled the site during the Passover. Meanwhile, two Palestinian students were arrested by the Israeli forces at al-Aqsa Mosque and transferred to a detention center in the Old City. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Staff of the Israeli West Jerusalem municipality delivered two demolition notices for two Palestinian houses in the East Jerusalem town of Silwan,

citing unpermitted construction as a pretext. The Israeli municipality staff, backed by Israeli police, hung paper notices for the demolition of two houses in Silwan, which they stressed, comes as part of a new demolition campaign against Palestinian structures and homes in the said town. (Wafa 23 April 2017)

- An Israeli setter ran over two Palestinian children in Sur Baher town in occupied East Jerusalem. The two children were identified as Muhammad Attoun and his sister Nada and sustained moderate injury. (Wafa 24 April 2017)
- Israeli municipality crews stormed Palestinian commercial shops in Wadi al-Jouz, in Occupied Jerusalem, and imposed heavy taxes on the shopkeepers. Israeli soldiers and cops escorted municipal crews as they broke into Palestinian shops in Wadi al-Jouz and ordered the traders to pay steep taxes. Tension flared up as Palestinian civilians passing through the area have been subjected to abrupt searches by the Israeli cops. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The Jerusalem Municipality deposited for public review a special plan (no. 470484) for the confiscation of 1,300 square meters in the Jewish cemetery in the Mount of Olives, adjacent to the Ras El-Amud mosque. The plan, initiated by the Jerusalem Development Authority (JDA), is meant to allow the confiscation of parcel no. 10 in bloc no. 29991 for public use, in order to allow the construction of a visitor center. The area of the plan is a highly sensitive one, located at the heart of the historical basin of Jerusalem, 300 meters from the Old City and the Temple Mount/Al-Haram A-Sharif, and next to the mosque of the Ras El-Amud neighborhood. (PEACENOW 25 April 2017)
- A peaceful march in front of Qalandiya refugee camp, staged in solidarity with some 1,500 Palestinian prisoners who have been on hunger strike for more than a week, escalated into clashes with Israeli soldiers firing tear gas canisters and rubber-coated steel bullets at dozens of Palestinians. Four Palestinians were shot and injured with rubber-coated steel bullets while dozens suffered from tear-gas inhalation fired by Israeli soldiers stationed near the Qalandiya military checkpoint north of Jerusalem in the central occupied West Bank. (Maannews 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli District Court in Jerusalem sentenced 17-year-old Malak Salman, from Beit Safafa in occupied East Jerusalem, to 10 years in prison. (WAFA 26 April 2017)

- Jerusalem City Hall has published plans to expropriate land in the Palestinian neighborhood of Ras al-Amud for a new visitor and information center to serve the adjacent Jewish cemetery on the Mount of Olives. Even though construction plans have yet to be published, work has apparently already begun on the project. At this point, it is unclear who owns the land to be expropriated, which is near a neighborhood mosque and not far from the Temple Mount in the Old City. The plans for the visitor center were developed by the Jerusalem Development Authority in conjunction with the municipality. Groups and individual visitors would be able to congregate at the facility and be advised on the location of graves of family members and famous religious figures. The plans provide for an assembly hall, shop and information office, as well as a path that would lead from the center through the cemetery itself. There is already a similar information facility in the area, run by the right-wing Ir David Foundation (also known as Elad). Establishing a tourist site in the heart of the historic basin of Jerusalem, adjacent to a mosque, opposite the Temple Mount, means building a kind of settlement. City hall said the land is adjacent to a mosque and currently serves as a parking lot. In practice, however, work on the visitor center appears to have begun, even before the plan was published for objections. (Haaretz 26 April 2017)
- Israel's Housing Ministry is bringing back plans for a new neighborhood in Jerusalem that falls outside of the 1967 borders and inside the West Bank. The neighborhood is planned for the site of the now defunct Atarot Airport, north of Jerusalem, and is supposed to provide housing for ultra-Orthodox Israelis. The 10,000-home plan was drawn years ago by the Jerusalem municipality, but had been frozen due to the strong opposition of the previous U.S. administration to Israeli construction in East Jerusalem. But after Donald Trump's inauguration, Israel started advancing the plan again, and is set to make it public on Jerusalem Day in May, according to a Channel 10 report. Atarot Airport, the planned site of the new neighborhood, was abandoned was abandoned at the beginning of the second intifada some 15 years ago for fear that the Palestinians would shoot at planes taking off there. The airport is located next to the separation barrier, not far from the Qalandiyah checkpoint. The plan also spans areas west of the airport, outside the municipal area of Jerusalem in the West Bank, in lands that are nevertheless under Jewish ownership. Though the neighborhood is earmarked for the ultra-Orthodox public, but heads of the haredi community have recently expressed their opposition to the neighborhood's location, citing its distance from the city center and

proximity to Palestinian neighborhoods and the separation barrier. (<u>Haaretz</u> 26 April 2017)

- Israeli police offered protection for 83 Jewish settlers who stormed the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque from al-Magharebah gate in the morning and evening incursion periods. 67 settlers broke into the courtyards of the Muslims' holy shrine in the morning, while 16 others desecrated the holy site in the evening. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation kidnapped the young man Ibrahim Abdullah Badr from Occupied Jerusalem shortly after they broke into Abu Dis village, closed off the family's blacksmith shop, and seized all of its equipment on claims that it is used to manufacture weapons. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- In the central West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a local Palestinian in the village of Qatanna. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- At the Qalandiya checkpoint, which connects Ramallah with occupied East Jerusalem, Israeli forces suppressed a solidarity march with live fire and rubber-coated steel bullets leaving four injured with live fire shrapnel and two injured with rubber-coated steel bullets. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) also fired tear-gas bombs and stun grenades at youths as IOA closed the checkpoint and prevented all pedestrians and vehicles from passing. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Clashes erupted in the occupied East Jerusalem-area town of al-Issawiya after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) forces took down a sit-in tent set up in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners. The IOA raided the village from several entryways before raiding the sit-in tent, shortly after it had been set up. The IOA then destroyed and confiscated the tent. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In Shu'fat refugee camp, clashes erupted at a military checkpoint at the entrance of the camp following a solidarity march with hunger-striking prisoners, who had entered their 11th day of strike. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the town of Silwan, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Ein Hilweh neighborhood and randomly fired stun grenades and rubber-coated steel bullets. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israel intends to build 15,000 new homes in eastern Jerusalem, the Housing Ministry said despite US President Donald Trump's upcoming <u>visit to Israel</u> as part of a new push for <u>Israeli-Palestinian peace</u>.
 Israel views all of Jerusalem as its "eternal and indivisible capital," but the

Palestinians also want a capital there. Housing Minister Yoav Galant told Israel Radio that his ministry and the Jerusalem Municipality had been working on the plan for two years, with proposals for 25,000 units, 15,000 of which would be in east Jerusalem. "We will build 10,000 units in Jerusalem and some 15,000 within the municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. It will happen," he said. Saeb Erekat, the Palestinians' chief negotiator, said Israel's move was a systematic violation of international law and a "deliberate sabotage" of efforts to resume talks. "All settlements in occupied Palestine are illegal under international law," he said in a statement. "Palestine will continue to resort to international bodies to hold Israel, the occupation power, accountable for its grave violations of international law throughout occupied Palestine." Channel 2 news said an announcement on building could be made on "Jerusalem Day" which this year, according to the Hebrew calendar, falls on May 24. This year marks the 50th anniversary since Israel reunified the city during the Six-Day War, with a large number of celebrations planned. Trump's visit is expected to take place on, or shortly after, May 22. Speaking in an interview with Reuters, Trump said "I want to see peace with Israel and the Palestinians. There is no reason there's not peace between Israel and the Palestinians-none whatsoever." The US leader met Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in Washington in February and is to see Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas at the White House on May 3. In January, two days after Trump took office, Netanyahu said he was lifting restrictions on settlement construction in east Jerusalem, just as the city's municipality approved building permits for hundreds of new homes. During Barack Obama's presidency, Netanyahu's government came under repeated censure for construction in the West Bank and eastern Jerusalem, despite the fact that Israel long since declared sovereignty over it. Under Trump, Netanyahu expected more of a green light to ramp up settlement building, but it hasn't been straightforward. While Trump has said he does not think settlements are necessarily an obstacle to peace, he did directly ask Netanyahu during a White House press conference in February to "hold back on settlements for a little bit." In 2010, Israel announced its intent to build homes in east Jerusalem during a visit by then-Vice President Joe Biden, who condemned the plan. It caused huge embarrassment to Netanyahu, who suspended the plan before reintroducing it in 2013. The east Jerusalem neighborhoods where building is planned are Givat Hamatos, East Talpiot, Ramot, Pisgat Zeev, Neve Yaakov, Ramot Shlomo, Gilo and Atarot. These areas extend in an

- arc from north to south around the eastern side of Jerusalem, forming something of a buffer with the West Bank. (YNETNEWS 28 April 2017)
- The Israeli magistrate court in Jerusalem extended the detention of a Palestinian teen, who was detained in an ambulance after being injured by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) with live ammunition, until next Sunday. The IOA had detained Musaab Muheisen, 14, While he was inside an ambulance after being injured by the IOA during clashes in the occupied East Jerusalem town of Al Issawiya. (Maanews 29 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Issawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem and detained 17 Palestinians, 10 of them were under 18 years old. The detainees were identified as Abu al-Hummus identified the detainees as Adam Kayed Muhmoud, Shadi Muhammad Atiya, Muhammad Abd al-Raouf Mahmoud, Abd al-Qader Muhammad Dari, Rashad Nasser, Mahmoud Khaldoun Mustafa, Bashar Mahmoud, Mahmoud Ramadan Ebied, Muhammad Adnan Ebied, Muneer Kayed Mahmoud, Akram Fadi Mustafa, Thaer Muhammad Mehisin, Ismael Tawfiq Mehisin, Firas Nidal Mahmoud, Amir Munir Dirbas, Nasim Amjad Mehisin, and Odai Issa Ebied. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ordered Issawiya town residents Ahmad Yossef Ebied and Sufian Mahmoud to appear for interrogation with Israeli intelligence. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Israeli police had forcibly evacuated a peaceful sit-in organized at the Damascus Gate entrance to the Old City, held to express support for approximately 1,500 Palestinian prisoners who have been on hunger strike in Israeli prisons for the past 14 days. After marching through the streets, chanting slogans in solidarity with the hunger strikers, demonstrators were chased by Israeli police on horseback, with Israeli police officers also ripping up and confiscating pictures of Palestinian prisoners that protesters were carrying. Some demonstrators also attempted to march towards Herod's Gate and Salah al-Din street, but were stopped and suppressed by Israeli police. Israeli police detained four Palestinians identified as Yassin Subieh, Luay Jaber, Suhaib Siyam, and Amer al-Qawasmi, after they were physically and verbally assaulted. Israeli police also assaulted at least 13 journalists in an attempt to stop them from covering the attacks on demonstrators. Among the injured was a reporter, Ahmad Gharabla, who was severely bruised on his chest after being assaulted by Israeli police on horseback, while Israeli police also beat

Ammar Awwad, a photographer, with the butts of their rifles. (Maannews 30 April 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Jerusalem Governorate during the month of May 2017

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed an event in occupied East Jerusalem, organized in solidarity with 1,600 hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners, who entered the 15th day of hunger strike. A group of Palestinians gathered at the Damascus Gate area outside the Old City and attempted to draw mural depicting images of solidarity with the hunger strikers. The IOA raided the area, confiscated the banner and detained Palestinian activist Sumoud Abu Khdeir. (Maannews 1 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers stormed the plazas of holy al-Aqsa Mosque, in Occupied Jerusalem. 55 Israeli settlers, escorted by police troops, stormed the al-Aqsa place of worship as part of the morning break-in shift, lasting from 07:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. 12 settlers further broke into the site during the afternoon shift and performed sacrilegious rituals. Over recent days, the so-called Temple Mount organizations launched calls via social media networks for mass break-ins at al-Aqsa to mark Israel's establishment on the land of Palestine. (PALINFO 1 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed the main road in the Mount of Olives area overlooking the Old city of Jerusalem, under the pretext that some Palestinian youth of the neighborhood targeted an Israeli settler vehicle with stones. (WAFA 1 May 2017)
- Israeli policemen took hats off to Israeli settlers who defiled holy al-Aqsa Mosque, in Occupied Jerusalem. Israeli police boosted settler break-ins at al-Aqsa Mosque. Two Israeli officers performed a military salute near the Dome of the Rock at al-Aqsa in the presence of Israeli settlers. The Israeli settlers performed a round of sacrilegious rituals, stirring up further tension at the site. (PALINFO 2 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation police detained six Palestinians from the Jabal al-Zaytun neighborhood and six others from Silwan, and took them to interrogation centers in Jerusalem. (Maannews 3 May 2017)
- In the central West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem, the Israeli occupation army detained one Palestinian from the town of Abu Dis. (Maannews 4 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities and bulldozers and escorted by large numbers of Israeli border police raided At Tur neighborhood in occupied East Jerusalem and demolished a two-story building under construction, which the owners said they had started working on eight months earlier to create four apartments. The building's owners, Khalil Abu Sneineh and Rami al-Sayyad hadn't received any notice informing them that the demolition would take place. The owners said that the Israeli Jerusalem municipality had issued a demolition order against the building for being built without a permit, and that the municipality had postponed the demolition until May in order to give them time to file an appeal. However, Abu Sneineh and al-Sayyad had not been able to file an appeal earlier in the week due to two consecutive Israeli holidays, and said that they were taken by surprise by the fact that the demolition occurred within such short notice. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli Jerusalem municipality demolished two commercial structures in the town of Issawiya in occupied East Jerusalem for reportedly being built without licenses. The 120-square-meter structures were owned by the Palestinian citizens Muti' and Mahmoud Abu Reyala. The construction had only recently finished and the family had been finalizing preparations to use the buildings just before the demolitions. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian youths: Alaa Nabata in Shufat refugee camp and Amir Alqam at Shufat barrier east of Occupied Jerusalem. Clashes erupted in the afternoon hours between Palestinian youths and the IOA at the Qalandiya refugee camp in northern Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 5 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested a former Palestinian prisoner, Isam Mansour, from the village of Deir Istya on a sudden checkpoint that was erected at the entrance of Jinsafut village east of Qalqiyia city. (WAFA 5 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities demolished a home in the town of Sur Bahir, leaving six Palestinians homeless. Israeli bulldozers, escorted by crew from Israel's Jerusalem municipality and armed Israeli occupation army (IOA), demolished a house Sur Bahir belonging to Ashraf Fawaqa. Fawaqa. The IOA raided his house without prior notice, and began emptying and evacuating the house in preparation for demolition. The Israeli Authorities told Fawaqa that his home would be destroyed for lacking nearly impossible to obtain construction permits. Mr. Fawaqa had

been trying to obtain licenses for his house since he built it six years, but no no avail, pointing out that had paid more than 200,000 shekels (\$55,403) in lawyers' fees over the years. He added that while the Jerusalem municipal court, magistrate court and central court approved the demolition, the Israeli Supreme Court had frozen the demolition. Despite the supreme court's freeze on the demolition, Israeli forces destroyed Fawaqa's 100 square meter house, leaving him, his wife, and their four children -- the eldest of which is eight years old -- homeless. (Maannews 5 May 2017)

- The Israeli occupation police intensified their presence at the military barrier near the main entrance to Shuafat refugee camp in Jerusalem as well as in the area around it as a prelude to holding an opening ceremony for a border police station. Internal security minister Gilad Erdan and senior officials would participate in the opening ceremony. The intensive deployment of soldiers at the Shuafat checkpoint and its vicinity affected the movement of citizens living in the area from and to Jerusalem. The Shuafat barrier or checkpoint is one of the West Bank's hottest flashpoints, where confrontations happen almost on a daily basis between Israeli soldiers and local young men. (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) banned dozens of families of Jerusalemite prisoners from organizing a solidarity sit-in with the hunger striking detainees in the courtyard of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in occupied East Jerusalem. The IOA prevented the event at the pretext that the land over which the ICRC headquarters is built is owned by the Israeli municipality. The families had to protest in front of the ICRC headquarters entrance amid intensive presence of Israeli occupation Army (IOA). (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Two Palestinians from Anata town near occupied East Jerusalem. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained citizen Nour Saleem Ash Shalabi after violently raiding his house in occupied Jerusalem. (WAFA 7 May 2017)
- Clashes broke out between Palestinian youths and the Israeli police after the latter stormed al-Isawiya town to the east of occupied east Jerusalem and remained there until late at dawn on Monday. The Israeli police chased the youths and attacked them with rubber bullets, sound bombs, and tear gas canisters. Israeli Settler Violence. (PALINFO 8 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the town of Silwan in occupied East Jerusalem and detained 65-year-old Said Ayyash, whose son Milad Ayyash was shot dead by the IOA in 2011. Israeli intelligence officers had stormed their house one day prior to detain Ayyash. Ayyash, however, was in the hospital at the time. Israeli forces then returned the next day and detained him. The IOA gave no explanation for Ayyash's detention. (Maannews 8 May 2017)
- In the central West Bank, Four Palestinians were detained in the village of al-Sheikh Saad in the Jerusalem Governorate. (Maannews 9 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers sprayed graffiti and vandalized several vehicles in the occupied East Jerusalem town of Shu'fat. Private surveillance cameras captured footage of two Israeli settlers entering the al-Sahl area of Shufat and spraying racist graffiti on walls and vehicles at around 3 a.m. The graffiti, written in Hebrew, read "(Prophet) Muhammad is a pig" and "administrative price tag" -- in reference to the term "price tag" used by settlers to refer to the attacks they carry out on Palestinians and their property. 17 vehicles were vandalized, some of which were spray painted, while others had their tires punctured. The "incident" took place between the settlement of Ramat Shlomo and Shufat town, to cars that were parked alongside the Israeli bypass Road No. 21. (Maannews 9 May 2017)
- 72 Jewish settlers stormed on Monday the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem amid tightened security measures. The settlers broke into the holy shrine from al-Magharebah gate. They provocatively toured its courtyards and performed Talmudic rituals under the protection of Israeli police. (PALINFO 9 May 2017)
- For the second day in a row, the Israeli occupation authorities continued to install more surveillance cameras in the main street, from the direction of Al-Mutala'a Hospital to Al Makassed Charitable Hospital in the Mount of Olives, all the way to the Old City of Jerusalem. The Israeli occupation authorities attributed the incident to the continued stone-throwing incidents targeting settlers' vehicles as they were passing through the area. (WAFA 10 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians in the town of Abu Dis in the central Jerusalem Governorate and were identified as Radi Rabee, 18, and Muhamamd Rabee, 16. The two were detained after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided their homes in the town. (Maannews 10 May 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Hamza Zahran after raiding his home in Qalandyia refugee camp and took him to one of the interrogation centers in the city. (SAFA 10 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the Shu'fat refugee camp in the center of occupied Jerusalem, near the military checkpoint which is located at the entrance to the camp. The IOF stopped Palestinian vehicles and check ID cards. (WAFA 11 May 2017)
- 67 Jewish settlers stormed on morning the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem amid Israeli police tightened security measures. 44 settlers broke into the holy shrine in the morning shift from the Israeli-controlled al-Magharebah gate and roamed its courtyards while receiving explanations on the alleged Temple of Solomon. Three members of Israeli intelligence apparatus along with twenty Jewish students and guides stormed al-Aqsa Mosque's plazas in the afternoon shift. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (AIO) demolished a commercial grocery store near Qalandyia checkpoint, at the entrance of Qalandia refugee camp, north of Jerusalem, under the pretext of unlicensed building. Clashes broke out between the IOA and Palestinians in the camp where the IOA fired live, rubber and poisonous bullets at Palestinians to disperse them. The IOA also closed the checkpoint in both directions, causing heavy traffic to and from occupied east Jerusalem. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- Four Palestinians were injured, 14 other sustained burns and 14 others suffered gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA)in Abu Dis Town in occupied East Jerusalem. (WAFA 12 May 2017)
- The Ministry of Construction and Housing is working alongside the city of Jerusalem to consolidate a construction plan to build over 28,000 apartments in the capital over the next decade. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is expected to present US President Donald Trump with the plan at the latter's visit to the city later this month. The agreement grants government indemnification to construct infrastructures such as roads, education facilities and parks even before any of the apartments are populated. About 15,000 apartments will be built beyond the Green Line in Givat HaMatos, East Talpiot, Ramot, Pisgat Ze'ev, Neve Yaakov, Ramat Shlomo, Gilo and Atarot. Aside from the apartments, the plan includes the construction of dozens of public facilities, community centers, schools and kindergartens. 10,000 apartments are set to be built within the Green Line in Lifta, Pat, Ora, Masua, Romema, Herzog, Arnona, Malha and Reches

Lavan. The plan, which was promoted by Minister of Construction Yoav Galant, is estimated to cost around NIS 5 billion. "We are nearing a new age, the rise of which was felt since Donald Trump's rise to presidency. The days of stuttering are over," said Deputy Mayor Meir Turgeman, who helms the local planning and construction committee. "The pressure of the Obama era is no more, when every week every plan had to face 'yes and no, subtract here and add here.' In recent weeks, we authorize plans with no limitations." The Jerusalem City Hall released a statement commenting that it "sees with great importance the continued construction and development of Jerusalem, especially in celebration of 50 years since its reunification, adding more than 7 million square meters of potential employment alongside an increase of the residential building, as a way to create jobs and lower apartment costs in the city." (YNETNEWS 12 May 2017)

- An Israeli policeman ran over a Palestinian child near Bab el-Amoud in occupied Jerusalem then fled the scene. The Israeli policeman was driving his car at high speed and hit the child before fleeing the area, leaving the child injured on the street. (PALINFO 13 May 2017)
- Dozens of members of the Israeli Knesset have signed a petition to the Israeli construction company United Jerusalem Fund which calls for supporting a marketing project for the lands owned by the company near Ma'ale Adumim settlement. The company is planning to establish a new settlement on the site based on a government decision issued in the 1980s. The United Jerusalem Fund is a private company headed by Gad Gabriel that seeks to build a new settlement named Mitzpe Yehuda or Giv'at Adumim on a hill adjacent to Ma'ale Adumim settlement. Practically, there are no specific plans for the construction of the settlement so far. For more information, click to read full report. (PALINFO 13 May 2017)
- 72 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem via Al Mughrabi Gate escorted by the Israeli occupation Police. The settlers toured in the backyard of the Mosque and carried out provocative actions. (WAFA 14 May 2017)
- An Israeli settler ran over a Palestinian near Atarot industrial area in occupied East Jerusalem, identified as Raed Ghaith from Beit Hanina town. (WAFA 14 May 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians in al-Matar neighborhood to the north of occupied Jerusalem and Israeli soldiers, after the latter stormed the area and handed notices to demolish four buildings there. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the neighborhood and shut down a

building, before handing demolition orders against four underconstruction buildings in the area, provoking clashes with residents. No injuries were reported. The demotion orders came under the pretext of being constructed too close to the apartheid wall, which separates the neighborhood from Qalandia airport. Forces also seized two vehicles belonging to residents in the neighborhood. (WAFA 14 May 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA)detained two brothers from Ras Al Amoud neighborhood in Silwan town. The two were identified as Jamal and Muhamamd Al Ghoul.
- 33 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque IN OCUCPIED East Jerusalem via Al Mughrabi Gate escorted by the Israeli occupation Police. The settlers toured in the backyard of the Mosque and carried out provocative actions. (WAFA 15 May 2017)
- Israeli municipality of West Jerusalem ordered a halt on the construction of the Issawiya town council, in occupied East Jerusalem. Staff from the Israeli municipality accompanied by a police escort broke into the area and handed a notification ordering those behind the construction to stop work. (WAFA 15 May 2017)
- A regional council in the West Bank has begun soliciting bids to build over 200 apartments in a Jewish settlement under its authority. The news comes a week ahead of U.S. President Donald Trump's visit to Israel and the Palestinian Authority. The Mateh Binyamin Regional Council is looking to build 209 apartments in Tel Zion, the ultra-Orthodox section of the settlement of Kochav Yaakov in the center of the West Bank. The settlement is east of the separation barrier and not part of the generally accepted settlement blocs. The plan for homes was approved long ago, during the 1980s, and now the regional council wants to bring it to fruition. Regional Council chairman Avi Roeh, who is also chairman of the Council of Jewish Communities of Judea and Samaria, confirmed that this is an old plan now being taken out of the mothballs. He said that at issue "is a project with an approved urban plan of 1,200 units, of which 750 have been built." The others weren't erected, he said, because the developer went bankrupt. Hagit Ofran, who follows settlement development for the anti-occupation group Peace Now, also confirmed that this construction is permitted under an old plan, but stressed: "Even if this was approved in the past - it's construction. "There are tens of thousands of units that could be built under old plans. In practice, there was no [construction] freeze and there is no freeze in the settlements. This

is a large project beyond the separation barrier that will continue to undermine the two-state solution." Last week, Haaretz reported that the Prime Minister's Office had the Civil Administration's High Planning Committee postponed a meeting that was supposed to convene to approve building projects in West Bank settlements. A senior official told Haaretz that Netanyahu's office asked that the meeting only take place after U.S. President Donald Trump's visit to the country on May 22 ends. The senior official, who asked to remain anonymous, stated that the postponement was intended to avoid friction between Israel and the U.S. over the issue of settlement construction a short while before the presidential visit. This kind of friction could mar the entire visit, turn the settlements issue into a major issue in the negotiations and give the Palestinians arguments to strengthen their position during Trump's visit to Bethlehem and his meeting with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas. (Haaretz 15 May 2017)

- 73 Jewish settlers stormed the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem from the Magharebah gate under the protection of Israeli police. Israeli police allowed settlers to break into the courtyards of the Muslims' holy shrine. The Jewish settlers roamed the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque amid explanations on the alleged Temple of Solomon. (PALINFO 16 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Tell village in Nablus and detained two young men, after raiding the village with more than 15 military vehicles. The two were identified as Hamza Ahmad Said Ramadan, 26, and Samir Taleb Silwadi, 21. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- Israeli police raided the village of al-Tur in occupied East Jerusalem and detained one Palestinian, identified as Wafaa Abu Jumaa, from her home transferred to an interrogation center. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- Israeli police detained two unidentified Palestinians from the Old City, who were suspected of throwing rocks and fireworks at Israeli police forces and border guards near the Old City. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- In the town of Al Issawiya north of the Old City, clashes erupted between Israeli Police and Palestinian youth, with Israeli police firing stun grenades at Palestinians. Two Palestinians from Issawiya were detained. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- Israeli settlement societies called for intensifying settler incursions into al-Aqsa Mosque and the Old City of Occupied Jerusalem in order to mark the 50th anniversary of occupying Jerusalem and to celebrate the so-called

reunification of Jerusalem. The calls coincide with the US President Donald Trump's visit to Bethlehem next week in order to meet with Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. (PALINFO 18 May 2017)

- At the Qalandiya military checkpoint north of Jerusalem-- two Palestinians were injured, one of them in his mouth, with rubber-coated steel bullets in clashes that erupted following a solidarity march that set off from the Qalandiya refugee camp. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed behind large cement by cement blocks, fired rubber-coated steel bullets, tear gas canisters and sound bombs at Palestinians. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Awad from Aqbat As Saraya in the old city of Jerusalem and took him to unknown destination. (WAFA 20 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained A Palestinian female child, 14, at Qalandyia checkpoint north of Jerusalem city and took her inside Qalandyia's detention center. (WAFA 20 May 2017)
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- In the village of Abu Dis in the West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Amjad Rabee and Ali Rabee after raiding their homes. (Maannews 21 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided several homes in Al Isawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem and detained five Palestinians in the town. The detainees were identified as Wassim Nayef, Ahmad Kayed Mahmoud, Adam Fadi Mustafa, Yousif Issa Mustafa, and Anas Abu Assab. (Maannews 21 May 2017)
- In the town of Shufat in occupied East Jerusalem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided three homes and detained Nasser Abu Khdeir, a former prisoner, Abed Saed Abu Khdeir, and Ameer Abu Khdeir. (Maannews 21 May 2017)
- In Shufat refugee camp in Jerusalem Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the home of former prisoner Arafat Fasfous and

delivered an order to his family summoning them for interrogations when Fasfous was not found at home. (Maannews 21 May 2017)

- In the Old City of Jerusalem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad al-Shlabi and Thaer Abu Sbeih after raiding their homes.
- In the town of Silwan in occupied East Jerusalem, clashes had erupted until late hours when the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets into the community and detained 20-year-old Muhammad al-Abasi. (Maannews 21 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities issued a decision to deport Kifah Da'na, a resident of the Old City of Jerusalem, for 30 days, A house arrest for 10 days, and a payment of NIS 2000 bail as conditions for his release from the Israeli jails. (WAFA 21 May 2017)
- Right-wing Israeli activists from the Betar Movement laid a "cornerstone" for the American Embassy in Jerusalem in an effort to "strengthen" US President Donald Trump ahead of his visit to Israel's capital. The activists held the ceremony at the site of the former British Allenby Compound in Jerusalem's Arnona neighborhood on a plot of land leased to the US by the Israel Lands Authority for the embassy in 1999... The activists came to the barren tract of land and hoisted American flags and a banner that said, "Cornerstone-Laying Ceremony for the US Embassy." (JPOST 21 May 2017)
- In occupied East Jerusalem, three young men were shot by rubber bullets and about ten others suffered suffocation during clashes that erupted near Qalandiya crossing to the north of the city. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Special Forces assaulted a Palestinian man along with his son near Damascus gate in Occupied Jerusalem before arresting the son. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian teenage girl at the entrance to the village of Silwad, east of Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank. The 17-year-old girl was identified asTuqua Hammad and was hit in the lower extremities. The IOA prevented a Palestinian ambulance from accessing the victim to treat her. (Maannews 23 May 2017).
- The Israeli occupation Army kidnapped a Palestinian girl in Silwan town in occupied Jerusalem and was identified as Samah Sarhan. Other Palestinian young men, including a teenager, were also taken prisoners by the Israeli police in Silwan. (PALINFO 23 May 2017).

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians after storming their family homes in the East Jerusalem neighborhood of Jabal al-Mukabbir. (WAFA 23 May 2017).
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians after ransacking their family homes in the East Jerusalem neighborhood of Silwan. One Palestinian was detained by Israeli forces at the entrance to al-Ram town, north of Jerusalem. (WAFA 23 May 2017).
- Three Palestinian security guards of the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the Old City of occupied East Jerusalem were assaulted and detained by Israeli police, as hundreds of right-wing Israelis and ultra-religious settlers took to the holy site in celebration of "Jerusalem Day." The Israeli police forces assaulted a group of four of the mosque's guards at Lion's Gate, after the guards "objected to the provocative behaviors of Israeli settlers during their raid of Al-Aqsa." The injured were identified the four injured as Arafat Najib, Khalil al-Tarhuni, Nour Abu Hadwan and Nidal al-Waari. Settlers toured the Old City and performed religious rituals at the gates of Al-Aqsa Mosque, while dozens entered the compound in separate groups through the Moroccan Gate. (Maannews 24 May 2017)
- A group of Israeli and Palestinian activists denouncing the Jerusalem Day parade held by Israeli settlers in Jerusalem was assaulted by Israeli police forces outside of Damascus gate in the Old City of Jerusalem. Palestinian activists were waving Palestinian flags at the scene, while international and Israeli peace activists formed a human chain, when Israeli police forces violently dispersed them, beating them and pushing them away. (Maannews 24 May 2017)
- Israeli police forces detained a family of Palestinian street vendors after assaulting them in occupied East Jerusalem. Israeli police forces raided The al-Razim family bread kiosk, attempted to seize the bread, and issued a 475,000-shekel (\$132,342) fine against the family for allegedly expanding the area of their kiosk beyond the permitted area. A verbal dispute broke out before Israeli police forces assaulted and detained four members of the family, identified as Kayid, Uday, Yazan, and Luay al-Razim. Israeli police forces violently assaulted and beat the four, and took them to the police station, where three of them were released into house arrest for one night, while the detention of the fourth -- whose identity remained unclear -- was extended pending a court session. (Maannews 24 May 2017)

- The Israeli police extended the arrest of three guards of the Al-Aqsa Mosque who were earlier detained from al-Aqsa compound. The three security guards of the compound were assaulted and detained by Israeli police as hundreds of right-wing Israeli settlers broke into the holy site and performed Talmudic rituals. (PALINFO 24 May 2017)
- More than 500 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque's courtyards under tight police protection. Some settlers behaved provocatively during their presence at the Mosque and as they were leaving through al-Silsila (Dung) Gate. (PALINFO 24 May 2017)
- Israel's News Channel 10 has learned that according to the secret plan being examined, Kafr Aqab and the Shuafat refugee camp, which are now part of Greater Jerusalem, but beyond the separation fence for a decade, they will be cut off from the city and become a separate regional council. At a meeting of the National Security Council, a body under the prime minister's responsibility, discussed the separation of the neighborhoods in East Jerusalem from the city. The main proposal at the center of the discussions was to cut Kafr Aqab and Shu'afat from Jerusalem and turn them into a regional council within Israel with a separate independent authority that would receive a budget directly from the government. 140,000 people live in the two neighborhoods that have deteriorated over the past decade and have been neglected by the municipality. For more information, click to read full article: (NANA10 24 May 2017)
- The finance and Jerusalem affairs ministries are to present a joint plan to the cabinet Sunday to improve conditions for Palestinians living in East Jerusalem, Channel 10 News reported Thursday. The first two clauses costing NIS 180 million (\$50 million) — will deal with the need for better education and for improved sewage infrastructure as well as for more efficient removal of trash. On Wednesday, President Reuven Rivlin used the 50th anniversary of Jerusalem's reunification to call for immediate action to improve the quality of life in the predominantly Arab neighborhoods of East Jerusalem, which are among the nation's poorest. "We must take urgent care of East Jerusalem," the president said. "We cannot sing songs of praise for a united Jerusalem while East Jerusalem, the area where 40 percent of its residents live, is the poorest urban area in Israel." In a separate development, Channel 10 reported Wednesday that Israel's National Security Council is considering a plan to transfer control of two East Jerusalem neighborhoods from the Jerusalem Municipality to a yet-to-be established local council. Despite being part of the city, Kafr

Aqab and the Shuafat refugee camp are located on the other side of the security barrier and suffer from a dearth of municipal services. Under the plan, the two northern neighborhoods — which together compromise around one eighth of Jerusalem's population — would be moved to a newly established local council that would remain under Israeli control and receive funding for municipal services directly from the state rather than through the municipality, according to Channel 10. While the report of the plan was welcomed by a number of left-leaning lawmakers, with opposition leader Isaac Herzog saying it would help "ensure a united Jerusalem with a Jewish majority," the Jerusalem Municipality threw cold water on the idea, telling Channel 10 the establishment of a new local council would not "provide an answer" to the neighborhoods' problems. (TIMES OF ISRAEL 25 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) banned three of al-Aqsa Mosque guards from entering the holy site for 15 days. The three guards were identified as Nuwar Abu Hadwan, Nidal Wari and Khalil Tarhouni. An Israeli court released them, after being previously arrested, on bail estimated at 1000 shekels in addition to the ban of entry order. (PALINFO 26 May 2017)
- In the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a mosque in the town of Hizma following evening prayers and arrested five Palestinians. The IOA surrounded and raided the mosque, detaining Amjad and Ghassan Omar Kanaan, Ghazi Badr al-Khatib, Ishaq Muhammad and Mustafa Jaber. Clashes erupted in the town following the raid, with the IOA firing live ammunition and tear gas at locals, causing many to suffer from severe tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- Israeli police arrested five Palestinians after breaking into Hazma town to the east of occupied Jerusalem. The five detainees were identified as Amjad Omar Kanaan, Ghassan Omar Kanaan, Ghazi Bader al-Khatib, Ishaq Mohammed, and Mustafa Jabr. (PALINFO 26 May 2017)
- 127 Israeli settlers stormed Al Aqsa Mosque from Al Magharbeh Gate escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and carried out provocative tours in the courtyard. (SAFA 28 May 2017)
- Israeli companies recently started to market and build hundreds of housing units in illegal settlements in Occupied Jerusalem, while the

Israeli municipal authority approved a plan to build underground roads northeast of the holy city. According to Kol Ha'ir newspaper, 113 housing units have been marketed in Gilo settlement, southeast of Jerusalem. Another 41 housing units of the Habark project in Pisgat Ze'ev settlement have also been marketed and sold by an Israeli company, which embarked on carrying out the second phase of the project (about 56 housing units). Meanwhile, another company called Euro-Israel recently marketed 122 housing units in Pisgat Ze'ev. The same company already built and sold 24 apartments in Pisgat Ze'ev and is now carrying out two projects to construct a total of 200 housing units in Har Homa and Neve Yaakov settlements, east of Jerusalem. In another development, Kol Ha'ir said that the Jerusalem district planning and building committee chaired by Meir Turgeman, who also serves as deputy head of the Israeli municipality in the holy city, approved a major project to build traffic tunnels at the junction of the French Hill settlement, northeast of Jerusalem. (PALINFO 28 May 2017)

Israel's Cabinet held its weekly meeting in the Western Wall tunnels to mark the 50th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem. "In this place King Solomon built the First Temple. In this place, the Babylonian exile built the Second Temple and after the destruction of the Second Temple, this place was the focal point of the longing of our people for generations," Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Sunday at the start of the meeting. "Thousands of years passed, the people of Israel returned to their land, established their state and built their united capital." During the meeting, the Cabinet approved a plan to build an elevator from Jerusalem's Jewish Quarter to the Western Wall that would allow more accessibility for handicapped people to the holy site. The Cabinet also approved the construction of a cable car to the Dung Gate near the Western Wall in the Old City from the center of the city. The elevator and a pedestrian tunnel at its foot is estimated to cost \$14 million. The Cabinet also approved a five-year budget to develop the area around the Old City and to improve health, culture, welfare and education services in the city of Jerusalem, including eastern Jerusalem. The Ruderman Family Foundation praised the Cabinet decision to build the elevator and make the Western Wall more accessible to people with disabilities. "The Government of Israel made the right decision today to make Judaism's holiest site, the Western Wall, accessible to people with disabilities by voting to build an elevator and passageway," said Jay

Ruderman, president of the Ruderman Family Foundation, in a statement. "For far too long, these ever-important sites were not completely accessible for people with disabilities, who account for twenty percent of the population. This decision will now ensure freedom to worship for all." Tourism Minister Yariv Levin praised the approval of the cable car, which he said would make the Western Wall more accessible to the 130,000 visitors to the site each week. The cable car, which will be operational by 2021, will be able to serve up to 3,000 people per hour. "The future cable car will change the face of Jerusalem, allow easy and convenient access for tourists and visitors to the Western Wall and will serve as an exceptional tourist attraction. There is no more appropriate and exciting time than this – 50 years since the reunification of Jerusalem – to launch this revolutionary project," he said in a statement. (JTA, JPOST 28 May 2017)

- The Israeli government approved the "Western Wall Elevator" project. The decision comes after 13 years of declarations which did not lead to an actual decision on the matter. The approved project calls for immediate action, and all required permits have already been granted. Within the framework of the program, estimated to cost around 50 million shekels, a special elevator and underground passageways are to be built which will give people with physical disabilities easier access to the Western Wall plaza from the Jewish Quarter of Jerusalem's Old City. According to the program, the elevator will start in the Jewish Quarter and descend 85 feet to the Western Wall plaza. In addition, a pedestrian tunnel over 200 feet long will stretch from the exit of the elevator to the security checkpoint at the Western Wall plaza. According to Housing Minister Yoav Galant, "Jewish ethics begins at the Western Wall, the heart of the Jewish people." For every year that Jerusalem has been liberated, Israel is investing one million shekels. 50 years - 50 million. Last week, President Trump made clear the unbreakable bond between the Jewish people and the Western Wall. The government of Israel said today clearly: The eyes of the Jewish people looked to Jerusalem and the Western Wall for 2,000 years of exile. Now, the state of Israel is not only declaring the connection between the Western Wall and the Jewish people, but is also investing resources in this [connection]." (INN, BS, TimesofIsrael 28 May 2017)
- The Israeli government approved Sunday a plan to reduce environmental hazards in Jerusalem and make greater efforts in garbage disposal and infrastructure rehabilitation in east Jerusalem neighborhoods. The Ministry of Environmental Protection stated that NIS 177 million will be

allocated to treating garbage and sewage hazards in the eastern part of the city, as well as for education on environmental responsibility. NIS 24 million will also be allocated towards reducing air pollution caused by cars in the city. (Ynetnews 28 May 2017)

It's been 30 years since the Tower of David Museum opened its doors as an ancient portal to Jerusalem's Old City. Now the historic citadel is in the final throes of planning a \$30 million renovation, intended to be completed in five years. The goal of the renovation is to create a more seamless transition from east to west, leading from the new city of Jerusalem into the Old City, directly into the museum that is situated just inside Jaffa Gate, one of the major entries into the historic site. "We've been thinking about what is the task of the museum," said Eilat Lieber, the museum director. "It will always be a monumental site of the Old City, a symbol. But as an institution, we have to think about what we want for future generations. We're a pathway from west to east, and we want it to be a smoother transition." The upgrade will change the flow into the museum, with a new entrance complex from the western side of the citadel, now used as the exit from the museum, and connected to the outdoor Mamilla mall through the ancient Byzantine bathhouses under Jaffa Gate. The excavations were carried out 20 years ago, and show the timeline of Jerusalem from a wall from the period of King Hezekiah during the First Temple period (800 BCE), the foundations of King Herod's palace and water system from 2,000 years ago, Crusader-era pools and the Ottoman city walls of Jerusalem through modern times. The entire excavation has been neglected until now, said Lieber, who has been the director at the Tower of David for nearly five years. When the Tower of David Museum opened 30 years ago, the Western Wall Tunnels and the City of David archaeological site weren't open yet, pointed out Lieber. The task of the museum has changed, she said, as well as its role as a "monumental site" of the Old City. "Jerusalem has changed," said Lieber. "What's the right message when considering the history of Jerusalem?" The renewal project is expected to double the area of the museum from 7,895 square meters to 15,000 square meters with the permanent exhibition area doubling to almost 4,000 square meters. With the renovation, the museum will also gain a glassed-in entrance with a ticket office and coatroom, a cafe and public bathrooms. "It's been disorienting until now," said Lieber. "You go from Mamilla to Jaffa Gate, and there's the shuk and juice vendors and hummus. It's hard to know where to go. We wanted better bathrooms and a better welcome for tourists." The \$30 million

project is being financed primarily by the Clore Foundation, which will be giving 60% of the funding, said Lieber, with the rest from the government, Tourism Ministry and Jerusalem Foundation. The renovated museum is slated to open in 2022, but will remain open throughout the process. (Times of Israel 28 May 2017)

Israeli Cabinet ministers approved a plan to construct a cable car from the new city of Jerusalem to the Western Wall, which will allow more accessibility to the holy site, as part of a series of measures aimed at strengthening facilities in capital. The cable car, to run from the city's First Station complex to the Old City's Dung Gate — the main entrance to the Western Wall — aims to ease traffic in and around the maze of narrow streets in the ancient part of Jerusalem by whizzing visitors across the 1.4 km route (just under a mile) as the crow flies, in just 3.5 minutes. The cabinet approved the first phase of the joint project between the Tourism Ministry and Jerusalem Development Authority. The Tourism Ministry will cover the initial budget of NIS 15 million (\$4.2 million) with the total cost of the project estimated at about NIS 200 million (\$56 million). The project, the brainchild of the Jerusalem City Council and its mayor, Nir Barkat, has stoked controversy because the route passes over parts of East Jerusalem. Two years ago, the France-based utility giant Suez Environment said that, because of political sensitivities, it had decided not to take part in the project. Much of the international community does not recognize Israel's claim to East Jerusalem, which it captured in the 1967 Six Day War, before annexing it. Also, anything to do with the Judaism's holiest site, the Temple Mount, which today houses the Dome of the Rock and Al-Aqsa Mosque, risks fueling tensions in the region. The future cable car will change the face of Jerusalem, allow easy and convenient access for tourists and visitors to the Western Wall, and serve as an exceptional tourist attraction," Tourism Minister Yariv Levin said. "There is no more appropriate and exciting time than this -50 years since the reunification of Jerusalem — to launch this revolutionary project." The cable car will be designed to serve about 3,000 visitors an hour in each direction and will travel at speeds of up to 21 kilometers an hour (13 miles per hour). The plan is for the cable car to begin operating in 2021. Access to the Western Wall is currently via narrow, winding and very crowded routes. The cable car is intended to provide easy, quick and convenient access for approximately 130,000 visitors who come to the site each week. (Times of <u>Israel</u> 28 May 2017)

After repeated delays, the state finally responded Sunday to the request for an interim injunction filed by Regavim against the illegal construction carried out by the UN at the Government House in the Armon Hanatziv neighborhood. The state admitted for the first time that the extensive construction activity there, including works to preserve the historic buildings in the compound, as well as the construction of additional illegal structures in the compound, were carried out without permits. "The planning and building laws of the State of Israel apply to the compound and to the works that are the object of the petition, and the UN is expected to act in accordance with the principles of the relevant planning and building laws." In a petition submitted by the Regavim movement to the Jerusalem District Court two months ago, it was revealed that the United Nations had committed a large number of building offenses during the past year, in a site registered in the Land Registry in the name of the State of Israel. The state expressed its opposition to issuing an interim injunction prohibiting continued construction of the compound, since the UN enjoys immunity from prosecution and legal action against it. The State noted that "if there are differences between the State of Israel and the United Nations on this issue, they should be brought to a solution through diplomatic channels" and detailed the contacts held by the Foreign Ministry over the past few weeks with relevant UN officials in Israel and New York. The government's intention was to establish a ministerial team to examine the government's policy on the issue, and at the same time examine the possibility of using appropriate tools in addition to the construction being carried out in the area, including measures against Israeli entities involved in the construction work. In this context, the State announced that it did not object to Regavim's request to include the Israeli construction companies involved in the illegal construction activity as respondents to the petition. "In addition to all this, the State is working through the diplomatic channels with the aim of resolving the issue of construction in all its aspects, including setting an outline with the UN regarding existing construction and future construction, as far as the UN will do. This dialogue is in favor of regulating the issue. " Regavim responded to the state's position by stating that violations of the law must be dealt with without delay. "Illegal work must be stopped immediately, even by means of an order against the Israeli companies that are actually carrying out the building violations while the law is in place," said attorney Avi Segal of the Regavim movement. "The claim that the UN has absolute immunity that allows it to build as much as it likes in the assets

of the State of Israel and in violation of the building laws is unacceptable. Its immunity is only for the fulfillment of his diplomatic duties, not for offenses and the theft of land from the country that hosts him free of charge in its land and properties." (INN 28 May 2017)

The Israeli government approved on Jerusalem Day a NIS177 million plan to connect the Arab neighborhood of east Jerusalem to orderly infrastructures, including sewage and garbage collection. Within the plan, which was formulated by the Minister of Environmental Protection and Jerusalem Affairs Ze'ev Elkin (Likud), more east Jerusalem residents will be connected to the municipal sewage system, 33 kilometers of sewage infrastructure will be built, the existing sewage system will be upgraded, garbage cans and garbage trucks will be purchased and set up to collect waste. The plan was discussed at a special cabinet meeting held Sunday at the Western Wall tunnels. Large parts of the neighborhoods of east Jerusalem lack infrastructure, and houses are often built without a plan or a building permit, making it difficult to deal with and regulate environmental issues such as waste and sewage. The difficulties are accompanied by the topographical conditions of the area, and the fact that the neighborhoods were built on top of villages with poor infrastructure, which remained essentially the same as when they were annexed to the municipal boundaries of Jerusalem in 1967. The Arab neighborhoods of Jerusalem have a population of 321,113. The Arab population below the poverty line reaches 75%, with the child population below this threshold reaching 84%. More than 37% of all households in the eastern part of the city are handled by the Social Services Ministry, with the average monthly income per capita estimated at NIS 1,900. Residents of Jerusalem's Arab neighborhoods suffer from severe housing shortages and, with it, overcrowding. The plan references the needs of all Arab neighborhoods, inside and outside the security fence, but at this stage, it will be only be implemented in the Arab neighborhoods of Jerusalem inside the security fence. The Arab neighborhoods outside the fence, which belong to the municipal boundaries of Jerusalem, will be dealt with in a separate program. According to the plan, the Ministry of Finance will allocate funds to the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs and Heritage for the evacuation of the waste transit station, which is located in the Sheep Market area adjacent to the walls of the Old City, and is a source of environmental hazards. "It is inconceivable for our capital to have a medieval sewage system," Elkin told Yedioth Ahronoth. "Those who truly believe in a united Jerusalem-it is high time they take the entire issue of east

Jerusalem as a national project. I am happy that I managed to lead this natural and worthy step, which will lead to a dramatic change in sewage and waste." (YNETNEWS 28 May 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) ravaged civilian homes in Jerusalem's eastern town of al-Issawiya and kidnapped 12 Palestinians. (PALINFO 29 May 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed Al-Aqsa Mosque compound from Mughrabi Gate, under heavy guard from Israeli special police, in a clear deliberate violation of its sanctity on the third day of the holy month of Ramadan. At least 91 Israeli settlers and 40 students broke into the holy shrine amid heavy presence of Israeli police and carried out provocative tours in various parts of its yards. (PALINFO 29 May
- The Israeli cabinet approved a plan to financially induce Arab East Jerusalem schools to switch from the Palestinian curriculum to the Israeli one, as proposed by Education Minister Naftali Bennett and Jerusalem Affairs and Heritage Minister Zeev Elkin. "The purpose of this five-year plan is to improve the quality of education in East Jerusalem, with an emphasis on encouraging the study of the Israeli curriculum in the schools," the Education Ministry statement said ... The East Jerusalem education plan's goals include a gradual increase in the number of first grades that will begin studying the Israeli curriculum, with an emphasis on English and math, over the next five years. Fifteen new classes are to be added during the first year, 18 in the second, 21 in the third, 24 in the fourth year, and 27 in the fifth. Another goal is to increase the ratio of East Jerusalem students who earn an Israeli matriculation (bagrut) certificate from 12 percent to 26 percent of those studying the Israeli curriculum in 12th grade, and to increase the percentage of those earning a technological certificate from 11 percent to 33 percent. The plan also seeks to reduce the dropout rate among 9th to 12th graders from 28 percent to 25.5 percent over the five years. (<u>Haaretz</u> 29 May 2017)
- In the occupied East Jerusalem town of Al Issawiya, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained 13 young Palestinian men and teenagers, identified as Ihab Muhammad Ubeid, Wassim Nayif Ubeid, Salih Ghassan Ubeid, Daoud Moussa Dirbas, Wahib Shawkat Ubeid, Muhammad Ibrahim Darwish, Muhammad Jamal Awwad, Mansour Mahmoud, Ihab Shawkat Ubeid, Ghanim Mustafa, Yasser Darwish, Wael Mahmoud, and Ayoub Ubeid. (Maannews 30 May 2017)

- An Israeli man attempted to enter the al-Qibli mosque -- the main mosque where Muslim worshipers perform prayers -- located inside the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in occupied East Jerusalem. (Maannews 30 May 2017)
- 161 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem and carried out provocative visits in the courtyard of the Mosque. (Maannews 30 May 2017)
- Israel's plan to improve conditions in East Jerusalem will not include neighborhoods beyond the separation barrier, Jerusalem Affairs and Environmental Protection Minister Zeev Elkin said on Monday – even though sanitation levels in those areas are extremely poor. It is estimated that more than a third of East Jerusalem residents, some 140,000 people, live in these neighborhoods. Addressing the Knesset Interior and Environment Committee, Elkin said there is no point investing money in places without a regular garbage collection. "An investment of this type requires a platform of regular maintenance," he said. The plan "to reduce hazards and upgrade infrastructures" at a cost of 177 million shekels (\$49.5 million) was approved at a special cabinet session held in honor of Jerusalem Day. The plan is to address household waste disposal, construction debris and sewerage infrastructures. According to Elkin, the cabinet discussed how to deal with neighborhoods beyond the separation barrier. "We certainly think there has to be a solution for this," he said, adding that when a solution is found, the cabinet will then make a decision on dealing with waste and sewage outside the barrier. There are two very large East Jerusalem neighborhoods left outside the barrier -Shoafat refugee camp and its environs, and Kafr Agab. Ever since the barrier was erected a decade ago, the authorities - principally the Jerusalem Municipality – stopped providing regular services to those areas. Many people moved to the neighborhoods because of the low housing prices, which made them even more crowded and increased sanitation problems: the garbage piles up, sewage flows in the streets and the water supply is problematic. In Kafr Agab, where some 60,000 people live, there has been inconsistent water supply for two months, residents say. (Haaretz 30 May 2017)
- The population in Jerusalem has been steadily increasing since 1967 while the increase in the city's Arab population is on a steady decline, according to new research. The Jewish populace is, of course, the majority, and although that majority is diminishing, the rate in which it is doing so is slowing down," said Yair Assaf-Shapira, a researcher in the Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies. "Now, we are at a state where the changes are

becoming very small." Assaf-Shapira also spoke about the possibility of an Arab majority in Jerusalem, saying that "this subject was very popular about 5-10 years ago. I think that as long that this trend is becoming more certain, you can see that it's not data errors—the number of children per mother in the Arab community is dramatically decreasing due to modernization, education and other factors. "I think that the subject on when Jerusalem will lose its Jewish majority, and what is needed to be done in order to prevent it—questions that have led in the past to the establishment of big neighborhoods and annexation—is slowly losing ground," he added. "We usually think of Jerusalem as a city that has a lot of ultra-orthodox Jews and Arabs, and so must have a high fertility rate, but when we actually compare it to the rest of the country we see that Jerusalem's population per capita in contrast to the rest of the country has remained steady since 1967." (YNETNEWS 30 May 2017)

- The Israeli police detained four Palestinian citizens, who work as musaharatis (Ramadan predawn drummers or wakers) in the Old City of Occupied Jerusalem. The four Musaharatis were held for several hours in al-Qishla police station before they were released. An Israeli police officer claimed they disturbed Jewish settlers living in a Muslim neighborhood of the Old City and threatened to arrest them again if they continued to wake up the Muslim residents living near the settlers' house. (PALINFO 31 May 2017)
- Tens of Israeli settlers stormed the Wadi Hilweh neighborhood of Silwan south of the Al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem early morning, shouting insults at local Palestinians and vandalizing vehicles. Israeli police officers and vehicles standing by as the crowd marched through the streets in the early predawn hours, to commemorate the Jewish holiday of Shavuot, which began on Tuesday and ends on Thursday. Dozens of Israeli settlers were shouting insults at Palestinian residents, throwing rocks at houses, and smashing the windows of cars parked on the streets. Israeli police raided the nearby al-Sawana neighborhood, east of the Old City, and detained three Palestinian youths. (Maannews 31 May 2017)
- More than 150 Israeli settlers forced their way into the holy site through al-Magharibah Gate under tight protection of several groups of Israeli soldiers and special police forces. The settlers carried out provocative tours in various parts of the Mosque's yards in total provocation to Palestinian worshipers. The settlers' provocative tours came as Jewish groups called yesterday for mass break-ins into the holy shrine during

Jewish holidays. Israeli police forces intensified since the morning hours their presence throughout the occupied city to provide protection for the settlers' break-ins. (PALINFO 31 May 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Jerusalem Governorate during the month of June 2017

- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Wafa 1 June 2017)
- Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem issued an administrative order to stop the construction of "bathroom units" near Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city. (Maannews 1 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and toured in several areas in Shufat refugee camp, north of Jerusalem city. (Wafa 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished a 75 square meters commercial barracks and a 12 square meters mobile house in Ar Ram town, north of Jerusalem city. The targeted structures are owned by: Said Ahmed Fauis Ghaith. Noted that the Israeli Authorities claimed that the targeted structures located near the Israeli segregation wall. (LRC 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a Palestinian house in Al Bustan neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The targeted house is owned by Khalil Khalaf Odeh. (Wattan 2 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, and toured in its courtyard. (Wattan 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city, after fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians and their houses. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA. (Orient FM 3 June 2017)
- Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem closed a Palestinian building located near Al Ghawanma gate; one of Al Aqsa mosque gates, in Jerusalem city. The building included 80 bathroom units, and was supposed to open it before Ramadan. (SilwanIC 3 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) carried out the "Flags March" to celebrate the occupy of the eastern part of Jerusalem in 1967. The march starting from the western Jerusalem through Bab Al Amoud area and reach to Al Buraq wall in the old city of Jerusalem. The

Israeli settlers raised the Israeli flags and chanted anti-Palestinian slogans, (SilwanIC 5 June 2017)

- More than 300 Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, and toured in its courtyard. (SilwanIC & NBPRS 5 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, and toured in its courtyard. (NBPRS 7 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers assaulted and injured a Palestinian bus driver; Khalid Dabash, in Jerusalem city. (NBPRS 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Planning and Construction community in the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem approved the construction of 82 housing units in the Israeli settlement of Ramat Shlomo, north of Jerusalem city. (Al-Quds 7 June 2017)
- Loay Abu As-Sa'd was injured after an Israeli police vehicle ran over him while he was in the courtyard of Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city. (Maannews 8 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and toured in several areas and neighborhoods in Ar-Ram town, north of Jerusalem city, and damaged a number of Palestinian vehicles parked at the main street in the town. (Wafa 8 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, toured in its courtyard, and performed Talmudic rituals. (Sama News 8 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Wafa 9 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian from Jenin city, while he tried to entre Jerusalem city. (Al-Quds 10 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Abu Dis town, east of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired live and rubber bullets, and teargas grenades at Palestinians. During the operation, the IOA stormed and searched a commercial structure, and handed out the owner a military order to close it. Noted that the IOA arrested the owner of the commercial structure; Osama Bader. (Maannews 10 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinians in Bab Huta neighborhood in Jerusalem city. As a result, five Palestinians were injured after the IOA assaulted them. The Palestinians were identified as: Hatim

Al Mahlous, 'Ahed Ar-Rashiq, Arafat Sider, Ramadan Sider and Thair Sider. (Raya 11 June 2017)

- Israeli Planning and Construction community in the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem approved the construction of 150 housing units in the Israeli settlement of Gilo, north of Bethlehem city. (Al-Quds 11 June 2017)
- Israeli newspaper "Kool Hair" revealed that an Israeli construction company "A.Aharoun", started the construction of "Nofi Adumim project in Ma'ale Adumim settlement, east of Jerusalem city. The new project included the construction of a building consist of 6 housing units and a building consist of 8 housing units. On the other hand, and in the Israeli settlement of Pisgat Ze'ev, north of Jerusalem city, the construction of "Pisgat Ze'ev park" project was started, where three buildings with 53 housing units will construct in the settlement. And according to the Israeli recourses, the first marketing step is for two buildings; the first one consist of 5 floors with 17 housing units, and the second building consist of 6 floors with 25 housing units. (Al-Quds 11 June 2017)
- More than 100 Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, toured in its courtyard and performed Talmudic rituals. (Al-Quds 12 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers destroyed 20 Palestinian vehicles in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. (Al-Quds 12 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, and toured in its courtyard. (Wattan 13 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Anata town, northeast of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians and their houses. During the clashes, the IOA arrested Ayman Musa Ar-Rifa'I after storming and searching his family house. (Safa 14 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, toured in its courtyard and performed Talmudic rituals. During the operation, the IOA arrested three Palestinians, one of them was identified as: Mahmoud Abu 'Irmilah. (Wafa & RB2000 14 June 2017)
- Israeli Settlement Organization (Nahal) revealed that the Israeli Planning and Construction community in the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem will hold, on the 23rd of June 2017, a meeting to discuss a new plan to construct 258 housing units on Palestinian land located between At-Tur and Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city. The new project will locate near

the land where the "National Park" will construct. According to the plan, the Israeli Authorities aims to construct a school, a Synagogue and a small park in addition to the 258 housing units. To implement this plan, the Israeli authorities will demolish 23 Palestinian houses in Al Issawiya town. (Al-Quds 14 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a number of Palestinian houses in Anata town, northeast of Jerusalem city. (Wafa 15 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, and toured in its courtyard. (RB2000 15 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers attended an event to celebrate the Jewish Shavout holiday, on a hilltop in Jabal Al Mukabir town, south of Jerusalem city, and performed Talmudic rituals. (Safa 15 June 2017)
- Israeli High Court allowed the demolition of two Palestinian houses in Qalandiya refugee camp, north of Jerusalem city. The targeted houses are owned by the families of two Palestinian martyrs; Adnan Mohammad Salah Hamad and Issa Yassen Yousif Asaf. (Orient FM 15 June 2017)
- Jerusalem Local Planning Committee in the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem approved the construction of a large building for settlers in the heart of the Batan Al Hawa neighborhood in Silwan town at the southern part of the old city of Jerusalem. The three story building will be located in one of the most densely populated areas in East Jerusalem, near the Yonatan House. (Al-Quds 15 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Wafa 16 June 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers razed "Wadi Hilwa Stadium" in Wadi Hilwa neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. (Shasha News 16 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented hundreds of Palestinians from entering the Jerusalem city to pray in Al Aqsa mosque. Where the IOA prevented the men under the age of 45 years from entering the city. (RB2000 17 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed with cement block a road link between Jabal Al Mukabir and Sur Baher towns, south of Jerusalem city. The IOA also, erected cement blocks at the southern entrance of Jabal Al Mukabir town, where the IOA stopped and searched Palestinians and checked their ID cards. (Maannews 17 June 2017)

- Israeli weekly Newspaper "Yroshalim", declared that "Beit Hanina Association prepared before two years a plan for a huge public building used in daylight hours as a school taught students from kindergarten age and even high school until they receive the certificate «albgharot» and transforms the building in the evening to the headquarters of the mass activities provide classes in Arabic and Hebrew, free judicial consultancy. Land was purchased and prepared schemes at the expense of the Association and all that's left is to get approval from the City Council to begin construction. And they sigh for in the municipality at the beginning of this idea and select Nair Barakat Mayor appointment for a tour of the project site but then he postponed the visit passed off land remained free for two years. Today there is a shortage of about 2000 class in East Jerusalem, and classes in municipal schools too overcrowded. (Al-Quds 18 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard, The Israeli settlers also, tried to perform Talmudic rituals. (NBPRS 19 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Shufat refugee camp, north of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses. During the clashes, the IOA stormed and searched two Palestinian houses owned by Ar-Rashiq and Sharha families, and arrested Musa Ar-Rashiq. (Safa & Pal Today 20 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ash-Sheikh Sa'ed village, south of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired teargas grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Wafa 20 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed A Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Wafa 20 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected military checkpoints at the entrances of Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Safa 20 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized a number of stalls from Bab Al Amoud, Bab Asbat and Bab As Sahira areas in Jerusalem city. (SilwanIC 21 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (NBPRS 21 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a Palestinian house in Deit As-Sana neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city, and ordered the residents to evacuate the house to allow the Israeli bulldozer to demolish it. The targeted house area reach to 100 square meters and owned by Khalid Al 'abbasi and inhabited by three family members. (Orient FM 21 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected military checkpoints in several streets in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (SilwanIC 21 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city. During the clashes, the IOA invaded and searched tens of houses and arrested five Palestinians, identified as: Mohammad Nader Abu 'Awis (16 years), Tamir Mlihat (17 years), Naser Mazen Muhseen (15 years), Abed Al FatahYousif Abu Saimah (15 years) and Tamer Darwish. (SilwanIC & Wafa 22 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Anata town, northeast of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians. (Wafa 22 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (NBPRS 22 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) forced the family of the Palestinian martyr; Abu Ihab Hashimah, to remove a tap water put in Aqbet Al Khalidiya neighborhood in the old city of Jerusalem. Where the visitors can drink from this tap. (Safa 23 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ar-Ram town, north of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades, and rubber bullets. During the clashes, the IOA arrested a Palestinian. (Sama News 23 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city and toured in its courtyard. (Sama News 23 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) tightened its procedures around Jerusalem city, where the IOA prevented the Palestinians under the age of 45 from entering Al Agsa mosque. (Wafa 24 June 2017)
- Israeli weekly newspaper of "Yorshalem" revealed that the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem started the preparation to construct 750 housing units, swimming pool and sport structures in the Israeli

- settlement of Ramot, northwest of Jerusalem city, within the plan "Ramot Country". (Al- Ayyam 25 June 2017)
- Israeli weekly newspaper of "Kool Ha'ir" revealed that an agreement done between the Deputy Director General of the Israeli Ministry of Environment and the City Council in Ma'ale Adumim settlement, east of Jerusalem, to construct a structure to recycle waste. (Al Ayyam 25 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted and injured a Palestinian after his vehicle hit an Israeli Jeep in Jaba village, northeast of Jerusalem city. (Raya 26 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Eaziriya town, east of Jerusalem city. The IOA stopped, searched and questioned tens of Palestinians. (Raya 26 June 2017)
- Clashes that erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in the courtyard of Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, after a group of Israeli settlers stormed and toured in the mosque. The IOA assaulted and fired live bullets at Palestinians. (Al-Quds & Wafa 26 June 2017)
- Mahfoud Khiuo was injured after an Israeli settler assaulted him while he
 was working on of the streets near Ramot settlement, northwest of
 Jerusalem city, (NBPRS 26 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city from Bab Al Magharba, and toured in its courtyard. During the operation, the IOA forced Palestinian Worshipers and ambulances to evacuate the courtyard of the mosque. Where the IOA also, closed the main gate of Al -Qibli Chapel. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired live and rubber bullets, and teargas grenades. During the operation, the IOA assaulted and injured the head of Public relations in Jerusalem Awqaf Department; Firas Ad Dibes, while he was working in the courtyard of Al Aqsa mosque. (Wafa & Maannews 27 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the courtyard of Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA. During the operation, the IOA arrested 13 Palestinians after stopping them at the entrance of the mosque or while they were in the courtyard of the mosque. Four of the arrestees were identified as: Ayham Razmi Za'anen (13 years), Amir Balbisi, Yousif Majed Hzinahi (16 years), Wissam Hijazi, Jehad Mohammad Shalabi (15 years), Malek Bassam 'Assili (14 years), Abed Al Qader Imad Abu Khdeir (16 years),

Mohammad Adel Switi (12 years), Mohammad Waled Maza'rou (16 years), Ahmed Ibrahim Huseen (17 years), Khalid As-Sahen, Sabri Alyan and Musalam Hijazi. (Wafa & Wattan 28 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Ein Al Louza neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The IOA stopped and questioned Palestinians and checked their ID cards. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired live and rubber bullets, teargas and stun grenades, and wastewater at Palestinians and their houses. During the clashes, the IOA closed the road link to Beir Ayob neighborhood. (SilwanIC 30 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city, and fired stun grenades and rubber bullets at Palestinians and their houses. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA. During the clashes, the IOA arrested Mohammad Alyan (55 years). (SilwanIC 30 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers stormed a Palestinian house in Al Qarmi neighborhood in the old city of Jerusalem, seized its consist and wrote anti –Palestinian slogans of the walls. The targeted house is owned by Salah Zalum. (Al Quds 30 June 2017)

Hebron Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Hebron Governorate during the month of April 2017

• Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians in the town of Beit Ummar north of Hebron, after a large number of Israeli raided and searched several homes in the town. The IOA detained 35-year-old Yousef Mahmoud Ekhlayyil after raiding his house, when Israeli troops confiscated winter clothes belonging to Ekhlayyil and his seven-year-old son Ammar. Ekhlayyil is a former prisoner who has spent four years in Israeli custody. The IOA also detained 24-year-old Abed al-Hamid Muhisin Awad from his home in Beit Ummar. He too is a former prisoner, having spent three years in Israeli prison. Former prisoner Ibrahim Khalil Mahmoud Abu Dayya, 24, was also detained. The three detainees were taken to Israel's Etzion detention center north of Beit Ummar. (Maannews 2 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Muhammad Saadi Ali Eklayyil in Beit Ummar and seized his identity card. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- In Hebron Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 22-year-old Muhammad al-Natsheh and 18-year-old Muhammad Abu Akker in Hebron city, as well as Abdullah Atta Hawarin in al-Dhahiriya south of Hebron city.
- In Hebron Governorate, in the southern West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) rolled into Bab al-Zawia and al-Shuhadaa Street in several army jeeps and bulldozers and leveled Palestinian lands. The IOA also wreaked havoc on civilian homes in Hebron and handed interrogation writs to two Palestinians civilians from al-Zgheir family. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) aboard seven military jeeps, stormed the vicinity of Tareq Ibn Ziad School, in al-Mashareqa Neighborhood in Hebron city, and ravaged Palestinian commercial shops. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- Three Palestinian ex-prisoners were kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) from their homes in Hebron northern town of Beit Ummar. The detainees were identified as 24-year-old Muntassar Awad and Ibrahim Abu Diyeh, along with Youssef Ikhleil, 35. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- Two Palestinian youths—Mohamed Abu Akr and Majdi al-Natsheh—were kidnapped by the Israeli border police near the Ibrahimi Mosque, in the Old City of Hebron after they had been subjected to heavy beating and to strip searches on suspicion of holding knives. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) tightened security in the Old City of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank, expanding the area under army control by several meters with cement blocks. Israeli soldiers moved cement blocks, which were installed at the entrance of al-Shuhada Street, some 10 meters further within the adjacent Bab al-Zawiya neighborhood. The cement blocks had been moved without warning or explanation. As a result, a number of Palestinian-owned stores were no longer accessible by car due to the change. One of the blocks had been set up to serve as cover for army snipers. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- In Hebron, in the southern part of the West Bank, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) abducted Shebil Ahmad Daghameen. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) soldiers set up a makeshift checkpoint at dawn on a road north of Halhul town and near Karmi Tzur settlement and embarked on searching passing vehicles for about two hours, with no reported arrests. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young man from the town of Yatta, identified as Ali Abdullah al-Arouri, 22. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- In the Hebron Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three "teenagers" from the al-Arroub refugee camp after raiding their homes and messing with the contents. The three were identified as Wadi' Muhammad Badawi, 16, Abd al-Fattah Khalid Mahfouth, 16, and Muntasir Ahmad. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young man from the village of Idhna, identified as Mutasem Billah al-Jiyawi and took him to unknown destination. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young man from the town of Yatta, identified as Ali Abdullah al-Arouri, 22. (Maannews 4 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed home demolition orders to two Palestinians of al-Hathalein family, Yaser and Adel, in Umm al-Khair village in Masafer Yatta. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- In Beit Ummar town, north of Hebron city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided two locations in the town, then searched and wreaked havoc in two homes belonging to Mutasem and Ibrahim Breijiye. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian child at a military checkpoint near the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA detained Ahmad Idris Ghaith, 12, at the Israeli Abu al-Rish checkpoint. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) injured a Palestinian with live ammunition on Wednesday in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The Palestinian was identified as Marwan Zakariya al-Asous, 28, from the northern West Bank Governorate of Nablus. Al-Asous was injured in the legs. (Maannews 6 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation police kidnapped a Palestinian young man at a military checkpoint north of Hebron after searching the public car he was aboard. Israeli policemen set up a makeshift checkpoint near the military watchtower in Wadi Sa'ier area, north of Hebron, and embarked on stopping and searching passing vehicles. The soldiers forced passengers to leave the cars they were abroad, checked their IDs and detained some

young men before they rounded up one of them and released the rest. The young man was identified as 22-year-old Hasan Shalaldeh. The reason for his detention is still unknown. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) abducted, two former political prisoners from their homes in Beit Ummar town, north of the southern West Bank city of Hebron, and summoned four Palestinians for interrogation. The soldiers invaded Beit Ummar from several directions, before storming homes and violently searching them, and abducted two former political prisoners, identified as Ahmad Yousef Ekhlayyel, 28, and Issa Ali Awad, 27. The soldiers also invaded and ransacked homes in the center of the town, in addition to Beit Za'ta area, and summoned many Palestinians, including an elderly man, for interrogation at the Etzion military and security base, north of Hebron. The summoned Palestinians have been identified as Yousef Hasan Ekhlayyel, 64, his sons, Aktham, 258, and Karam, 18, in addition to Hammad Ahmad Abu Mariya, 26. Clashes also took place between the invading soldiers, who fired many gas bombs and concussion grenades, causing many residents to suffer the severe effects of teargas inhalation, and local youths, who hurled stones at the military vehicles. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians from the Hebron-area town of Beit Ummar were slightly injured after an Israeli settler attempted to run them over on a main road connecting the southern occupied West Bank city of Hebron to Jerusalem. An Israeli settler was driving on the road, located near Beit Ummar, when the settler attempted to run over Palestinians Muhammad Basem Khader al-Alami, 25, and Saed Samir Hassan al-Salibi, 20. The Israeli settler drove very fast with his car towards the two, who noticed the settler's car rushing towards them at the last moment, causing them to fall on the side of the street, while the Israeli settler escaped. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a workshop in the town of Sair northeast of Hebron city, and confiscated equipment that the Israeli army alleged was used to manufacture weapons. The workshop, which belongs to local resident Ayyoub al-Karaki, was located in the neighboring town of al-Shuyukh, west of Sair. Israeli soldiers posted a sign on the sealed exterior door of the workshop that said the shop was "closed and will not be allowed to be opened again." The notice also warned that "other procedures" were going to be taken "regarding people and properties involved in illegal operations." (Maannews 9 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Arroub College adjacent to al-Arroub refugee camp in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron allegedly for rock throwing by local Palestinians at passing Israeli cars. (Maannews 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinians in the southern occupied West bank Governorate of Hebron, three of whom were identified as former prisoner Rafaat al-Sharabati, Wael Qafisha, and Shadi Idriss. The IOA raided several other houses belonging to former prisoners in the Hebron area, including the homes of Iyad al-Jabaa, Nihad al-Jabaa, Othman al-Qawasmi, Adib al-Qawasmi, Amin al-Qawasmi, and Ihab al-Qawasmi. (Maannews 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided several areas of the town of Beit Ummar north of Hebron, and detained 38-year-old Ziyad Muhammad Bahr, 27-year-old Ramzi Ahmad Ikhlayyil, the brother of Martyr Khalid Ikhlayyil and 23-year-old Sabri Ibrahim Awwad. The IOA also briefly detained 55-year-old Ruweida Bajis al-Salibi in Beit Ummar during a raid at her house, when Israeli soldiers assaulted her 26-year-old son Alaa, who is a former prisoner, in attempt to put pressure on her other son, 23-year-old Ahmad, to turn himself in to Israeli forces at Etzion detention center for interrogation. Additionally, the IOA briefly detained and assaulted former prisoner Khalid Abd al-Fatah Sabarna, 25, during the raid in Beit Ummar. (Maannews 9 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers kidnapped ex-detainee Ra'fat ash-Sharbati following a violent raid on his home in Aqabat Tafoh area in Hebron city. Soldiers also broke into and pillaged the house of 23-year-old Shadi an-Najjar in Abu Katila neighborhood before rounding him up. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the house of ex-detainee Louay Attawil in Abu Rumman neighborhood in the city of Hebron and confiscated his car. Homes of seven ex-detainees were also raided during the same campaign. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped an ex-prisoner from Hebron Governorate after they summoned him to questioning in Etzion camp. The 23-year-old Ahmad Issa al-Salibi was kidnapped by the IOA after he was summoned to questioning. Three other Palestinians, including ex-prisoners, were kidnapped by the Israeli soldiers from Beit Ummar on the same day. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)

- Israeli soldiers removed a stone plaque, which memorialized a Palestinian girl who was shot dead by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in October 2015 near the illegal Kiryat Arba settlement, in the Wadi al-Ghurus area of Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA smashed the monument, a marble plaque etched with a Quran verse, which stated that the street was renamed after 17-year-old Bayan al-Esseili. (Maannews, WAFA 10 April 2017)
- Israeli soldiers invaded several Palestinian homes, in the southern West Bank city of Hebron, violently searched them and abducted two Palestinians, in addition to confiscating machines from a lathe workshop. The soldiers abducted Rafat Maher Sharabati, from his home, and invaded his father's lathe workshop, before confiscating machines and equipment. The soldiers also abducted another Palestinian, identified as Mos'ab Abu Turki, after invading and ransacking his home, in the city. (IMEMC 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) installed many roadblocks at the main roads leading to Sa'ir and Halhoul towns, in addition to Hebron's northern road, before stopping and searching dozens of cars, and interrogated many residents while inspecting their ID cards. (IMEMC 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) temporarily closed all entrances to the city of Hebron around noon, while tightening military procedures on bypass roads in the northern, eastern and southern parts of the city. The IOA installed iron gates at some of the entrances to the city, while also erecting checkpoints and checking the identity cards of Palestinians passing through. (Maannews 10 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers attacked a Palestinian child in Hebron leaving him suffering from different injuries and bruises. The 14-year-old Hassan Shaloudi was transferred to hospital after being brutally beaten by a group of settlers while on his way to school. The assault occurred when the settlers stopped Hassan and ordered him to open his bag and to throw all its content onto the ground. The schoolboy was then beaten after he refused to do so. Hassan fainted and was left bleeding on the ground before being taken to hospital. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed in the Old City of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank closed the entrance to the Palestinian Health Work Committees' emergency center, leaving patients and

ambulances unable to reach the center. The closure was conducted in line with a series of procedures that the IOA routinely take in the Old City during Jewish holidays. Monday's closure saw all entrances leading to the Old City shut down with iron gates and cement blocks, including the only entrance leading to the medical emergency center. The entrance leading to the center was closed with an iron gate, which prevented anyone from reaching or leaving the center, including those in need of medical care. (Maannews 11 April 2017)

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- A number of Palestinian protesters choked on teargas in clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Hebron's northern town of Beit Ummar. Clashes broke out in al-Dhuhr area, opposite to the illegal Israeli settlement of Karmi Tsur. The occupation soldiers attacked the Palestinian anti-occupation protesters with randomly-discharged spates of teargas canisters. A number of Palestinians choked on teargas in the clashes. The occupation soldiers further blocked off the main access road to Sh'ab al-Seir area before Palestinian civilians. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 24-year-old Hazem Khalid Khallaf, after raiding his house in the town of Dura in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- Israeli military patrols stationed at a military checkpoint in Beit Jala summoned 25-year-old Khalil Abu Mariya, from Beit Ummar, to questioning in Etzion camp. (PALINFO 12 April 2017
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the 16-year-old Palestinian boy Ahmad Abu Ayyash, from Beit Ummar town, north of Hebron in the southern West Bank. The IOA soldiers arrested the young man in Beit Zateh area, east of the town, while he was going back home. The soldiers beat up the minor after he allegedly threw stones at them, he pointed out. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- Tens of Israeli settlers raided Yatta's Munici[a[lity Public park in Al Karmel area south of Hebron city, checked Palestinian cars and obstructed movement. (WAFA 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli soldiers installed many roadblocks at Hebron's southern entrance, in al-Fahs area, in addition to Beit Einoun area, east of the city, Farsh al-Hawa, west of Hebron, and Wad al-Ghrous, in its eastern part, before stopping and searching dozens of cars, and interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards. Dozens of soldiers and military vehicles were also deployed on roads leading to many villages

and towns, especially on bypass roads, in several parts of the Hebron district. (IMEMC 12 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a Palestinian home in the southern occupied West Bank village of Khursa, expelling its residents and setting up a temporary military post there. Israeli soldiers raided Khalid al-Shahatit's home and forced out his family, informing them that they would occupy the house until 4 p.m. The troops also hung an Israeli flag outside of the building. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers entered the northern part of the town of Dura in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron in order to carry out Passover celebrations on the Palestinian town's land. Dozens of Israeli settlers, under the protection of armed Israeli forces, raided Ein Far'a area north of Dura town, which is revered by locals as an important historical site, set up pergolas in the area to celebrate Passover. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Thousands of Israeli settlers, escorted by heavily-armed army, stormed the Ibrahimi Mosque, in Hebron, to mark the Jewish Passover Holiday. Thousands of settlers stormed the Ibrahimi Mosque shortly after the Israeli occupation Army closed the site before the Muslim worshipers and non-Jewish visitors. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) tightened their military restrictions in Hebron and the neighboring towns. Several military checkpoints were also erected at the northern entrances to the city and the nearby towns while several roads were closed in the area. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) intensified their military presence throughout the Old City and near the Ibrahimi Mosque. Hundreds of settlers carried out collective break-ins into an ancient building in Hebron marking the second day of Passover. Palestinian commercial shops in Hebron Beer Sheva Street were forced to shut down during the settlers' marches. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army also sealed off the main entrance to Hebron's northern town of Beit Ummar, in the southern West Bank, and blocked the access of Palestinian vehicles out of and into the area. (PALINFO 16 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank before dawn, shutting down and sealing off two bookstores after confiscating materials. Muhammad bookstore near Hebron University and the Hussam bookstore near the Palestine

Polytechnic University in the city were targeted by the Israeli military raid, with soldiers posting notices on their doors claiming the bookstores were ordered to close down for being "involved in incitement." The stores were closed allegedly for having "cooperated with local student cells of the Hamas terror organization, by providing a series of services to the cells, including printing incitement material." (Maannews 17 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two Palestinian youngsters near the Ibrahimi Mosque, in the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron, claiming they were holding knives. The IOA stopped two Palestinian young men at Abu al-Rish military checkpoint, set up near the Ibrahimi Mosque, and subjected them to intensive interrogation before they accused them of carrying knives and detained them. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped Aysar Bilal Rabah Fdeilat, 18, from Al Arroub refugee camp north of Hebron city after raiding his family house in Hebron and messing with the contents. (WAFA 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Ad Dahiryah town and stormed the house of Hazem Khaled Khalil Khulaf and messed with the contents. (WAFA 18 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians, including a minor, were arrested near the Ibrahimi Mosque, in Hebron, over an alleged anti-occupation stabbing attack. The two captives were identified as Jamil and Ali al-Ajalouni, both arrested at Abu al-Rish military checkpoint. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from the town of Beit Ummar during predawn raids. The IOA raided and searched several houses in Beit Ummar and detained two youths, identified as 17-year-old Muayyad Ayish Khalil Abu Maria and 17-year-old Qussawi Raed Sharif Abu Hashem. The IOA also raided and searched the house of 50-year-old Ahmad Khalil Abed Abu Hisham, and smashed the doors of his house. Israeli soldiers posted a notice ordering Abu Hisham to meet with the intelligence Israeli Etzion detention at the center for interrogation. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- In the Hebron area town of Yatta, two Palestinians were detained, identified as Muhammad Kamal Daoud and Muossa Jamal Daoud. (Maannews 19 April 2017)

- Two Palestinians were detained in Hebron city, one of the detainees from Hebron city as Mustafa Obeido. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- A Palestinian was detained in the village of Beit Ula in the northwestern outskirts of the Hebron Governorate. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) confiscated drilling equipment worth over million shekels after notifying a Palestinian industrial facility north of al-Khalil city with stop-work orders. The IOA raided a stone quarry in Shib al-Sir area near Karmei Tzur settlement south of Beit Ummar and handed its owner, Yousuf Abu Ayyash, two stop-work notices without prior warning. The IOA ordered the owner of the quarry to refer to the Civil Administration in Gush Etzion settlement to decide on the issue, noting that the quarry has been operating for 18 years. (PALINFO, WAFA 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Kherbit At Tabban, Kherbit Al Fakheit and Kherbit Al Majaz in the southern Hebron hills, and took photos of Al Masafer school, clinic and a number of residencies in the aforementioned area. (WAFA 19 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron identified as Muhammad Samer Ayyash Ikhlayyil, a 38-year-old resident of the village of Beit Ummar, at the Hizma checkpoint in the Jerusalem Governorate as he was heading back from work, while Mahmoud Abu Hashhash was detained in the al-Fawwar refugee camp. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped head of Beit Ummer Association for Orphans Care, Ahmad Muhamamd Abdel Qader Al Omari, 63, after raiding his house and searching it. Al Omari was transferred to Etzion military camp. (ORIENTBETHELHEM 20 April 2017)
- In collaboration with Israeli police, Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided a blacksmith workshop in Hebron city where they confiscated six lathes and closed the shop after claims of finding weapons. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- In the Hebron-area village of Beit Ummar, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched two gas stations around dawn. No detentions were reported. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from Hebron city, and

three from the village of Surif during overnight detention raids. The two Palestinians were detained from Surif, and identified them as former prisoner Taqi al-Din Jamal al-Hour and Baraa Hussein Hmidat. (Maannews 21 April 2017)

- A group of Israeli settlers attacked a Palestinian child in Hebron leaving him suffering from different injuries and bruises. The 14-year-old Hassan Shaloudi was transferred to hospital after being brutally beaten by a group of settlers while on his way to school. The assault occurred when the settlers stopped Hassan and ordered him to open his bag and to throw all its content onto the ground. The schoolboy was then beaten after he refused to do so. Hassan fainted and was left bleeding on the ground before being taken to hospital. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at dawn raided homes in the southern Governorate of Hebron and handed Palestinian citizens summonses for interrogation from the Shin Bet. Israeli soldiers and one Shin Bet officer entered aboard vehicles Khallet al-Dar area, south of Hebron, ransacked the house of ex-detainee Mahmoud Abu Asnainah and handed him a summons for interrogation. (PALINFO 22 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into and pillaged two homes in the southern Governorate of Hebron, particularly in the areas of Wadi al-Qadi and Zif, and handed two citizens interrogation orders. (PALINFO 22 April 2017)
- In the west of Hebron, an Israeli military force set up a makeshift checkpoint on Beit Kahel Bridge, where they embarked on intercepting and searching passing vehicles, and checking IDs of passengers. The IOA at the checkpoints detained a citizen called Khalil al-Atawneh, who works at the government hospital in Hebrin city, for about one and a half hours and then released him. (PALINFO 22 April 2017)
- A Palestinian child was moderately injured after an Israeli settler opened fire at him in Al Karma area in Hebron city. The injured Palestinian was identified as Yousif Wael Al Awawdah, 6 years. (WAFA 22 April 2017)
- Several Palestinians suffered from severe tear gas inhalation after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) troops stormed the outskirts of the southern occupied West Bank town of Beit Ummar. The IOA denied worshipers access to the al-Sumud mosque in the al-Thahir area, near the illegal Israeli settlement of Karmi Zur, during afternoon prayers, in addition to placing stones in the middle of the road and blocking both pedestrian and vehicular access. The IOA also fired shots at power lines when they

withdrew from the area, causing electricity cuts. (Maannews 23 April 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three 17-year-old Palestinians from the Old City of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA deployed near the illegal Beit Romano settlement detained three Palestinians and forced them into the settlement at gunpoint. The three were identified by locals as Muhammad Majid Abd al-Majid al-Ashqar, Bahaa Mujahid, and Malik Talib Maraqa. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinian boys, all at the age of 17, near the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron city for allegedly possessing sharp tools. The IO soldiers present in the vicinity of the Ibrahimi Mosque arrested the three boys after searching them. They were taken to Beit Romano settlement which is built in the center of Hebron city. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Clashes broke out at al-Shuhadaa crossroads, near the southern entrance to Jenin, shortly after Israeli soldiers in four military jeeps rolled into the area. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian minors in Hebron governorate in the southern West Bank. The detained minors were identified as Ahmad Mohammad and Ahmad Bader of the Zamaarah family in Halhoul town north of Hebron. Both minors, who are only 17 years old, were taken to an unknown destination. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities delivered demolition orders for two Palestinian-owned homes and a water well in the South Hebron Hills region of the occupied West Bank. Israel's Civil Administration escorted by armed Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided the village of Khirbet Isfey east of Yatta and handed warrants to residents Ismail Hussein Awwad and Elayyan Awwad, notifying them that their two single-room residential structures and a water well were ordered to be demolished. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities raided Kerbit Al Fakhiet east of Yatta Town in the southern of Hebron city and delivered demolition orders for residential barracks owned by Sons of Muhammad Salem Al 'Imour and Muhammad Mahmoud Salameh Al 'Imour. (Wafa 23 April 2017)
- Israeli raids were carried out in Beit Ummer town in Hebron where a number of local houses were stormed and searched under the pretext of looking for "wanted" persons which led to the outbreak of violent clashes.

Heavy teargas bombs and live ammunition were used during the clashes, while no injuries were reported. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)

- In Hebron city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a local farm in Yatta town south of the city. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- In the southernmost occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli occupation troops raided the village of al-Samu and detained one Palestinian. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Dar al-Israa library, owned by the Palestinian ex-prisoner Taher Dendis near al-Khalil University. The IOA wreaked havoc on the building and seized all the laptops. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed another branch of the library, near al-Khalil municipality, and ruled that it be closed for six months on claims of selling anti-occupation material. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) sealed off the northern entrance to Hebron Governorate with a military checkpoint and cracked down on Palestinian civilians. The IOA set up a military checkpoint in Halhul Bridge area, where Palestinian drivers and civilians had been subjected to intensive inspection. The occupation soldiers have tightened grip on al-Khalil and closed off the city with makeshift checkpoints over the past few days. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- A military checkpoint had been pitched near the main entrance to al-Hawawer area between Halhul and the Israeli bypass road. Palestinian vehicles and citizens had also been made to endure exhaustive searches. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- Ex-prisoner Wadi' Badran Jaber was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from Hebron Governorate (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians were injured during clashes that erupted in the Bab al-Zawiyeh area of Hebron city in the southern West Bank. Several others suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation as the IOA fired tear-gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at youth. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on a solidarity sit-in tent in the al-Arrub refugee camp in northern Hebron, causing clashes to erupt between locals and the armed IOA. The IOA raided the center of the camp, with Palestinian youths throwing rocks at Israeli soldiers who fired tear-gas, causing several to suffer from suffocation. (Maannews 28 April 2017)

- In the village of Beit Ummar in the north of Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) injured two Palestinians with live bullets and another with rubber-coated bullets after clashes broke out amid a solidarity march in the village. Five Palestinians also suffered from tear gas inhalation. One was injured with shrapnel from a live bullet in the chest, and two were injured with tutu bullets in their legs. The IOA took over the roof tops of 10 Palestinian homes in the village and turned them into temporary military posts and shot tutu bullets, rubber-coated bullets, and live ammunition at Palestinians. The IOA also sprayed waste water at Palestinians before retreating from the village two hours after the clashes broke out. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) dressed up as Palestinian civilians and detained five Palestinians while assaulting them near the Hebron governmental hospital during clashes that erupted in the area around the hospital. clashes had erupted from Bab al-Zawiya area and reached the area of the Hebron governmental hospital. The IOA fired a sound bomb at the hospital, causing the front glass door of the emergency section to shatter. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Five Palestinian young men were kidnapped by Israeli plain-clothes soldiers during clashes in Hebron while a child suffered a bullet injury in the same events. The IOA disguised as civilians rounded up five young men during violent skirmishes with Israeli troops in the central neighborhoods of Hebron city. During the same clashes, 14-year-old Mu'men Misk was injured in the leg by a live bullet and many others suffered from inhaling tear gas. Two young men, both aged 18, also suffered injuries and bruises when soldiers physically assaulted them in the events. (PALINFO 29 April 2017)
- An Israeli settler ran over a four-year-old Palestinian boy, identified as Murad Samir al-Razam, in the center of Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank and fled the scene. The hit and run occurred in the center of Hebron city, near the illegal Israeli Ramat Yishai settlement adjacent to Tel Rumeida. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- A Palestinian child was critically injured after he was hit by a settler driving east of Yatta, in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. An Israeli settler rammed his car into the Palestinian child Ahmed Mohamed Amour on a bypass road near Khilet al-Miyeh, east of Yatta, in southern Hebron. The child sustained serious wounds as he was

- violently run over by the settler, who was driving at a high speed in the area. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two Palestinian children near the Ibrahimi Mosque, in Hebron. Bashar Gheith and Mohamed Gheith, both 17-year-old, were kidnapped by the occupation soldiers at Checkpoint 106, set up in the vicinity of the Ibrahimi Mosque, in the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed the plazas of the Ibrahimi Mosque and performed sacrilegious rituals, sparking tension in the area. The Israeli military forces tightened restrictions near the Ibrahimi place of worship. At the same time, Israeli settler hordes have held parties and chanted anti-Arab slogans to mark Israel's Independence Day. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the town of Idhna southwest of Hebron and raided several houses. The IOA detained six Palestinians in the town, five of whom were identified by locals as Rafaat Raed Abu Jehisha, Muhammad Abd al-Karim Farraj Allah, Fadi Halim Eslimiya, Nashaat Fadil Eslimiya, and Yossef Ali Awad. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Firas Hasan Marar during raids in the Hebron Governorate. (Maannews 30 April 2017)
- Clashes broke out between Palestinian youth and the Israeli army near the main entrance to al-Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron city. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian schoolchildren with randomly-shot spates of teargas canisters. Several young learners choked on teargas in the process. Clashes burst out shortly afterwards. The Israeli army further closed off the northern entrances to al-Arroub refugee camp, sparking further tension in the area. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- A number of Palestinian citizens choked on teargas when Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Beit Ummar town in northern Hebron and fired teargas canisters. The IO soldiers fired rubber bullets and teargas grenades at the inhabitants and their homes located close to Karmei Tzur settlement. Many people choked on teargas. The IO soldiers confiscated a car belonging to Ayesh Abu Mariya and fired a teargas canister inside it. Abu Mariya suffered severe suffocation. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Hebron Governorate during the month of May 2017

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained 20 year-old Marwan Ashour after raiding his house in the Abu Sneineh neighborhood in the center of Hebron city in the southern West Bank. (Maannews 1 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Malik Taysir Ghneimat in the village of Surif in Hebron Governorate. (Maannews 1 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided and thoroughly searched a home belonging to the al-Ghaith family in the southern Hebron district, breaking the front door, and confiscating a car belonging to Adel Barakat Ghaith. (Maannews 1 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) Detained four Palestinians, including two aged 17, from the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The IOA stormed the town of Surif to the northwest and detained a 20-year-old youth after raiding his family home. The IOA detained three more Palestinians, including two minors aged 17, after raiding their family homes. The IOA further stormed several neighbourhoods in the city, placing military checkpoints at their entrances and stopping Palestinian-registered vehicles and checking passengers identity cards, causing a traffic jam. (wafa 1 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers installed dozens of Israeli flags on the Ibrahimi mosque in the southern occupied West Bank city of Hebron, in celebration of Israeli Independence Day, which coincides with the Palestinian Nakba, or "catastrophe," which on 1948 saw some 750,000 Palestinians expelled from their lands. (Maannews 1 May 2017)
- At least two Palestinians were shot and injured with rubber-coated steel bullets during clashes with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in al-'Aroub refugee camp, north of the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The IOA raided the camp using rubber baton rounds and tear gas canisters against residents and their homes, shooting and injuring two youths in the face and foot. Several suffocation cases were also reported among the camp's residents. (WAFA 3 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two Palestinian citizens from al-Fawwar refugee camp, southwest of Hebron city. The 19-year-old Wisam Maghalsa and 25-year-old Mohamed Khudairat were kidnapped from their homes in the camp. (PALINFO 3 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) broke into Palestinians homes and occupied their rooftops in al-Rahma neighborhood of Hebron city, with no reported arrests. (PALINFO 3 May 2017)

- A Palestinian child was hospitalized for a head injury after being deliberately hit by an Israeli settler driving in the town of Yatta in the southern occupied West Bank The 8-year-old Laith Yousif Shatat was run over by an Israeli settler while the child was standing outside of his school, which is located on the main road in eastern Yatta. (Mannnews 3 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities closed all entrances of Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank in search of three Israeli settlers who had went missing and were later found in Jerusalem. The IOA raided several buildings, stores, and houses on Bir al-Sabe street and the surrounding area, where they confiscated surveillance camera recordings. The IOA also confiscated surveillance camera recordings from areas surrounding the nearby Bab al-Zawiya area in central Hebron city. (Maannews 3 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) continued to close the entrance of Beit 'Einoun village in the direction of Hebron and Sa'ir after closing it with iron gates. The IOA closed last night the area of Beit Einoun and the road leading to Hebron from Sair village and vice versa. The IOA have recently closed the entrance without any significant reasons. (Maannews 3 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided an industrial workshop near the Hebron-area village of Yatta and seized a lathe that was allegedly being used to manufacture weapons. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- In the Hebron Governorate of the southern West Bank, at least three Palestinians were shot and injured with rubber-coated steel bullets during clashes with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in the al-Arrub refugee camp. One of the injured young men suffered from leg fracture, another was hit in the thigh, and the third was hit in the foot. Clashes broke out after the IOA raided the camp for unknown reasons. The IOA fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas at residents and their homes, resulting in the injury of the three youths, whose identities remained unknown, and the suffocation of several others as a result of the tear gas. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from the southern West Bank's Hebron Governorate. Two Palestinians were detained in the village of Beit Ummar, and one was detained in the village of Surif. (Maannews 4 May 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed al-Samou 'village in the south of Hebron, raided and searched a house belonging to Mohammed' Abdul Qader al-Daghameen. . (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- In the town of Beit Ummar in the Hebron Governorate, two Palestinians were injured with live bullets in their feet after the IOA Opened live bullets at protesters during a march launched in the town in solidarity with the hunger strikers. The march was set off from the mosque in the central part of the town after Friday prayers and headed to the "seam zone" -- unilaterally declared areas around Israel's separation wall where Palestinians are not allowed to be, where Israeli soldiers suppressed the march and "attacked protesters. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- A number of Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation during clashes in the village of Bab al-Zawiya area in the center of Hebron which broke out following a march that set off after Friday prayers. Israeli occupation army (IOA) fired tear gas canisters at the demonstrators. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian youth in the vicinity of the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron city and was identified as Mahmoud al-Rajabi. Al Rajabi was arrested for no apparent reasons. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the southern West Bank city of Hebron and detained three Palestinians, identified as Munjid Nadir Qawasmeh, Seif al-Islam Qafisha, and Malik al-Natsha. Qawasmeh, was released from Israeli custody only a week ago after a nine-month imprisonment. (Maannews 8 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) searched the home of Palestinian journalist Musab Qafisha and upended his belongings during the overnight raid in Hebron, but did not detain him. (Maannews 8 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed several areas at dawn in Beit Ummar town to the north of Hebron city and searched a number of houses and a workshop and stationed on the roofs of some houses. Before withdrawing from the town, the IOF handed orders to two citizens to appear before the Israeli Intelligence at Etzion detention center and confiscated the ID card of a third citizen. The IOA also arrested a number of ex-prisoners in the raids. (PALINFO 8 May 2017)

- In the southernmost West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Amjad Asim al-Jaabari and Bilal al-Muhtasib in Hebron city. (Maannews 9 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained six Palestinians in the village of Dura in Hebron Governorate -- identified as Imad Jadallah, Munir Abu Sharar, Jaafar Abu Arqoub, Usama Abu Arqoub, Jamal Talahma, and Hussam Yousif al-Amayra. (Maannews 9 May 2017)
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron, a number of Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation during clashes with the IOA in the village of Beit Ummar. The IOA fired tear gas canisters at protesters after suppressing a march organized in the village in solidarity with the hunger strike. The IOA had also stationed themselves on the roof of a house belonging to Mahmoud Saleh Abu Ayyash and began firing tear gas at youths. (Maannews 12 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Usama Fahmi Abu Turki, 28, from Hebron city, after raiding a wedding ceremony in Um Ad Dalia area south of Hebron city. (WAFA 12 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested ciztien Ra'fat Nabeel Abdel Qader Shateet, 12, AT Kharsa Junction SOUTH OF Dura city in the southern Hebron Governorate. Clashes erupted between the IOA and Palestinians following the arrest of citizen Shahateet, where the IOA fired tear gas bombs to disperse Palestinians. (SAFA 12 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian young woman near the Ibrahimi Mosque. The IO soldiers stationed near the Mosque detained the young woman, in her twenties, after claiming she had a knife in her bag. (PALINFO 13 May 2017)
- An Israeli settler in a speeding car ran over a Palestinian man in eastern Hebron identified as Ghassan Al Muhtaseb. The 35-year-old man was crossing the street "60" to the east of Hebron when he was hit by the settler who then sped away. His injuries were described as moderate. (PALINFO 15 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) began leveling lands in a Palestinian village in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, in preparation for the construction of a new military watchtower in the area. The IOA escorted bulldozers onto lands owned by the Abu Arqoub and Abu Sheikha families of the village, who had previously had their lands confiscated by Israeli Army. The bulldozers leveled approximately 1,200 square meters of land, are to be used for a new military watchtower in

order to "protect Israeli settlers passing by" on a nearby route. (Maannews 16 May 2017)

- In the Hebron Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from the town of Beit Ummar. The detainees were identified as Aziz Mahmoud Muhammad Ikhlayyil, 26, and Muhammad Numan Muhammad Zaaqiq, 23, after raiding their homes. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- Former prisoner Muhammad Zuheir Mahmoud al-Allami, 22, who was released one month ago, was delivered a summons notice to go "meet" with Israeli intelligence at the Etzion detention center, north of Beit Ummar. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- In the town of Yatta, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided several house in after midnight and detained a Palestinian woman and a "youth." (Maannews 16 May 2017) (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Suzanne Abu Qubeita after raiding and searching her house. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- Citizen Mustafa al-Jundi was detained when the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) came looking for his brother, but detained him instead after being unable to find his brother. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- In the town of al-Samu in Hebron Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched the house of Abd al-Fattah Abu Tabikh, where they confiscated 10,000 shekels (\$2,780) and delivered a summons to Abu Tabikh's son Muhammad to meet with the Israeli intelligence. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested at dawn Issa al-Jabari, former minister of local government, after storming his home in Hebron city in the southern West Bank. His car was confiscated as well. The IO soldiers detained family members in one room, violently searched the house and wreaked havoc inside it before arresting al-Jabari. (PALINFO 16 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Karisa village to the west of Dura town near Hebron and besieged the home of ex-detainee, Rezek al-Rajoub. The IOA then started digging the house walls and floors for unreleased reasons. The IO troops along with Special Forces have besieged the home since the early morning hours. They detained all of the family members in one room and searched the house thoroughly. Citizen Rezek al-Rajoub served over twenty years of imprisonment in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 17 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) distributed a leaflet threatening to withdraw workers' permits in the northern West Bank town of Beit Ummar in Hebron Governorate. The IOA stationed at the entrance to Beit Ummar distributed leaflets on vehicles, buses and to pedestrians threatening citizens and workers to withdraw their permits, under the pretext of stone throwing on Israeli settlers and military vehicles driving on the Jerusalem-Hebron road. The leaflet demanded that workers prevent their children from throwing stones to preserve their work permits. (WAFA 18 May 2017)
- Groups of Jewish settlers pitched six tents at the entrance of al-Fuwar refugee camp south of in the southern West Bank. A number of Israeli settlers set up six tents near the Israeli military watchtower at the entrance of the refugee camp. (PALINFO 17 May 2017).
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) erected a military barrier at the northern entrance of Hebron and blocked traffic for search purposes. (PALINFO 17 May 2017).
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) surrounded the home of former Palestinian prisoner Rizq al-Rujoub in the southern occupied West Bank town of Dura west of Hebron, before searching the house and tearing down some of its interior walls. The IOA raided the Karisseh area of Dura and prevented people from approaching al-Rujoub's house, as Israeli soldiers ransacked the home, upending his belongings, and demolished the walls. Israeli soldiers also prevented an ambulance from reaching the area to evacuate a woman to the hospital after she went into labor. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- In the southernmost Governorate of Hebron, two Palestinians were detained in al-Arrub refugee camp, one in the village of Bani Naim, and one in Hebron city. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained a wounded 19-year-old Palestinian after an Israeli settler got out of his car and shot the young man for allegedly throwing rocks at passing vehicles on Route 60 in the central occupied West Bank. Israeli settlers opened fire on 19-year-old Ibrahim Rasem Hamed and a group of other Palestinian activists who had closed off the section of the highway east of Ramallah to voice support for the ongoing mass hunger strike launched by more than 1,000 Palestinian prisoners held by Israel. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- In the village of Beit Ummar in Hebron, tens of Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation during clashes with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during a march held in solidarity with the hunger strikers. The march was

set off from the village's hunger strike solidarity tent following Friday prayers. The IOA suppressed the march by firing tear gas canisters and sound bombs at the protesters, causing several cases of tear gas inhalation. The IOA also stationed on the roof of a home belonging to local resident Muhammad Saleh Abu Ayyash. The IOA detained the 17-year-old Hasan Muhammad Sabarna after raiding his home and transporting him to Israel's Etzion detention center. (Maannews 19 May 2017)

- In the Bab al-Zawiya area of the Old City in Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas canisters and rubber-coated bullets at Palestinians after clashes erupted following a march organized in solidarity with hunger strikers following Friday prayers. Four Palestinians were injured with rubber-coated bullets, while three Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation. Four Palestinians were also detained by the IOA. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- In the village of Bani Naim, in Hebron Governorate, clashes erupted, with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) firing tear gas canisters at Palestinians, causing an elderly man in the village to suffer from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- Israeli soldiers stormed areas in Hebron city at dawn and kidnapped three
 Palestinians from their homes, adding that a car belonging to one of the
 detainees was confiscated during the IOA campaign. The detainees were
 identified as Suhaib Abu Hussein, Yousef Amr, and Issa al-Ja'bari, the
 owner of the seized car.
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Citzien Usama Bassam Munir Ikhleil, 21, after raiding his home in Safa area in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city and took him to unknown destination. (WAFA 19 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian citizen from Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city and took him to unknown destination.
 The arrestee was identified as Hasan Muhamamd Hasan Sabuna, 17. (WAFA 19 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up several checkpoints throughout the village of Dura in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The IOA erected the checkpoints near the Khursa and Tarama areas of southern Dura, stopped Palestinian vehicles and checked the passengers' IDs, while obstructing movement in and out of these areas. (Maannews 20 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a protest camp near the village of Yatta in the Southern Hebron Hills of the occupied West Bank, confiscating tents used by locals and activists attempting to restore the depopulated Palestinian community of Sarura, whose residents were expelled by Israeli forces between 1980 and 1998. The IOA raided the area without showing any military orders or providing justification for the raid and dismantlement of the "Sumud: Freedom Camp," established only a day earlier. They started pushing the activists, shouting, and intimidating everyone. They switched off the electricity generator, and left Palestinians unable to see what was happening around them. The IOA then began to rip down tents and confiscate equipment, including the generator, sound system, and data projectors used by the locals to hold educational events at the site. (Maannews 21 May 2017)
- A number of Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation as Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the Hebron-area town of Beit Ummar in the southern occupied West Bank, causing clashes to erupt between locals and the IOA. The IOA fired tear gas and sound bombs at locals, adding that the IOA closed the northern entrance of the town and prevented Palestinians from passing through the entrance. The clashes came after the IOA raided Beit Ummar and detained a young Palestinian man. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Clashes broke out in the Zif community between Yatta and Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank, after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a peaceful march from a sit-in tent established in solidarity with the prison hunger strike. The IOA shot live fire into the air and fired tear gas canisters at protesters, causing at least two Palestinians to suffer from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Clashes erupted between Palestinian youth and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the Bab al-Zawiya area of Hebron city. The IOA fired tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinians, causing no injuries. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians near the Hebron -area town of Beit Ummar in the southern occupied West Bank, while the five were attempting to extinguish a fire close to the nearby illegal Israeli Gush Etzion settlement when they were detained by the IOA. The detainees were identified as Ghazi Ahmad Adi, 35, Omar Muhammad Abed al-Hamid Ekhlayil, 28, and Jamal Nayef Badir Adi, 25. The two others, whose identities remained unknown, were from the nearby town

of Surif. The five were taken to the Etzion detention center. (Maannews 22 May 2017).

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian minors in Wad Qubboun neighborhood west of Hebron after chasing and shooting at them. Both Palestinians were captured during clashes that erupted in al-Ramah Suburb in the city between Palestinian youths and IO soldiers. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas grenades at the home of al-Himouni family in down Hebron city. The owner of the house suffered breathing problems due to the intensive firing of teargas canisters. IOF troops also erected a military barrier at the entrance of Beit Ummar town, north of the city, and stopped the passing by cars for search purposes. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammed Za'aqiq, 22, after storming Beit Ummar town to the north of the city and searching his house and tampering with its contents. Za'aqiq was taken to Gush Etzion interrogation center, south of Bethlehem. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)
- In Hebron city, a 17-year-old teenager called Ra'ed Da'na was also kidnapped by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from the Old City and was taken to an interrogation center near the illegal settlement of Kiryat Arba. (PALINFO 23 May 2017).
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) patrolling the streets of Hebron's Old City detained a 17-year-old Palestinian. (WAFA 23 May 2017).
- In the Hebron-district village of Beit Ummar, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the area and detained brothers Ghazi and Jamal Muhammad Aadi. (WAFA 23 May 2017).
- In the nearby village of Kharras, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Muataz Qdeimat during a home raid, during which his house was ransacked. (WAFA 23 May 2017).
- In the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli soldiers had put up a checkpoint at the entrance of the village of Sair, after initially sealing it with an iron gate, inspecting the IDs of all passengers in vehicles seeking to use the road. (Maannews 23 May 2017)
- In the southern West Bank city of Hebron, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians who were identified as Mustafa Kamil Shawer, 59, Salah Zgheir, 23, Yusri Hashim Yunis al-Hashlamoun, 28, Omar Abd al-Hai al-Qmeiri, 37, and Raed Abd al-Afo Muhammad al-Imla, 28. (Maannews 24 May 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a new military checkpoint in the heart of Tel Ar Rumeida area in Hebron city south of the West Bank. The checkpoint will be equipped with high-tech technologies and electric doors in an attempt to separate a number of Palestinian homes from the area. (WAFA 24 May 20017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated 7 Palestinian cars in Yatta, south of Hebron city, allegedly for transporting Palestinians without permits to enter Israel. (Maannews 25 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a protest tent that was set up by local residents and international activists in Sarura village east of Yatta town to prevent the annexation of the area. As a result, clashes erupted between protestors and the IOA, where the latter assaulted the protestors and injured a number of them. (Wafa 25 May 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in the al-Asida area of the Beit Ummar village during a demonstration to support the hunger strikers, with a number of Palestinians suffering from tear gas inhalation and the IOA hosing Palestinian houses in the area with wastewater. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- in the Bab al-Zawiya area of Hebron city, clashes erupted at the entrance of Shuhada street, which has been closed off to Palestinian residents for nearly two decades. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas and rubber-coated bullets at the Palestinian protesters and detained an unidentified young Palestinian during the clashes. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Sarura protest camp near the village of Yatta in the Southern Hebron Hills of the occupied West Bank around 11 a.m. and ripped down a tent that had been re-erected after IOA conducted a similar raid two days ago. The IOA destroyed the tent, confiscated equipment and building materials, and attacked Canadian Jewish activists, as well as a 55-year-old Palestinian man from Sarura. The IOA intimidated Palestinian children in the area, and threatened activists, telling them not to continue their work at the camp. The protest camp has been established and populated with local Palestinians and international Jewish activists in recent days in an attempt to restore the depopulated Palestinian community of Sarura, whose residents were expelled by the IOA between 1980 and 1998. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- Several Palestinians suffocated during clashes that erupted with Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Beit Ummar town, north of Hebron, in the

southern West Bank. The IOA attempted to break the locks of a local studio. They also stormed two homes and occupied their rooftops before firing concussion grenades and tear gas canisters at Palestinian residents. (WAFA 26 May 2017)

- A group of Israeli settlers attacked a number of commercial shops owned by Palestinians in central Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank near Israel's illegal Kiryat Arba settlement. Israeli settlers threw rocks and garbage at commercial shops under the protection of Israeli occupation army (IOA). (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- A four-year-old Palestinian child was injured after being hit by an Israeli settler's vehicle near in Hebron city, near the illegal Israeli Kiryat Arba settlement in the southern occupied West Bank. The 4 year-old Ahmad Mithqal al-Jabari was hit by an Israeli settler's vehicle while playing in the al-Ras area of the city and sustained injuries and bruises on his head. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the town of Beit Ummar in the southern occupied West Bank of Hebron and detained 25-year-old Alaa Issa Safi al-Salibi and 24-year-old Muhammad Ali Ayyad Awwad in their homes. The IOA also searched the homes of Omar Izriq Abu Ayyash, Hussein Mustafa Abu Maria, and Nasser Abd al-Hamis Abu Maria during the raid. (Maannews 28 May 2017)
- A young Palestinian man was detained at the Israeli military checkpoint near the Ibrahimi mosque in Hebron's Old City. The detainee was identified as Izz al-Din Abu Rabiaa from al-Fawwar refugee camp in the Hebron Governorate. (Maannews 30 May 2017)
- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained an "injured" young Palestinian man, Abdullah Muheisin, from al-Arrub refugee camp. (Maannews 30 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Fahd Abu Sbeih from Hebron city. (Maannews 30 May 2017)
- Less than two weeks after Palestinian, Israeli, and international activists set up the Sumud Freedom Camp in the historic Palestinian village of Sarura in the Hebron Hills in the southern occupied West Bank, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the camp, confiscated equipment, vandalized banners and destroyed it for the third time since its establishment, and arrested three Palestinians, identified as Muhammad Aamar, who along with his family, returned to Sarura -- from where they

were forcibly expelled in 1997 -- alongside hundreds of solidarity activists, on May 19, to establish the camp. Aamar, Sami Huraini, and another Palestinian who remained unidentified. The contents of the tents, which included mattresses, blankets, food, water, generator cables, and other supplies "used to sustain life in the hot desert village," were also confiscated and destroyed. (Maannews 30 May 2017)

• Israeli border police detained a 17-year-old Palestinian girl at a checkpoint near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The Girl is from the Hebron-area village of Taffuh. (Maannews 31 May 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Hebron Governorate during the month of June 2017

- Israeli High Court approved on the demolition of a Palestinian house in Beit 'Amra village, south of Hebron city. The targeted house owned by Id'iss family. (Maannews 1 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities issued the military order No. T/3/16 to confiscate 8.855 dunums of Palestinian land in Beit Ummer town, north of Hebron city, to construct new road interchange, near Gush Etzion junction. (LRC 2 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers living in Qiryat Arba settlement hurled stones at Palestinian houses in Jaber neighborhood in Hebron city. As a result, Muaz Ar-Rajabi (18 years) was injured. (Pal Info 3 June 2017)
- Soldiers gather children in Hebron neighborhood, photograph them and release them. On Tuesday, 24 May 2017, at around 7:30 P.M., several dozen soldiers came to the Jaber neighborhood in Hebron. The neighborhood lies along the road settlers call "Worshipers' Route" as they use it to reach the Tomb of the Patriarchs from the settlement of Kiryat Arba. This area has known many confrontations between settlers and army forces, on one hand, and Palestinian residents, on the other. Testimonies given to B'Tselem and footage filmed by B'Tselem volunteer Suzan Zraqo, who lives in the neighborhood, indicate that the soldiers passed through the neighborhood, gathering, seemingly at random, some twenty children and teens from the streets. The soldiers had them stand against a wall and began questioning them about an incident that occurred in the area earlier that day, in which stones were thrown at an Israeli bus. They then took a photo of every child and teen using a mobile phone and released them. B'Tselem obtained the details of fourteen of

these minors, seven of whom are under the age of twelve – the cutoff age for criminal liability. (<u>B'Tselem</u> 3 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in Palestinian neighborhoods in Deir Samit village in Hebron governorate. (Safa 4 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a water well and razed Palestinian land and uprooted trees in Khallit Mana' area in Dura town in Hebron Governorate. The targeted land and water well are owned by Salah Ad-Diyn Abdalla Amro. (LRC 4 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected military checkpoints at the northern entrance of Hebron city, and at the main entrance of Sair town in Hebron governorate. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Raya 4 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked a non-violent protest at the northern entrance of Hebron city. The IOA assaulted and injured the participants; one of them was identified as: Mohammad Abed Ar-Rahman Al Jibrini (38 years). (Al-Quds 5 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and toured in several areas and neighborhoods in Beit 'Awa town, west of Hebron city. (Orient FM 5 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in the old city of Hebron and chanted anti-Palestinian slogans,. (NBPRS 5 June 2017)
- Israeli Civil Administration handed out military orders to halt construction of two Palestinian buildings in Dhahir Al Barahish and Khallit Al Kutla areas in Beit Ummer town, north of Hebron city. The targeted houses are owned by: Mahmoud Khadir Mugbil (owned a 280 square meters three-floors house) and Ibrahim Khader Ridan Sabarnah (owned a 220 square meters two-floors house). (Pal Info 5 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and toured between Palestinian houses in Al Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron city.(Orient FM 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched dozens of Palestinian houses in Yatta town, south of Hebron city, and closed all the entrances and prevented Palestinians from entering or leaving the town.
 During the operation, the IOA arrested three Palestinians; identified as: Ibrahim Hamad Zein, Mohammad Ibrahim Zein and Mohammad Ibrahim

Hamad Khamamrah (22 years). (Wafa & Wattan & Maannews 9 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched tens of Palestinian houses in Sair town, north of Hebron city, and fired stun grenades at Palestinian houses. (Wafa 10 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) still imposing blockade on Yatta town, south of Hebron city, where the IOA closed all the entrances of the town with cement blocks and earth mounds. (ARN 10 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched tens of Palestinian houses and a health center in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. Two of the targeted houses are owned by: Ra'fat Al 'adra, Ay'iesh Musa Zein. During the operation, the IOA arrested Mahmoud Jamal Makhamrah (27 years). (Wafa 11 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched a number of Palestinian houses in Bani Na'im village, east of Hebron city. Two of the targeted houses are owned by: Yahya Ali Musa Manasrah and Zaiyed Abdalla Hamad Abu Isninah. (Wafa 11 June 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a two-floor Palestinian house in Beit 'Amra village, south of Hebron city. The targeted house is inhabited by 10 family members, and owned by the family of the Palestinian pensioner in the Israeli Jail; Murad Bader 'Ad'ies. (Wafa & Maannews 11 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) threatened the residents of Beit Einun village, north of Hebron city, to close all the entrances of the village. (Maannews 12 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities handed out military orders to demolish two Palestinian houses in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The targeted houses are owned by the families of two Palestinian prisoners in the Israeli Jails; Mohammad Ahmed Musa Makhamrah and Khalid Mohammad Musa Makhamrah. (Wattan & Orient FM 12 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) still imposing blockade on Yatta town, south of Hebron city, where the IOA closed with earth mounds all the entrances of the town, and prevented Palestinians from entering or leaving it. The IOA also, invaded and searched tens of Palestinian houses, and questioned the residents. (NBPRS 12 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched a number of Palestinian houses in Bani Naim village, east of Hebron city. (Safa 13 June 2017)

- Israeli settlers carried out a Cycling Race the Israeli bypass road No. 60, at the northern part of Hebron city, where the race started from Beit Hajja settlement toward Kfar Etzion settlement. As a result, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed all the entrances of Bani Naim, Samir and Shuyyukh villages, north of Hebron city. (Maannews 13 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed with earth mounds all the entrances of Yatta town, south of Hebron city, and prevented Palestinians from entering or leaving the town. During the operation, the IOA invaded and searched tens of Palestinian houses. Three of the targeted houses are owned by: Mohammad Khalid Issa Jabour, Mazen Yousif Jabour and Ali Ismail Aqil. (Wafa 13 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a fence (length= 250 meters) surrounded a Palestinian land in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The targeted fence is owned by Mohammad Khalil Nu'man. (Safa 14 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a water well and an animal shed in Al Karmel area, east of Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The targeted structures are owned by: Odeh Abu Az-Zeit and Mahmoud Khalil Nu'man. (NBPRS 14 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out a military order to demolish a water well in Ar-Rifa'iyya area, east of Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The targeted well is owned by Mohammad Salamah Rabi'i. (NBPRS 14 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched a number of Palestinian houses in Yatta town, south of Hebron city, and questioned the residents. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas and stun grenades, and rubber bullets, causing dozens of suffocation cases and the injury of 12 years old Palestinian. During the operation, the IOA arrested three Palestinians; identified as: Mohammad Mahmoud Abu 'Aram, Abed Ar-Rahim Mohammad Mahmoud and Abed Al Aziz Adel Al Yamani. (Al-Quds & PNN & Maannews 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities handed out military orders to halt the construction of two Palestinian houses in Beit Rush Al Fuqa village, west of Hebron city. The targeted houses are owned by: Omar Haribi Kashour (owned a two-storey under construction house) and Adel Mohammad Taha Hribat. (Al-Quds 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out military orders to demolish a Palestinian house in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The targeted house

is owned by the family of the Palestinian prisoner in the Israeli Jail; Khalid Makhamrah. Noted that the IOA informed the residents, that their house will demolish on the 20th of June 2017. (PNN 15 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a Palestinian house in Yatta town, south of Hebron city, and questioned the residents. The targeted house is owned by the family of the Palestinian prisoner in the Israeli Jail; Khalid Makhamrah. (Al-Quds 16 June 2017)
- The Israeli Civil Administration submitted a building scheme in Al Quds Daily Newspaper for Public Review¹. The Regional Plan No. (508/1/1), Mandate scheme RJ/S/ירשי and 508, parts of basin number 2 in Khirbet At-Ta'ale area in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The plan change the status of land in Ma'on settlement from agricultural and open areas to public and commercial buildings, road networks, and open area. (Al-Quds 16 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a Palestinian house in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The targeted house is owned by the family of the Palestinian prisoner in the Israeli Jail; Khalid Makhamrah. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas grenades and rubber bullets, causing tens of suffocation cases. During the operation, the IOA arrested Nabil Waheed Mahmoud Al Jundi (21 years). (PNN & RB2000 17 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched tens of Palestinian houses in Yatta town, south of Hebron city, questioned the residents and checked ID cards. Four of the targeted houses are owned by: the family of the Palestinian martyr Amjad Hatim Al Jundi, Abed Al Karem Al Jundi, Hamza Yaish Zein, and Munjed Al 'Amour. (Wattan 18 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched four Palestinian houses in Beit 'Amra village, south of Hebron city. The targeted houses are owned by: the family of the Palestinian prisoner in the Israeli Jail; Murad Bader Id'ies, Kamal Id'ies, Kamel Id'ies and Rashad Id'ies. (Wattan 18 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched two Palestinian houses in Hebron city. The targeted houses are owned by: Abieda and Salah Daoud Ar-Rajabo. (Wattan 18 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched tens of Palestinian houses in Yatta town, south of Hebron city, and questioned the residents.

¹ It is the last step before approving the building scheme, after which, building permits and tenders may be issued

Two of the targeted houses are owned: the family of the Palestinian prisoner; Mohammad Ahmed Makhamrah, and Ahmed Musa Al Makhamrah. (NBPRS 19 June 2017)

- 'Arief Sharif Jaradan (21 years) died of wounds he sustained during an Israeli military operation in Sair town, north of Hebron city, on the 4th of May 2017. (Maannews 19 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in the market area in the old city of Hebron. (NBPRS 19 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished two resident barracks and three animal sheds in Wadi Ijhesh area, south of Susiya village, east of Yatta town in Hebron governorate. The targeted structures are owned by Khalil Salamah An-Nawa'ja and his son Hisham. (Al Ayyam & Al-Quds 19 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented the residents of Al Karmil village, east of Yatta town, south of Hebron city form praying in Abu Hrirah mosque in the village. (Safa 20 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched a Palestinian house in Beit 'Amra village, south of Hebron city, and questioned the residents. The targeted house is owned by the family of the Palestinian martyr: Iyad 'Ides. (RB2000 20 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched dozens of Palestinian houses in Al Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron city. (Safa 22 June 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in several neighborhoods in Hebron city. (Wafa 22 June 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in several neighborhoods in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. (Wafa 22 June 2017)
- Israeli Civil Administration and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Al Baq'a area, east of Hebron city, and seized a water network and destroyed 10 dunums of land planted with vegetables. The targeted land is owned by Jaber and Ar-Rajabi families. (Wafa 23 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The IOA fired rubber bullets and teargas grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases and the injury of a Palestinian. During the clashes, the IOA invaded and searched two houses owned by: Khalid Makhamrah and Mohammad Issa Awad. (Safa 24 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shoot and killed Majd Al Khadour (19 years) from Bani Na'im village, east of Hebron city, while she was driving

her car at the entrance of Qiryat Arba settlement, at the eastern part of Hebron City. (Orient FM 24 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) started the construction of a section of the segregation wall at the western part of Al Burj village, southwest of Hebron governorate. (Orient FM & NBPRS 24 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed with cement blocks the entrances of Bani Naim village, east of Hebron city. (Wattan 25 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a Palestinian house in Yatta town, south of Hebron city, and detained the residents. The targeted house is owned by Ziyad 'Aqab An Nawa'ja (40 years). As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas and stun grenade at Palestinians. (Safa 26 June 2017)
- Israel resumes construction of Separation Wall south of Hebron. Israel resumed the construction of the Separation Wall southwest of Hebron to replace the barbed wire fence that was erected a few years ago. Witnesses told *Quds Press* that the Israeli Occupation Authorities started work on closing the wall in the areas adjacent to the southern Hebron village of Al-Burg with seven-meter high concrete columns. Work has started in the areas which had not been previously closed with a barbed wire fence. (RB2000 & Middle East Monitor 26 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ash- Shuyyukh village, north of Hebron city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades and rubber bullets at Palestinians, causing tens of suffocation cases. (RB2000 28 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Ras Al 'Aroud area in Sair town, north of Hebron city. The IOA fired teargas grenades and live bullets, causing tens of suffocation cases and the injury of a Palestinian. (RB2000 28 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched Ras Al Joura, Ein Sarah, Ar Ramah, Al Kasarah and Jabal Johar areas in Hebron city. The IOA stopped and questioned Palestinians and checked their ID cards. (RB2000 28 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shoot and killed Mohammad At-Tarirah (17 years) from Bani Naim village in Hebron governorate, while he was near Kharsine settlement, east of Hebron city. (Safa & Maannews 30 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched a number of Palestinian houses in Bani Na'im village, east of Hebron city, and imposed

blockade on the village and closed the main entrance. One of the targeted houses is owned by the family of the Palestinian martyr; Mohammad At Tarirah, where the IOA arrested his father. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA. (Wattan & Sama News & Maannews 30 June 2017)

• Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demonstrated at the entrance of Qiryat Arba settlement, east of Hebron city, closed the road and hurled stones at Palestinian vehicles. (Ramallah city 30 June 2017)

Qalqilyia Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Qalqilyia Governorate during the month of April 2017

- Clashes burst out in Qalqilya's eastern town of Jayyus moments after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the area and attacked the Palestinian anti-occupation youth with randomly-unleashed spates of teargas canisters. A military checkpoint was further pitched by the Israeli forces at the main entrance to Azzoun town, where Palestinian vehicles and civilians had been made to endure intensive searches. The assault culminated in the abduction of youngster Othman Redwan from Azzoun at predawn. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- A Palestinian man was detained by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) near a military post near the illegal Israeli settlement of Zuffin in the Qalqiliya Governorate.(Maannews 2 April 2017)
- Israeli authorities are advancing plans to expand an illegal settlement west of Salfit in the central occupied West Bank, to be built on tens of dunums of private Palestinian land. The Supreme Council for Planning and Building at the Israeli Civil Administration has put forward a new settlement scheme to expand a college in the illegal Israeli settlement of Elkana, to be constructed on the lands of the Palestinian village of Masha. Israeli bulldozers have recently leveled agricultural land in Masha for new settlement units in Elkana and the neighboring settlement of Shaare Tiqwa, noting that Israeli authorities did not notify landowners beforehand. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians were injured by rubber-coated steel bullets, while seven others suffered from severe tear gas inhalation as Israeli forces suppressed

a weekly march in the village of Kafr Qaddum, located in the eastern Qalqilyia Governorate in the northern occupied West Bank. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) deployed heavily in the village, firing tear gas canisters and rubber-coated steel bullets at protesters. (Maannews 7 April 2017)

- In the village of Kafr Qaddum in the northern Governorate of Qalqilyia, Israeli forces injured three Palestinian "children" with rubber-coated steel bullets. A large number of Israeli soldiers, escorted by Israeli military vehicles, raided the village and fired large amounts of tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets into the crowd of protesters, causing the injury of three Palestinian "children." (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained at least two Palestinians in predawn raids in the occupied West Bank, both of whom were detained in the northern Governorate of Qalqiliya. One man was detained in the city of Qalqiliya, while one was detained in the village of Azzun, a few kilometers east of the city. Local sources identified the two as 25-year-old Muhtadi Dalal from Qalqiyia city and Arif Salima from Azzun village. (Maannews 16 April 2017)
- Ex-prisoner Aref Ahmed Salim was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from his home in Azzun village, east of Qalqilyah. The IOA further sealed off the main entrance to the town with a makeshift checkpoint and carried out abrupt combing operations across the area. (PALINFO 16 April 2016)
- The campaign culminated in the abduction of the Palestinian citizen Muhtada Dalal, the son of the martyr Ma'zouz Dalal, from his family home in Qalqilya. (PALINFO 16 April 2016)
- Another round of violent clashes rocked Qalqilya after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the city and carried out arbitrary combing operations. The Israeli army attacked the Palestinian antioccupation youth with randomly-unleashed spates of teargas canisters, resulting in several suffocation cases. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians in Beit Jala in the southern Bethlehem Governorate for allegedly throwing Molotov cocktails at a border guard patrol near Tunnels street, a road that leads from Beit Jala into occupied East Jerusalem, secured by an Israeli military checkpoint that restricts movement for Palestinians to those holding special permits. No injuries were reported. The two Palestinians were

from al-Duheisha refugee camp in south side of the Bethlehem Governorate. (Maannews 19 April 2017)

- In Qalqilyah, an Israeli military force stormed the city and Azzun town, kidnapped a citizen and brutalized others. The detained citizen is a university student called Saji Abu Adaba. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- In the village of Kafr Qaddum in the northern occupied West Bank governorate of Qalqilyia, eight Palestinians and an Israeli activist were injured during their weekly march. A journalist, identified as Anal al-Jadaa, a reporter for Palestine TV, was among those injured during the march. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the march that was held in solidarity with Palestinian prisoners on the ongoing mass hunger strike. The IOA shot rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas at protesters. Clashes erupted after the IOA raided homes in the village and used them as military posts to open fire at youths. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) closed the northern entrance to Azzun village in Qalqilyia Governorate and blocked the Azzun-Jayyous road before spreading across nearby areas and embarking on brutalizing local residents. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)
- In Qalqilyia Governorate, a Palestinian was arrested in Azzun village for allegedly founding a fishing weapon in his car after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stopped and searched his vehicle. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed neighborhoods in Qalqilyah city and fired volleys of tear gas and stun grenades at Palestinian homes, with no reason. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The 20-year-old Hudheifa Khouly, enrolled at An-Najah Engineering University, was kidnapped from his family home in Imateen, in Qalqilyah Governorate. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation soldiers kidnapped 13-year-old Alaa Ubaid and Ali Amer, 24, from Qalqilya Governorate. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Two Palestinians were detained in the village of Immatin in the Qalqilyia Governorate. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In Qalqilyia, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Alaa Said Obeid, 15, and Ali Muhammad Amer, 25, after raiding and searching their family homes in the village of Kafr Qaddum. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In southern Qalqilyia city, located in the northern West Bank, clashes broke out near an Israeli military checkpoint. Two Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation near the checkpoint. (Maannews 28 April 2017)

- Clashes broke out between Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and local Palestinians in the Qalqilyia-area village of Kafr Qaddum. Two Palestinians were injured in the village with rubber-coated bullets shot by the IOA. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) intensively deployed in the vicinity of Azzun village in Qalqilyia Governorate. Eight Israeli military vehicles were stationed in the olive fields between the villages of Azzun and Izbet al-Tabib, and ambushes were set up at dawn hours. The IOA also erected a military checkpoint at the western entrance of Azzun and interrogated a number of citizens who were passing in the area. (PALINFO 29 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two young men, from Azzun refugee camp in Qalqilyah, at a makeshift checkpoint. The IOA set up a roadblock at the northern entrance to Azzun town and rounded up Muaad Shabaita, 22, and Asem Abu Haneyya, 38. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Qalqilyia Governorate during the month of May 2017

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Murouj area north of Qalqilyia city, raided a number of homes, searched them and confiscated records of Surveillance cameras. (WAFA 2 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) carried out a military raid in al-Murooj area to the north of Qalqilia for the second day to search for Palestinians who allegedly opened fire at Israeli soldiers. The IOA stormed al-Mrooj area in the early morning hours, provoking residents and leading to clashes. At least four Palestinians suffocated after inhaling tear gas fired by the IOA. (WAFA 3 May 2017)
- In Qalqilyia city, located in the northern West Bank, clashes erupted as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the al-Murouj area for the second day in a row, allegedly in search of Palestinians from the area who had previously opened fire at Israeli soldiers. At least four Palestinians suffocated after inhaling tear gas fired by the forces. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) escorted by heavy machinery raided Azzun village east of Qalqilyia city, and raided a lethal workshop owned by Muhammad Sofian Adwan and confiscated equipment. The IOA also

raided a barbershop owned by Ayoub AUdwan located next to the lethal shop. The operation also included a shop for selling used car parts belonging to Bakr Abu Haniya. The IOA handed Mr. Haniya two notices: the first to review the Israeli occupation, and the second to close the shop and hand over his assets. (WAFA 4 May 2017)

- Clashes broke out in the Governorate of Qalqiliya during a weekly march in the village of Kafr Qaddum. A 16-year-old Palestinian, identified as Subhi Obeid, was injured after being struck with a tear gas canister in his head, while an unidentified youth was injured with a steel bullet in his foot. A Palestinian journalist and cameraman Nidal Eshtiya were also wounded when a tear gas canister struck him in the back. Meanwhile, six Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- Clashes flared up in Azzun village east of Qalqilyia city, where the IOA attacked Palestinian anti-occupation youth with randomly-unleashed spates of teargas canisters and sound bombs. Several Palestinian protesters sustained breathing disorders in the clashes. (PALINFO 5 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Qalqilya city and arrested a Palestinian youth. The youth was taken to an unknown destination. The IOA also erected two military checkpoints and were deployed in a number of neighborhoods in the city for several hours. (PALINFO 8 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Mus'ab Ma'zouz Dalal, 22 during raid to Qalqilyia city. (WAFA 8 May 2017)
- In the Governorate of Qalqiliya, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Omar Jihad Salim, Jihad Subhi Khreisha, and Ahmad Adel in the village of Jayyus. (Maannews 9 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Jayyus village east of Qalqilyia city and arrested three Palestinians, identified as Jihad Subhi Khreisha, Omar Jihad Saleem and Ahmad Adel Shamasnah. (WAFA 9 May 2017)
- In Kafr Qaddum village east of Qalqilyia city, Israeli border police suppressed the village's weekly march by firing tear gas canisters and rubber-coated bullets at demonstrators, causing tens of Palestinians to suffer from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 12 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians in the city of Qalqiliya in the northwest of the West Bank. (Maannews 14 May 2017)

- In the Qalqiliya Governorate, the Israeli occupation army detained two Palestinians: one from the village of Azzun, and one from the Kafr Hareth village. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation police have released scores of traffic fines, up to NIS 1,000 against Palestinian vehicles driving along the Nablus-Qalqiliya road. The Police stopped the vehicles without any justification, and passengers were asked to get off their cars. Drivers of public vehicles were forced to stop their cars and not move to avoid the issuance of traffic fines against their cars which led to obstruction of Traffic. (WAFA 17 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained one Palestinian in the village of Azzun in the Qalqiliya Governorate. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) distributed leaflets threatening the Palestinian inhabitants of Azzun village, east of Qalqilyah city, north of the occupied West Bank. Israeli soldiers scattered around in the village's streets papers describing the town as an area for the launch of attacks that threaten Israel's security. The army's statement also warned the residents of Azzun that it would continue to take measures against them as long as such attacks continued. (PALINFO 18 May 2017)
- In the northern West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliya, a Palestinian was injured with a rubber-coated steel bullet and two others suffered from tear gas inhalation after a march, launched in solidarity with a mass hunger strike in Israeli prisons, erupted into clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the eastern entrance of Qalqiliya city. (MAANNEWS 18 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Qais Abdel Rahman Ali, 15, FROM Kafr Qaddum village east of Qalqilyia city, after raiding his parents' house and searching it. (WAFA 18 May 2017)
- In the Governorate of Qalqiliya, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a march in the village of Kafr Qaddum held in solidarity with the hunger strikers, injuring several Palestinians with rubber-coated bullets, including two children. The march was expected to be launched following Friday prayers. However, the IOA raided the village and deployed themselves around Omar al-Khatab mosque while residents were performing prayers in an attempt to block the march from starting. Following prayers, clashes erupted with the IOA, who fired tear gas, sound bombs, and rubber bullets at Palestinians, causing injuries to nine Palestinians, and two "children," and damaging five cars owned by residents of the village. (Maannews 19 May 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian citizen from Qalqilyia city while he was in Jerusalem city near the Damascus gate and took him to unknown destination. The arrestee was identified as Abdullah Adwan. (WAFA 19 May 2017)
- Two Palestinian youths were injured by rubber bullets and many others choked on tear gas in Azzun village, east of Qalqilya city, after Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed its main entrance. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- A number of Palestinians were injured during clashes that erupted with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at a checkpoint in southern Qalqiliya city in the northern West Bank. Two Palestinians were injured with rubbercoated bullets, two suffered from tear gas inhalation, while another Palestinian suffered from injuries after falling on the ground and hitting his head during clashes. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- In the village of Kafr Qaddum east of Qalqilyia city, several Palestinians were injured when Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the village's weekly march. The IOA attacked a march that was launched in solidarity with the hunger strikers and with the participation of hundreds of local Palestinians, and fired tear gas canisters and rubber-coated bullets at the demonstrators, causing an injury of a Palestinian during the clashes, while tens of others suffered from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- Three Palestinians were injured with rubber-coated steel bullets, one sustained burns after being hit by a tear gas canister, and others suffered from tear gas inhalation during clashes that erupted near an Israeli military checkpoint at the southern entrance of Qalqilyah city in the northern occupied West Bank. (Maannews 29 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Azzun village, east of Qalqilya, at the crack of dawn and kidnapped two more Palestinian youngsters, identified as Mohamed Emad and Udai Salim. The IOA also sealed off the northern entrance to Azzun and wreaked havoc on civilian homes. The campaign culminated in the abduction of the Palestinian ex-prisoner Fahd Sbeih from his family home in the southern occupied West Bank province of Hebron. (PALINFO 29 May 2017)
- In Azzun village east of Qalqiliya in the northern West Bank, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Uday Saqir Salim and Muhammad Imad Salim. (Maannews 30 May 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Qalqilyia Governorate during the month of June 2017

- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Qalqiliyah city. The IOA fired teargas grenades and rubber bullets, causing the injury of two Palestinians. (Wafa 1 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Azzun village, east of Qalqiliyah city, and fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinian houses. The IOA also, closed all the village' entrances. During the operation, the IOA arrested a Palestinian. (Wafa 3 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly non-violent protest against the Segregation wall and Settlements in Kafr Qaddum village, east of Qalqiliyah city. The IOA fired live bullets, and teargas and stun grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases and the injury of two Palestinians, identified as: 'Asf Hikmat (19 years) and his brother Omran (20 years). (Al-Quds 3 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly non-violent protest against the Segregation wall and Settlements in Kafr Qaddum village, east of Qalqiliyah city. The IOA fired teargas grenades, rubber bullets and wastewater at Palestinians and their houses, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Wafa 10 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) after the IOA stormed Qalqilyah city, and fired illumination grenades at 100 dunums of Palestinian agricultural lands, causing the torch of 50 olive trees. The IOA fired teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses causing tens of suffocation cases. (Safa & Raya 13 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Jayyus village, north of Qalqiliyah city. (Safa 14 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly non-violent protest against the Segregation wall and settlements in Kafr Qaddum village, east of Qalqiliyah city. The IOA fired teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses, causing a number of suffocation cases. During the operation, the IOA destroyed a water tank owned by Nasser Rushdi. (Maannews 17 June 2017)
- Israeli High Court allowed the demolition of a Palestinian house in Hajja village, east of Qalqiliyah city on the 20th of June 2017. The targeted house is owned by the family of the Palestinian martyr; Bashar Masalha, (Wattan 17 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Azzun village, east of Qalqiliyah city, where an Israeli jeep ran over Hamza Abdalla 'Awisat. During the operation, the IOA arrested three Palestinians while they were in the village. The arrestees were identified as: Ayed Huseen Odeh (22 years), Muheb Othman Odeh (19 years) and Mohammad Abdalla 'Awisat. (Wattan 18 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a Palestinian house in Hajja village, east of Qalqiliyah city. The targeted house is owned by the family of the Palestinian martyr Bashar Masalha. (NBPRS 21 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly non-violent protest against the Segregation Wall and Settlements in Kafr Qaddum village, east of Qalqiliyah city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at participants. (Orient FM 24 June 2017)

<u>Tubas Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)</u>

The Israeli Violations in Tubas Governorate during the month of April 2017

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) forced dozens of residents of Ras al-Ahmar village in Jordan Valley to vacate their houses for military drills. Ten Palestinian families living in the village were made to take their flocks and leave the area until the training was over. The community, which lives in the Jordan Valley some four kilometers east of the Palestinian town of Tammun, is located near a number of Israeli military camps. (PALINFO 3 April 2017)
- Two Israelis killed a sheep and wounded a goat as they threw stones at a flock belonging to a Palestinian family in the northern Jordan Valley A third sheep was wounded and fled and has not yet returned. Two members of the Iyoub family were with the grazing flock at 3 P.M. some two kilometers from their residence at the Tel al-Hima camp. Two Israelis arrived on the scene, one of whom was riding a horse, wearing black and had his face covered. The masked Israeli threw rocks at the flock from horseback. The Palestinians were verbally abused by the Israelis. (Haaretz 9 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stopped and searched a number of Palestinian vehicles in Tammun town east of Tubas, and subjected the drivers to tough investigation. The IOA stormed the town and were deployed in large numbers in its neighborhoods before questioning

several locals. A military checkpoint was erected at the entrance to the town where all passing-by vehicles were stopped and searched, the sources added. (PALINFO 15 April 2017)

- Two Palestinian young men suffered live bullet injuries during violent clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the main entrance to Tammun town, south of Tubas in the West Bank. Israeli soldiers set up a makeshift checkpoint at the main entrance to Tammun and opened fire at a gathering of local young men. Two young men identified as Hamad Ziyad and Ahmed Ra'ed suffered bullet injuries in their legs. Others also suffered rubber bullet and tear gas injuries during the events. No arrests were reported during the IOF campaign in the area. (PALINFO 15 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) seized an agricultural tractor from Palestinian ranches east of Tammun town, in the northern West Bank, in the third such violation over recent days. the Israeli soldiers continue to crack down on Palestinian farmers in al-Ras al-Ahmar area, east of Tammun town, in the northern Jordan Valley, as part of a larger scheme of ethnic cleansing aiming to force Palestinians out of the area. The seized tractor belongs to the Palestinian citizen Nasser Daraghma. (PALINFO 17 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers assaulted and attacked Palestinian shepherds in Ein As Sakut area in the northern Jordan valley. (WAFA 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided Khallet Makhoul in the northern Jordan Valleys and took photos of Palestinians' ID cards in the area. (WAFA 21 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a private vehicle belonging to citizen Husam Al Amer from Tayaseer village east of Tubas city. (WAFA 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) notified 12 Palestinian families from Ar Ras Al Ahmar community in the northern Jordan valley to leave their homes on Tuesday and Wednesday to carry out military drillings. (Wafa 23 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers were reportedly grazing their cows in Ayn al-Sakout area in the northern Jordan Valley and set up a tents in the area, while Palestinian shepherds are prevented from grazing their sheep. (WAFA 24 April 2017)
- An Israeli military camp set up in Umm Zuqa, in the northern Jordan Valley, supplied a nearby illegal settlement outpost with water. The settlement outpost which was supplied with water was built in early

January on Palestinian private land, after Israeli settlers brought a herd of 30 cows to the area. The Israeli authorities further installed several water tanks and solar panels in the outpost. Dozens of trees have also been planted. Last week, a pipe running from the largest water tank in the settlement outpost and whose edges were covered with mud was detected in the area in what was believed to be a sign of Israeli attempts to conceal field evidence of illegal settlement expansion. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) imposed new military restrictions at the main entrance to Tammun town in Tubas. The IOA violently stormed Tammun and erected a makeshift checkpoint at its main entrance after closing all the entrances leading to the town. All passing-by vehicles were stopped and searched at the checkpoint. Some of the drivers were provocatively insulted by the soldiers during the search operation. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) notified several Palestinian families in the northern Jordan Valley region of the occupied West Bank that they would have to evacuate their homes to make way for Israeli military training exercises. The IOA ordered more than 10 Palestinian families in the Ras al-Ahmar area northeast of Tubas to leave their homes starting at 5 p.m. Wednesday until 5 a.m. on Thursday. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers destroyed all the water pipelines providing services to the village of Bardala in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Tubas. Four Israeli bulldozers, escorted by Israeli military jeeps and officials from Israel's Civil Administration, destroyed all the main lines providing Bardala with water, leaving some 3,500 residents of the village without access to any water. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) claimed that residents in the village were stealing the water through the lines in order to use the water for agriculture and farming. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- In the northeastern West Bank Governorate of Tubas, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two "youths" identified as Faze Sawafta and Usama Sawafta from Tubas city. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Lutfi Bisharat from the village of Tammun in southern Tubas. (Maannews 27 April 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Tubas Governorate during the month of May 2017

- The Israeli occupation forces closed six water cisterns out of eight used by farmers to irrigate more than 3,000 dunums planted with vegetables and plastic houses in the village of Bardala in Tubas Governorate. The Israeli occupation Army, accompanied by the so-called Israeli "civil administration" and officers in charge of water from the Israeli Water Authority "Makrout" closed six water pumps that serve farmers in the village of Bardala. The water cuts from the village of Bardala and the northern Jordan Valley comes after the Israeli occupation authorities threatened farmers to close the water pumps under the allegations of theft. (SAFA 1 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers continue to graze their sheep in Ein As Sakut area in the northern valleys while continue to prevent Palestinians from grazing their sheep in the same area. (WAFA 2 May 2017)
- Two weeks after the Israeli occupation army (IOA) had destroyed the water system supplying the northern Jordan Valley village of Bardala with drinking and irrigation water, the IOA went back to the village to destroy what was left. During the army operation in the village, residents clashed with the IOA who responded by firing tear gas and rubber-coated metal bullets causing at least two injuries. The IOA also arrested 'Aziz Sawafta and Mahmoud Sawafta from the village. (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) seized an agricultural tractor and a water tank owned by citizen Ashraf Abu Dahaila in al-Buqai'a area, south of Tubas, as he was on his way to bring water for his livestock. The IOA also poured the water on the ground and prevented the citizen from watering his sheep. (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians in Bardala village, in the northern Jordan Valley. The two were identified as Aziz Sawafta and Mahmoud Sawafta, both of whom were arrested shortly after the IOA stormed Bardala village allegedly in the hunt for unlicensed water networks. (PALINFO 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians, Abdel Hamid Salem and Ahmad Daraghmeh while working in their land in Sahel Al Qa'oun (Al Qa'oun Valley) east of Tubas city under the pretext that they were working in an area classified by Israel as "Closed Militray Area". (WAFA 4 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) imposed fines amounting to 7876 shekels, each of which, amounts to NIS 1969, on owners of four

agricultural tractors in Kherbit Ibziq east Tubas city in exchange for the return of their tractors that were seized by the IOA at earlier time. (WAFA 4 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities announced the confiscation of thousands of Palestinian agricultural dunums in the northern Jordan Valley east of the West Bank. The IOA raided the Jordan Valley area and handed over administrative orders that stipulated the confiscation of the lands over which random settlement outposts were established and declared them as Israeli military zones. The Israeli civil administration teams also confiscated Palestinian agricultural machinery in al-Bkeia area in the northern Jordan Valley and transferred them to Israeli military camps. (PALINFO 10 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian in al-Fara'a refugee camp in the northeastern Tubas Governorate. (Maannews 14 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers are in the process of setting up a new settlement outpost in Khirbet al-Sweidah in the northern Jordan Valley after they brought construction material to set up mobile homes, dug a pool and put up solar panels on the site. Khirbet al-Sweidah is one of the Jordan Valley villages where Palestinians used to reside. However; Israel forced them out of the area to make place for Israeli settlers, who have begun to seize lands and build settlement outposts. (PALINFO 16 May 2017)
- The Israeli "planning and Building" department at the Israeli Civil Administration, accompanied by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) broke into Khirbat al-Deir in the northern Jordan Valley and seized two water pumps. The IOA dismantled a fence on a land belonging to a citizen east of Tayasir, even though his case is pending in the Israeli Supreme Court. The IOA also destroyed a water hole in the village of Bardala, under the pretext of unlicensed building. (WAFA 16 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Tayasir east of the city of Tubas in the Jordan Valley, searched several houses and photographed the identities of some citizens, of whom, citizen Mohammed Subeih was known. The Israeli practice caused a state of fear among citizens. (WAFA 17 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the Palestinian village of Khirbet al-Dir, located in the Tubas Governorate of the northern occupied West Bank and seized two water pumps. The IOA stormed the village and seized two water pumps used for drinking water and for irrigation, under

the claim that the pipes were built without a permit. (Maannews 17 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Tayasir village IN Tubas Governorate and dismantled a fence surrounding a piece of land that belongs to a local resident, noting that the landowner had appealed the impending demolition of the fence to the Israeli Supreme Court, who had yet to rule on the case at the time of the demolition. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) destroyed a well in the Tubas-area Bardala village, in the northern Jordan Valley, under the pretext that it was built without a nearly impossible to obtain Israeli-issued construction permit. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Kherbit Ad Dir in the Jordan Valley and confiscated two water pumps in the area. (Al Quds 17 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) uprooted dozens of Palestinianowned olive saplings in Khirbet Ibziq hamlet, east of Tubas in the northern Jordan Valley. Employees from the Israeli nature authority escorted by Israeli soldiers stormed Khirbet Ibziq and uprooted more than 60 four-year-old small trees belonging to a local citizen named Ahmed Khalil. The soldiers helped the nature employees remove and seize poles and barriers that were placed around the trees to protect them. (PALINFO 17 May 2017)
- Violent clashes broke out between Palestinian young men and Israeli soldiers in Tubas city, north of the occupied West Bank, after the latter stormed the city. Clashes continued for several hours, where soldiers intensively fired tear gas at the young men, many of whom were treated for suffocation as a result of the tear gas attack.
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed at dawn Al Far'a refugee camp and Tamun town, both south of Tubas, and patrolled some of their streets. (PALINFO 18 May 2017)
- One Palestinian was injured during clashes between Palestinians and the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Atouf village in Tubas Governorate. The IOA fired teargas bombs at Palestinians who marched in support of Palestinian prisoners striking in the Israeli Jails. (WAFA 19 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) carried out, without pre-notification, military drillings near Palestinian dwellings in several areas in the Jordan Valley. (WAFA 21 May 2017)

 Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) carried out military drillings in Atuf village south of Tubas city. The IOA also set up a military checkpoint near the village council's building and occupied rooftops. (WAFA 26 May 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Tubas Governorate during the month of June 2017

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized a commercial vehicle in Al Hadidiya area in the northern of Jordan valley. The targeted vehicle is owned by Sanad Bani Odeh. (Wafa 8 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) carried out military trainings in an area located between Al 'Aqaba and Tayasir village, east of Tubas city. (NBPRS 9 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized a tractor and a Water tanker from Samra area, east of Tubas city. The targeted tractor and water tanker owned by Mohammad Abu 'Awad. (Wafa 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities handed out military orders to demolish two water pools in Al Maleh area, east of Tubas city. (Al-Quds 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out military orders to demolish two water pools in Umm Jamal area in the northern of Jordan valley. (NBPRS 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out a military order to demolish a Palestinian house in Al Frush area in the northern of Jordan valley. (NBPRS 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) carried out military trainings in Al Maleh, Al Farisiya and Um Jamal areas at the northern of Jordan valley. (RB2000 19 June 2017)
- The Israeli Civil Administration submitted a building scheme in Al Quds Daily Newspaper for Public Review². The Regional Plan No. (329), Mandate scheme S/15 and 328, plots no.18, parts of basin number 8 in Tubas governorate. The location of the plan, northwest of the Israeli settlement of Mehola, southeast of Bardala village, near the Jordan valley road No.90. The plan aims to change the status of land from agricultural to area for construction buildings. (Al-Quds 16 June 2017)

² It is the last step before approving the building scheme, after which, building permits and tenders may be issued

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out 2 halt construction orders and 10 demolition orders that targeted a number of residential tents and structures and animal sheds, in Ar-Ras Al Ahmar area in the northern or Jordan valley. (Pal Info & Wafa 27 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out a military order to stop the construction of a Palestinian house in Ar Ras Al Ahmar area in the northern of Jordan valley. The targeted house is owned by Raid Basharat. (Orient FM 29 June 2017)

Ramallah Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Ramallah Governorate during the month of April 2017

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on Palestinian lands in the southern Gaza Strip. The IOA deployed behind the border fence in eastern Rafah city opened fire at Palestinian agricultural lands in the area. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 1 April 2017)
- Ahmad Wael 'Affana was abducted by undercover soldiers, who broke into his home in the al-Masyoun neighborhood in Ramallah city. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) abducted Dia' Mohammad Ja'far, from the al-Am'ari refugee camp In Ramallah governorate, in central West Bank. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- In Ramallah governorate, in central West Bank, the soldiers abducted Ata Othman Orabi and Mohammad Jamal Nakhla, from the al-Jalazoun refugee camp. (IMEMC 3 April 2017)
- Israel's ministry of finance announced the success of its marketing plan for the building of 3,607 housing units in the new neighborhood of Modi'in-Maccabim-Re'ut settlement, west of Jerusalem. 70 percent of these planned units were sold at reduced prices to buyers who have no homes and whose names are already registered at the ministry of housing. The other units have been set aside for local buyers and will be sold at market prices. The plan is part of Israel's reduced-price housing program that is aimed at encouraging Jewish couples to live in settlements. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) issued demolition notices against houses of Palestinian prisoners in Ramallah and al-Bireh twin cities, under the pretext of building without permit. An Israeli military force raided prisoner Bajes Nakhla's house in Jalazone refugee camp, north of Ramallah, and handed his wife an order notifying the demolition of her 600-square-meter house. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed two demolition notices to the released prisoners Abbas Qara'an and Rami Ishtewi from al-Bireh city under the same pretext. Abbas Qara'an said in an interview with Quds Press agency that an Israeli force stormed his house in Jabal al-Tawil area and threatened to demolish it, claiming that part of his house is located in Area C which is under full Israeli controlled according to the Oslo accords. He added that the notice gives him a three-day time limit to object in court, noting that he received another demolition notice three years ago without the Israeli court issuing a final decision in this regard. Qara'an, a released prisoner who spent seven years in Israeli jails and three years in the Palestinian Authority's prisons, affirmed that the Israeli occupation uses building without a permit as an excuse to target the Palestinian prisoners. He said that the house of the released prisoner Rami Ishtewi, which is located next to his house, received a similar notice, noting that both houses are close to Psagot settlement which was illegally built on Palestinian lands east of al-Bireh. He pointed out that his house was licensed few years before the occupation of the West Bank in 1967 and that he obtained the necessary licenses to expand it in 2002. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the central occupied West Bank village of Silwad before dawn and detained Malik Hamid. The IOA also detained Ahmad Moussa Hamid, 52, and Moussa Ahmad Hamid, 17, Hamid's father and brother during the raid in Silwad. Two other residents -- Muhammad Omar Hamid, 23, and Mutasem Abd al-Majid Hammad -- were also detained. The IOA confiscated six vehicles, 40,000 shekels (\$10,970) as well as the work permits of an unspecified number of Hamid's relatives. The IOA also took measurements of Hamid's home, likely in preparation for a punitive demolition. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) extended the administrative detention of Sheikh Hassan Youssef for three months for the fifth consecutive time only one day before his scheduled release. MP Sheikh

Youssef, 62, was arrested on Oct. 20, 2015 after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed his house west of Ramallah. (PALINFO 10 April 2017)

- Israeli settlers uprooted 310 olive trees in the village of Mukhmas, southeast of East Jerusalem. Under the protection of the Israeli occupation army (IOA), settlers from Ma'ale Mikhmas settlement adjacent to the village uprooted and destroyed Palestinian-owned 310 olive trees near bypass Route 60, which connects settlements established on the village's lands with neighboring settlements. This is the second time Israeli settlers uprooted olive trees in Mukhmas. Two years ago, they uprooted 200 olive tree e s . (WAFA 10 April 2017)
- Palestinian teenager Jassem Muhammad Nakhla, who was shot by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) near the al-Jalazun refugee camp in the central occupied West Bank in March, succumbed to his wounds. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
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- During a raid into the central occupied West Bank city of al-Bireh in northeastern Ramallah, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained exiled Jerusalem lawmaker Ahmad Attun, as well as Hamas spokesperson Fayiz Abu Wardeh, after breaking into and searching their homes. Attun, is a member of the Palestinian Legislative Council, and was exiled from occupied East Jerusalem to the West Bank after the Israeli Interior Ministry had been threatening to deport Hamas-affiliated lawmakers -under the pretext of disloyalty to the Israeli state. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) wreaked havoc on civilian homes in Ramallah's eastern town of Silwad and expropriated three vehicles and cash, estimated at \$23,700, before they withdrew from the town. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)

- Two Palestinian students—Yahya Rabi' and Wa'd Fuqaha— enrolled at Birzeit University were kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) from Ramallah. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- During a weekly march in the village of Nilin in the central West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot Muhammad Abd al-Qadir Omera with live ammunition, causing him to sustain injuries, before detaining him and transferring him to an unknown location. (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- Meanwhile, Palestinians and international solidarity activists participated in the Bilin village's weekly march near Ramallah. The march was launched to commemorate slain Palestinian Bassem Abu Rahma, who was killed in April 2009 after Israeli forces shot a high velocity-tear gas canister at him during a similar march. Bilin's march set off from the center of the village following Friday prayers and headed towards Israel's separation wall, where protesters held picture of Abu Rahma and shouted national slogans calling for supporting Palestinians held in Israeli prisons. (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained citizen Waleed Sameh Ar Rimwai, a 30-year-old Palestinian from the village of al-Nabi Salih in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah for alleged knife possession. The IOA stopped the man's vehicle at an Israeli military checkpoint at the entrance of the village. The IOA claimed that after searching the man and his car, they found a knife in the man's coat, and subsequently detained him. (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- Four Palestinian families risk to go homeless in al-Bireh after the Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) threatened the demolition of their homes. The four demolition notifications, which were handed over by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) to the Palestinian Liaison, targeted Palestinian homes in Jabal al-Tawil, in al-Bireh. The IOA gave the families a three-day time-limit to appeal the demolitions. The targeted homes are located near the Israeli illegal settlement Pesagot built on Palestinian lands in the area. Palestinian citizen Fawaz Hamdan said his home was built 52 years ago after he obtained a construction permit from the Jordanian authorities, prior to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank. The IOA turned down his appeals under the pretext of Jewish Holidays despite the fact that the notifications were issued during the seven-day Jewish Passover. (PALINFO 14 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinian minors during clashes which erupted at the end of a march launched by Palestinian students near the Ofer detention center -- the only Israeli prison in the West Bank -- in the Ramallah Governorate. Israeli soldiers fired tear gas and rubber-coated bullets towards Palestinians, who threw rocks in the direction of soldiers. The IOA then raided the nearby village of Beituniya, chasing and assaulting protesters. The four detained Palestinians were identified as Ahmad Turki, 15, Hassan Ziyad, 14, Usama Arabi, 15, and Muhammad al-Sarafandi, 17. (Maannews 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinian young men in Nabi Saleh village, north of Ramallah. The IOA soldiers erected a military barrier close to the village and searched passing Palestinians. The three detainees were taken to an unknown destination amid a state of tension prevailing in the village. (PALINFO 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities sentenced the Palestinian MP Ahmed Atoun to a renewable four-month prison-term, with neither charge nor trial. MP Atoun was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from his family home in Ramallah on April 12. He has also been banned from Occupied Jerusalem, where he was born and raised, for over seven years. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- Israeli Prison Service (IPS) authorities raided Section 14 of Ofer prison in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, conducting searches that lasted several hours. The IPS raided the section and destroyed the personal belongings of Palestinian prisoners. The raid came as an estimated 1,500 Palestinian prisoners across Israeli prisons entered the third day of the "Freedom and Dignity" mass hunger strike. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- In Ramallah, Israeli occupation soldiers broke into and ransacked the house of martyr Anas Hammad in Silwad vilage and confiscated 450 shekels and 50 Jordanian dinars as well as a school bus which the martyr's father works on. 11 private vehicles were also seized during the IOA campaign in Silwad. The Israeli soldiers raided other homes in the village and kidnapped an ex-detainee called Mahmoud an-Najjar. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- Members of Israel's right-wing National Religious Party, typically known by its Hebrew name "Mafdal," held a barbecue in front Israel's Ofer prison where Palestinian prisoners have entered the fourth day of a mass hunger strike. The group, which dissolved as a formal political party in

2008, said they wanted to "celebrate the hunger strike," and to break the will of the Palestinian hunger strikers by cooking barbecue so that the smells would enter the prison cells. (Maannews 20 April 2017)

- Clashes erupted near Ofer prison west of Ramallah after dozens of Palestinians performed Friday prayers on lands of the Rafat village, which Ofer is built on, in solidarity with Palestinian prisoners. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired tear-gas bombs, stun grenades and rubbercoated steel bullets to suppress the march, injuring some. (Maannews 21 April 2017)
- Peace Now has learnt that presently a new outpost is being established. The outpost is located beyond the fence surrounding Adam settlement (aka Geva Binyamin), southeast from Ramallah and beyond the Separation Barrier. This is the first outpost that is being established since the Israeli government declared a new policy towards settlement construction. The policy stated that settlement construction would be limited to within the "built up area" or "the footprint" of a settlement and that creation of new illegal outposts would be prohibited. Needless to say is that by being constructed outside the fence of Adam, the new outpost is not only a new outpost, but also beyond the "built up area" of the settlement, regardless of the lack in a clear definition to what "built up area" means. The outpost is being built illegally, without approvals and permits. The outpost, built on public lands ("state lands"), is located within the lines of an "outline plan" (Plan No. 240/1). An outline plan, as opposed to a detailed plan, is a principal plan that is meant to set the guidelines for the detailed planning. This means that according to the outline plan, there cannot be any construction permit without the approval of another detailed plan. However, the location of the outpost was chosen carefully. By locating the outpost within territory of any existing outline plan it enables the responsibility for demolishing the structures upon the Binyamin municipal council, which is run by the settlers, rather than on the Civil Administration, the military body that is generally responsible for issuing and enforcing demolition orders in Area C. Binyamin Council is known for its support of outposts, <u>financially and</u> politically, and there are at least 18 illegal outposts within its jurisdiction. Currently the outpost includes 7 light structures, some that are still in the making. In order to reach the outpost, the settlers have erupted a road which connects to a locked gate in the fence of Adam settlement. Unlike

most outposts, the residents of this outposts are seemingly not the typical settler ideological advocates. The outpost residents have claimed to Peace Now that they are establishing the outpost for economic reasons. However, regardless for the reasoning behind the outpost residents, the political implication of the outpost are the same. The headline of the report in Haaretz (Hebrew) which dealt with this story, has created the impression as if there is a possibility of allowing Palestinians to live in the outpost. It seems that the flashy headline was due to a remark by one of the settlers. However, according to Peace Now's field visits and research, with quite certainty, there are no such indications that this is true. (PEACENOW 21 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured three young Palestinian men, one of them critically, and detained two others during clashes in the village of Kafr Malik in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah. One of the injured suffered from a critical chest wound as he was shot at close range. Israeli troops also detained two Palestinian youths. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Three Palestinians were slightly injured after being shot by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) with rubber-coated steel bullets during a small march in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, as demonstrations continued in solidarity with the hundreds of Palestinian prisoners on hunger strike in Israeli prison. Participants of the march attempted to reach the road that leads the illegal Beit El settlement, but the IOA prevented them by force and fired sound bombs and rubber-coated steel bullets, with three Palestinians sustaining minor gunshot injuries. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the main entrance to a cluster of villages northeast of Ramallah in central occupied West Bank for unknown reasons. The IOA closed the iron gate installed at the entrance to a road that leads to Bani Zeid, Nabi Saleh, Beit Rima, Kafr Ein, and Qarawat Bani Zeid, which is also a main commuter link from Ramallah to Salfit city a few kilometers further north. The IOA stationed at the gate were preventing all commuters from passing in either direction, while a large number of Israeli soldiers were deployed in the area around the gate. (Maannews 23 April 2017)

- Six Palestinians from al-Tamimi family were arrested in Nabi Salah village northwest of Ramallah. The six detainees were aged between 14 and 20 years. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) renewed the administrative detention of Sheikh Bajes Nakhla, who is currently held in solitary confinement, for three months. Sheikh Nakhla, from Jalazoun refugee camp to the north of Ramallah, spent more than 18 years in Israeli jails, mostly in administrative detention. His house was recently notified with demolition. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- At least 6 Palestinians were injured in clashes that erupted at Beit El barrier at the northern entrance of al-Bireh city near Ramallah. One Palestinian was injured by a live Toto bullet and five others were hit with rubber bullets after Israeli soldiers showered a group of protesters with bullets and tear gas grenades. Many of the protesters suffered breathing problems. The IOF also deployed water hoses at protesters who participated in a peaceful march in solidarity with Palestinian hunger striking prisoners in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- In the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, Israeli occupation troops detained Islam Nimr from al-Amari refugee camp, in addition to one unidentified Palestinian from the Umm al-Sharayit neighborhood south of Ramallah, and one in the village of Ein Arik. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers knocked down Palestinian 6 commercial structures and leveled Palestinian lands west of Ramallah province. Israeli army troops showed up at the scene all the way through the demolition process, which targeted 6 commercial barracks near the Ni'lin military checkpoint, west of Ramallah. The Israeli bulldozers further leveled Palestinian land lots used by the locals for parking cars on way to their workplaces in 1948 occupied territories (Green Line). The demolitions are frequently carried out in the area under the pretext that the targeted structures pose a threat to the nearby Israeli military watchtowers or settlement outposts. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- Evacuees of the illegal West Bank outpost of Amona have accused authorities of thwarting the construction of a new settlement for them. They claim they were promised a hilltop that was excluded from a recent military order expanding the jurisdiction of the Mateh Binyamin regional council, which includes the Jewish settlements and outposts in the southern part of the West Bank. The evacuees say they had expected Giva Heh, a hilltop next to the Geulat Tzion outpost, where they planned to

settle, to be included in the council's jurisdiction, paving the way to their move there. Instead, the order signed last week by Major General Roni Noma of the IDF Central Command includes another area that was initially proposed to the Amona settlers, who turned it down. That area, known as Giva Bet, was earmarked as a new neighborhood of the Shvut Rachel settlement. Currently a few settler families who don't abide by the decisions of the settler establishment live off and on in temporary dwellings at Geulat Tzion. Periodically, they are evacuated from there by the IDF's Civil Administration. Law enforcement sources confirmed the military order expanding the council does not include the hilltop where the Amona settlers wish to build their homes, and that it incorporates other hilltops in the Shiloh area. The location the Amona evacuees desire is east of there. The sources also say the areas placed under the Mateh Binyamin jurisdiction include agricultural lands, the hilltop where the Shvut Rachel neighborhood is planned, as well as an area for a school and wastewater treatment plant. To read full report, click here (Haaretz 26 April 2017)

- Israeli settlers opened fire on Palestinians taking part in a popular solidarity march in the central occupied West Bank city of al-Bireh. Dozens of Palestinians were marching through the streets of al-Bireh in support of the estimated 1,500 hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners who entered the 11th day of their strike on Thursday, when Israeli settlers from the nearby illegal Pesagot settlement -- built on the lands of al-Bireh -- opened fire at the protesters. No injuries were reported among the protesters. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Clashes erupted at the checkpoint, located next to the illegal Israeli settlement of Beit El, between Palestinian youths and Israeli Army (IOA) where the later opened live fire, rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas on the youth. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians, including an injured youth, on during clashes near the Ofer prison in western Ramallah. Clashes erupted between Palestinian youths and the IOA following a march in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners. The IOA fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas bombs. Five unidentified Palestinians, were assaulted by Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and taken into Ofer detention center. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Nine Palestinians were injured, including six with live fire and three with rubber-coated steel bullets, during clashes that erupted near the Beit El

military checkpoint at the northern entrance of al-Bireh city in the central occupied West Bank. one youth was injured with live fire in the stomach and foot, another was injured with two live bullets in the back and leg, while four others with injured with live fire in the legs. Three youths were injured with rubber-coated steel bullets, including one youth with an injury to the face. (Maannews 27 April 2017)

- Several Palestinian youth were injured while dozens others suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation during clashes across the Ramallah and al-Bireh Governorate. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- A march set off from the Nabi Saleh village in northwestern Ramallah in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinians. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened live fire and tear gas cannisters on the protesters, injuring three Palestinians. The IOA were firing the once-banned "tutu" ammunition on protesters, which explode once they come in contact with the body. One youth was injured in the head with a tear gas canister while two others were injured in the legs with tutu bullets. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Meanwhile, dozens of Palestinians suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation during clashes that erupted between Palestinian youths and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) near the Ofer prison in western Ramallah and at the northern entrance of Silwad in eastern Ramallah. Three Palestinians were injured with rubber-coated bullets. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In Silwad village in Ramallah Governorate, a Palestinian was injured with live fire in the leg, while tens of others suffered from tear gas inhalation, as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired live bullets, rubber bullets, sound bombs, and tear gas canisters after violent clashes broke out in the area. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the Sinjil village in northern Ramallah, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed all roads leading to the village and set up checkpoints at the main road adjacent to the village which connects the Nablus and Ramallah Governorates. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers blocked the main highway between the occupied West Bank cities of Ramallah and Nablus under Israeli police and military protection. Residents of the village of Sinjil in the Ramallah Governorate said that dozens of settlers, accompanied by large numbers of Israeli occupation army (IOA), blocked off the road near the entrance of the village. The IOA then stormed Sinjil and detained a number of young

men, also confiscating 12 undocumented vehicles. (Maannews 30 April 2017)

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- A 13 years old Palestinian child was shot in the foot by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) during clashes that erupted in the village of Deir NIdham northwest of Ramallah city. (WAFA 1 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a 13-year-old Palestinian boy during clashes in the village of Deir Nidham in the central occupied West. The 13-year-old, identified as Jihad Muhammad Tamimi, was shot in the foot with live ammunition. (Maannews 2 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired bullets, stun grenades, and tear gas at a Palestinian hospital in the central occupied West Bank city of Ramallah at dawn. The IOA fired live bullets and tear gas inside the Palestinian Medical Complex grounds for more than an hour early in the morning, causing many patients, including children, to suffer from tear gas inhalation. The assault caused panic and fear among children, women, and elderly patients at sections of the center. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation army (IOA) suppressed a peaceful march organized by Palestinian journalists on World Press Freedom Day in front of Ofer prison in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah. The IOA used tear gas to suppress protesters, and detained journalists Ashraf al-Nibali and Amin Alariya during the march, which also stood in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- n the village of Nabi Saleh in the central Governorate of Ramallah, eight Palestinians were injured during clashes with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during a solidarity march for the hunger strikers. Five of the injured were struck with live bullets and three were wounded by rubber-coated bullets fired by the IOA. The IOA also closed the main entrance of the village several days ago, which prevented ambulances from reaching the area to transfer the injured Palestinians to the hospital. They eventually had to be transferred to Salfit hospital with private cars on alternative

road routes, which has increased the time of travel for the residents. (Maannews 5 May 2017)

- In the village of Nilin, west of Ramallah city, the weekly march was held in solidarity with imprisoned hunger strikers. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the demonstration with tear gas, causing several protesters to suffer tear gas inhalation. The IOA attempted to detain Palestinian demonstrators, and succeeded in detaining an Israeli peace activist. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- In Bilin village west of Ramallah city, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained the head of the village's council Basil Mansour and his deputy Ahmad Abu Rahma, both of whom are activists in Bilin's popular resistance, during a weekly march in the village dedicated to supporting the prisoners. Palestinians in Bilin held their march while holding pictures of hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners and shouting slogans demanding the immediate release of all imprisoned Palestinians. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented group of Palestinians and solidarity activists from protesting the establishment of a new illegal settlement east of Ramallah. The IOA banned protesters from accessing the new settlement site which is located between al-Oja town in Jordan Valley and Kochav Hashahar settlement near Ramallah. The Israeli ban of entry order is effective for 24 hours. (PALINFO 5 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Al Mughayyer village east of Ramallah and closed the village's entrance with earthmounds and cement blocks. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA where the latter fired fired tear gas bombs to disperse Palestinians. (WAFA 5 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers assaulted Palestinian farmers in the village of Turmusayya in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, after the farmers arrived to protest the illegal construction of an Israeli settler road on privately owned Palestinian land despite an order from the Israeli Civil Administration to stop building the road. The road is being built on privately owned Palestinian land, some of which is cultivated, and thus the work will likely harm the agriculture of the Palestinian residents. (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities imposed an estimated 36,000 shekels (\$10,000) worth of fines upon Palestinian minors imprisoned in the Ofer prison, located in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, during "late April.," 62 Palestinian minors were detained and

taken to Ofer prison during April. Of the 62 detained, 23 were detained from their homes, 34 from the streets, two at checkpoints, two after being summoned for interrogation, and one in Israel for not having an entry permit. More than half of the detainees were assaulted during their detention, and that sentences have been issued against 16 of the minors, varying between a month and seven months in prison, while the remaining 46 are still awaiting trial. Maannews 8 May 2017)

- A Palestinian was injured during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in An Nabi Saleh village northwest of Ramallah city. The IOA also raided the houses of NAJI AND Bassam At Tamimi in the villages and messed with the contents. (WAFA 8 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three students of Birzeit University in the Ramallah Governorate -- hours before student council elections were scheduled to take place at 8 a.m. The three were identified as Ahmad al-Ayish, former head of student council Amr al-Rimawi, and Ahmad Faraj. (Maannews 10 May 2017)
- In the Ramallah Governorate, an unidentified Palestinian was detained in the village of Kafr Nima. (Maannews 10 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) injured at least 11 Palestinians during a solidarity march in Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank, as clashes erupted with the IOA near the illegal settlement of Beit El. The march set off from a solidarity tent erected at Yasser Arafat Square in central Ramallah city for the estimated 1,600 Palestinians currently on hunger strike in Israeli prisons. When protesters began to march toward the Beit El settlement, the IOA began shooting live bullets, rubber-coated steel bullets, and tear gas at demonstrators to prevent them from approaching the military checkpoint located near the settlement. Five Palestinians were injured by live bullets, five by rubber-coated steel bullets, and one was wounded with "tutu" ammunition. The IOA had released skunk spray on the protesters -- a putrid-smelling liquid Israel periodically uses against Palestinian protesters whose smell can linger for weeks at a time.(Maannews 11 May 2017)
- The Israeli government has renewed its intent to build a new settlement in the West Bank for the Jewish settlers who were evacuated earlier this year from an illegal outpost called Amona. The public Hebrew radio quoted an official source from the office of Israeli premier Benjamin Netanyahu as saying that the settlement would be established within four months after

receiving approvals from the competent authorities. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) killed a 23-year-old Palestinian in the village of Nabi Saleh in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah after clashes broke out during a march in the village in support of some 1,300 Palestinians on a mass hunger strike across Israeli prisons. In the Ramallah-area village of Nabi Saleh, Saba Abu Ubeid, a resident of the West Bank Governorate of Salfit, was killed after being hit in the chest with a live bullet shot by the IOA, after clashes erupted during the village's weekly march. (Maannews 12 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Palestinian writer and political scientist Ahmad Qatamish, who has spent several years in Israeli prisons, most recently a two-and-a-half-year stint under administrative detention. Qatamish, 66, was detained from his home in the city of al-Bireh near Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank, after Israeli soldiers thoroughly searched the house, damaging some of his possessions. He was then take to an unknown location. (Maannews 14 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the town of al-Tira, west of Ramallah, and detained one Palestinian. (Maannews 14 May 2017)
- A Palestinian man was injured by a rubber-coated steel bullet fired by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during clashes in the village of Nabi Saleh, west of Ramallah. soldiers attacked a march commemorating the 69th anniversary of the Palestinian catastrophe. the soldiers fired rubber bullets and tear gas at the protesters and hit a 43-year-old man in the foot. (WAFA 15 May 2017)
- Seven Palestinians were injured during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at Beit El military checkpoint, on the northern entrance to Ramallah. The soldiers attacked a march commemorating the 69th anniversary of the Palestinian catastrophe. The march started from Ramallah following a rally in the city center marking the Nakba. When it reached the Beit El checkpoint, soldiers fired rubber bullets and tear gas at them, injuring at least seven people. (WAFA 15 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the Beit El "DCO" military checkpoint in the northern part of the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah and al-Bireh in both directions. The checkpoint was closed to Palestinian traffic passing through in both directions until further notice. (Maannews 16 May 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian from Nilin village, one from Qarawat Bani Zeid, two from al-Mazraa al-Qibliya, one from Birzeit, and two from Deir Abu Mashaal. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- In the Ramallah-area village of Silwad, located in the central occupied West Bank, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) injured one Palestinian with live ammunition and detained two others, after the IOA raided the village, causing clashes to erupt between locals and the IOA. The IOA raided the village and began firing tear gas canisters, rubber-coated steel bullets, and live ammunition. (MAANNEWS 18 May 2017)
- In the Aboud village west of Ramallah city, several Palestinian youths were injured with live bullets during clashes that erupted at the entrance of the village following a march that was organized in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners. The crowd of protesters, which consisted of residents of Aboud as well as Palestinians from at least 10 other northern-Ramallah villages, marched from the village's mosque and headed to the entrance of the village, where armed Israeli occupation Army (IOA) were deployed. The IOA fired live ammunition, tear gas canisters, sound bombs, and rubber-coated steel bullets at protesters, as five Palestinians were injured with live ammunition to the lower part of the body and one protester was injured with a rubber bullet in the leg. A Palestinian infant is in a "serious health condition" after inhaling tear gas shot by the IOA. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- In the village of Nilin west of Ramallah city, three Palestinians were injured with rubber-coated bullets, while others suffered from severe tear gas inhalation during clashes that erupted at the main entrance of the village, following a march in support of hunger strikers. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- Clashes broke out between the Israeli occupation Army and Local Palestinians the IOA suppressed demonstrations launched in solidarity with more than 1,300 Palestinian prisoners who entered their 36th day on hunger strike IN Ramallah Governorate. The IOA fired both live ammunition and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinian protesters who marched from Ramallah city to Israel's Qalandyia military checkpoint. A young man who was hit with a live bullet in the abdomen. Seven others were shot with live fire, and 10 were shot with rubber-coated steel bullets. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- In the Ramallah-area village of Nabi Saleh, two Palestinian "youth" were injured with live ammunition during clashes that erupted with Israeli

occupation Army (IOA) at the entrance of the village, after the IOA suppressed a solidarity march in solidarity with more than 1,300 Palestinian prisoners who entered their 36th day on hunger strike. (Maannews 22 May 2017).

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Bil'in, to the west of Ramallah, and seized computers and other documents. The IOA also raided a number of Palestinian homes in the village. Soldiers assaulted residents and ransacked and vandalized their homes, seizing computers, mobile phones and other papers and documents. (WAFA 24 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed a printing shop in the center of Ramallah and seized equipment worth \$18,000 owned by Khaled Msafar. The soldiers raided the shop, "Y Print", after blowing up the door, ransacked it and seized most of the printing equipment. This was the second time in four months the Israeli army raid Msafer's printing shop. The IOA had previously confiscated equipment and machines from shop estimated at \$160,000 on claims that his shop prints posters of Palestinians killed by the IOA and other "inciting" material. (WAFA 25 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a metal workshop in Ni'lin village west of Ramallah city on the pretext that it was manufacturing weapons. (Maannews 25 May 2017)
- In the Ramallah-area village of Nabi Saleh in the central West Bank, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured two Palestinians with live bullets, and one with rubber-coated bullets. Clashes erupted at the entrance of the village between Palestinian and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during a march in the village. The IOA fired live bullets and rubber-coated bullets at Palestinians. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- In the village of Silwad, located in the central West Bank Ramallah Governorate, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Sheikh Bassam Hammad, father of Anas Hammad who was killed by the IOA last December, and Palestinian prisoners Abd al-Rahim and Taqwa Hammad. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the town of Betunia north of Ramallah city and detained ex-prisoner Ahmed Nouh Hreish from his family home. (PALINFO 28 May 2017)

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- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Kafr Malik village, northeast of Ramallah city. The IOA fired teargas grenades and live bullets, causing the injury of two Palestinians. (Orient FM 3 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Umm Safa village, northwest of Ramallah city, and fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinian houses and vehicles. (Wattan 5 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) tightened its procedures at the entrance of 'Abud villages, northwest of Ramallah city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles, checked ID cards and questioned Palestinians. (Safa 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched two Palestinian houses in Deir Nidham village, northwest of Ramallah city. The targeted houses are owned by: Ibrahim Al 'Araj and Yousif At-Tamimi. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired stun grenade at Palestinians and their houses. (Wafa 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in several areas in Deir Abu Mash'al village, northwest of Ramallah city. The IOA stationed at the entrance of the village, stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles, checked ID cards and questioned Palestinians. (Maannews 7 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Silwad town, northeast of Ramallah city, after the IOA invaded the western part of the town. The IOA fired teargas grenades and rubber bullets, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Safa 10 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly non-violent protest against the Segregation wall and Settlements in Nilin village, west of Ramallah city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at the participants and the Palestinian houses, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Maannews 10 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and toured in Budrus village, northwest of Ramallah city. (Al-Quds 10 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched areas and neighborhood at the western part of Budrus village, northwest of Ramallah city. (Safa 11 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched dozens of Palestinian houses at the northern neighborhoods in Deir Abu Mish'al village, northwest of Ramallah city. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired live and rubber bullets, and teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses. (Safa 12 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed the entrances of 'Abud, Deir Nidham and An Nabi Saleh villages in Ramallah governorate. (Al-Quds 12 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) tightened its procedures around Silwad town, northeast of Ramallah city. (Raya 13 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched tens of Palestinian houses in Deir Abu Mish'al village, northwest of Ramallah city. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired live bullets and teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses. (Safa 14 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Jalazoun refugee camp, north of Ramallah city. The IOA fired teargas grenades and live bullets at Palestinians. During the clashes, the IOA arrested Mohammad Salah Az-Zeinat. (Al-Quds & Wattan 15 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Bilin village, west of Ramallah city. The IOA fired rubber bullets, teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians and their houses, causing tens of suffocation cases. During the clashes, the IOA seized five Palestinian vehicles, owned by: Haitham Al Khateb, Laith Yassen, Abed Al Hamed Samarah, Mujahed Birnat and Muwafaq Al Khateeb. (Wafa 16 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly non-violent protest against the Segregation wall and settlements in Nilin village, west of Ramallah city. The IOA fired teargas grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Raya 17 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers living in Ofra settlement hurled stones at Palestinian vehicles traveling at the main road near the settlement. As a result 5 vehicles were damaged. (PNN 17 June 2017)
- Mahmoud Badran (20 years) was killed and two others were injured after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at their vehicle while they were at the entrance of Beit 'Ur At Tahta village, west of Ramallah city. (NBPRS 21 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched tens of Palestinian houses located at the western part of Nilin village, west of Ramallah city. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas and stun grenades at Palestinians and their houses. (RB2000 22 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers torched 100 dunums of Palestinian agricultural land in Al Mughayyir village, northeast of Ramallah city, causing the torch of 120

olive trees. Noted that few days ago, the Israeli settlers also, cut and destroyed 12 olive trees in land located between Al Mughayyir and Turmus'ayya villages. (NBPRS 22 June 2017)

- The Israeli Civil Administration submitted a building scheme in Al Quds Daily Newspaper for Public Review³. The Regional Plan No. (230), Mandate scheme RJ/S/ירש, 929 and 1/929, parts of basin number 2 in Khirbet Abu Tahla and Al Muroj area in Saffa village and basin Numbr 2 part of Al Fatem Ash Shamali area in Beit Sira village in Ramallah Governorate. The plan aims to establish industrial area for Horun junction, and changing the status of land from agricultural area to industrial area, public and commercial buildings, road networks, and open area. (Al-Quds 23 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly non-violent protest against the Segregation Wall and Settlements in Bilin village, northwest of Ramallah city. (Wafa 24 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers torched Palestinian agricultural land near Sinjil village, north of Ramallah city, causing the torch of a number of olive and almond trees. (Wafa & RB2000 24 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint near Al Jalazoun refugee camp, north of Ramallah city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Wattan 28 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched a number of Palestinian houses in Deir Abu Mash'all village, northwest of Ramallah city. (Wattan 29 June 2017)

Jericho Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Jericho Governorate during the month of May 2017

• The Israeli occupation army (IOA) demolished Palestinian crude homes and animal shelters in the Bedouin village of Jiftlik in the central Jordan Valley. Israeli bulldozers razed two shanties and displaced their residents as well as two animal shelters at the pretext of unlicensed construction. The structures are owned by Najeh Ka'abneh and his son Odeh. (PALINFO 9 May 2017)

³ It is the last step before approving the building scheme, after which, building permits and tenders may be issued

- Disguised Israeli soldiers kidnapped a Palestinian young man during his presence in Jericho (Ariha) city, with no known reason. Plain-clothes soldiers stormed the city, rounded up a young man called Qusai Sawafta, from Tubas city in the northern West Bank, and withdrew from the area. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- 22 Palestinian citizens were injured during confrontations with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the northern entrance of Jericho city. The IOA fired tear gas canisters and rubber bullets at the Palestinian youths and two Palestinians were arrested and taken for interrogation after being beaten by the IOA. (PALINFO 21 May 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Jericho Governorate during the month of June 2017

- Israeli Civil Administration invaded Arab Al Ka'abnah Bedouin community near An Nabi Musa area, south of Jericho city, and destroyed and seized 6 residential tents and a mobile house used a a kindergarten. (LRC 5 June 2017)
- An Israeli settler ran over a flock of sheep belonging to a Palestinian shepherd near the al-Zubeidat village, north of Jericho city, causing the death of 25 of the sheep. Palestinian security sources told Ma'an that an Israeli settler was driving at a high speed and ran over the flock of sheep while they were crossing the road. (Maannews 10 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out a military order to stop the construction of an under construction stadium in Al Fasayil village, north of Jericho city. (LRC 15 June 2017)

Salfit Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Salfit Governorate during the month of April 2017

 A new Israeli plan to confiscate dozens of dunums of Palestinian-owned lands west of Salfit. The so-called Israeli Civil Administration declared intention to build a new university in Elkana settlement at the expense of dozens of agricultural dunums west of Salfit. Bulldozing operations have already started in the area without notifying the lands' owners of the confiscation orders. (PALINFO 1 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) delivered an order to demolish seven Palestinian homes in the village of Deir Ballut west of Salfit in the central occupied West Bank earlier this week. The structures are located in the Abu al-Raish area, south of central Deir Ballut, near where Israel plans to build a section of its illegal separation wall. Israel's Civil Administration raided the area and delivered demolition notices for the buildings, noting that demolition orders for the same seven structures had been delivered several times before. The properties are owned by Muhammad Shahbir. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a makeshift checkpoint at the main entrance to Kifl Hares town, west of Salfit in the West Bank. Israeli soldiers at the roadblock searched passing vehicles and passengers and checked the IDs of young people in particular. The roadblock obstructed the movement of vehicles and prompted many drivers to take other routes. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army Bulldozers (IOA) uprooted 150 olive trees in the Wadi Qana valley in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit without prior notice and destroyed a 40-meter-long dry-stone wall in the area. The trees were "evicted" under the pretext of "damaging the natural view and values of the nature resort." The uprooted trees belonged to Abd al-Aziz Abd al-Qadir Aqil and Muqbil Muhammad Awwad. (Maannews 3 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished Palestinian residential tents and livestock shelters west of Salfit Governorate. The IOA demolished 3 residential tents housing the Shheibar homeless family in Abu al-R'eish area, between Deir Balout and al-Laban villages, west of Salfit. The IOA further knocked down six shelters for raising livestock and ordered the family to evacuate the other shelters in no more than a week's time. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers trespassed onto private Palestinian land and vandalized property in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit. Nine settlers went to a water well belonging to Jamal Abu Hijla near the villages of Deir Istiya and Haris, fully removed their clothes and jumped into the well to swim. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
- In Saida, an area of Deir Istiya, Palestinian farmers encountered a group of Israeli settlers with construction equipment trying to transform a well owned by Khalid Abu Nasser into a swimming hole. The settlers fled the scene once they saw the farmers, who also found Hebrew graffiti on nearby rocks. (Maannews 11 April 2017)

- Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian cultivated lands north of Kafr al-Dik town in Salfit Governorate in favor of illegal settlement construction. Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian cultivated lands and archaeological sites near Deir Sam'an village, paving the way for the establishment of a new bypass road for Israelis residing in the nearby illegal settlement outpost of Leshem. Israeli forces and settlers have ceaselessly attempted to grab Kafr al-Dik's northern lands for illegal settlement expansion. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation authorities uprooted and chopped down more than a dozen olive trees in one area of the central occupied West Bank Salfit Governorate. Israeli authorities uprooted 18 olive trees and chopped down three others in the al-Zibaq area of Deir Ballut village in western Salfit. The destruction was part of ongoing land works for a project to build a water pipeline in the area, meant to serve illegal Israeli settlements built on the private Palestinian lands of Deir Ballut. The trees in question were more than 40-year-old trees. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint at the entrance to Kifl Hares village, north of Salfit to the north of West Bank. The IOA stopped and searched dozens of Palestinian vehicles, restricting the people's movement. Many locals were forced to take alternative roads to reach their work. (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- Wastewater from the illegal Israeli settlement of Ariel has been leaking onto surrounding Palestinian lands in the central occupied West Bank Salfit Governorate. The settlement's sewage pipeline had been leaking since Tuesday night, "drowning" nearby Palestinian agricultural lands. Olive trees and other plants on the lands have already been damaged, leading residents to fear of larger scale agricultural and environmental damages should the leaks continue. (Maannews 20 April 2017)
- Hundreds of Israeli settlers, escorted by armed Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Palestinian village of Kifl Haris in the central occupied West Bank Salfit Governorate, where they performed religious rituals throughout the day. Hundreds of Israeli settlers escorted by the IOA entered the village in groups, visiting Islamic shrines in the area, claiming that they were Jewish religious sites. Israeli settlers also set up a tent and portable toilet in the center of the village. The IOA Installed checkpoints at the entrance of the village around noon, preventing Palestinian traffic

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from passing through the village in order to "maintain a suitable atmosphere for settlers. (Haaretz, Maannews 21 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Haris north of Salfit and detained a Palestinian man. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Palestinian village of Kifl Haris north of Salfit in the occupied West Bank, to secure the entry of a group of Israeli settlers who performed religious rituals at tombs in the area. Several Israeli military vehicles raided the village and fired stun grenades in the streets, preventing access to locals, and forcing shops to close. The IOA were deployed at the entrance of the town and searching passing Palestinian vehicles. (Maannews 26 April 2017)
- Violent clashes broke out y in Kifl Hares town north of Salfit in protest against Israeli settlers' provocative break-ins. The confrontations erupted when Israeli occupation Army (IOA) broke into the village in order to provide protection for the settlers who were storming a number of Islamic sites in the area. During the raids, a curfew was imposed on local residents while IOF soldiers fired teargas bombs at a local secondary school. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers affiliated to Ariel industrial zone are razing lands and crushing stones in Batan al-Hamam area in Bruqin village, west of Salfit city. The Ariel industrial zone is expanding at the expense of agricultural land and fertile pastures around the clock. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- In the central West Bank Salfit Governorate, the IOA raided Yasuf village in the eastern part of Salfit Governorate, where they raided the village council's office and confiscated surveillance camera recorders. The IOA confiscated recorders of surveillance cameras claiming they wanted to see movement on the street over the past few days. (Maannews 28 April 2017)

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• Israeli occupation Army (IOA) leveled privately-owned Palestinian lands in the village of Bruqin, west of Salfit in the central occupied West Bank. The IO bulldozers leveled approximately 50 dunums (12.5 acres) of land in the Khallat al-Zaafaran and al-Harayiq areas of the village, which is owned by Sabrah and Ikrima Samara who owned 20 dunums of the 50 dunums that were razed in the area. Land confiscations and earthworks were part of Israeli plans to enlarge illegal settlements in the area, specifically the nearby Ariel settlement. (WAFA, Maannews 2 May 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented Palestinians from performing prayers for the third consecutive week in the village of Deir Istiya in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit near an agricultural road that was closed by the IOA last year, preventing Palestinians from accessing their lands, saying that their lands were the site of Israeli military posts. A verbal dispute erupted between the Israeli soldiers and Palestinians. However, no clashes had erupted. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- Violent clashes broke out after the Israeli occupation Army (IOF) stormed Haris village, northwest of Salfit Governorate. Dozens of Israeli soldiers set up a makeshift checkpoint at the main entrance to the village, spread across its streets, stopped citizens and interrogated them. The soldiers showered local young men with tear gas, provoking them to respond by throwing stones at the soldiers. (PALINFO 6 May 2017)
- Violent clashes broke out after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Haris village, northwest of Salfit Governorate. Dozens of Israeli soldiers set up a makeshift checkpoint at the main entrance to the town, spread across its streets, stopped citizens and interrogated them. The IOA showered local young men with tear gas, provoking them to respond by throwing stones at the soldiers. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a military makeshift barrier at the entrance of Kefl Hares village north of Salfit city in the West Bank. The IOA searched Palestinian vehicles and checked the IDs of the youth and deliberately blocked traffic and offended passengers. Palestinians had to take long bypass roads in order to avoid the traffic jam that resulted from the makeshift barrier. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers from Leshem settlement carried out new digging and razing activities on Palestinian agricultural and grazing lands in Deir Ballut village, west of Salfit Governorate. The bulldozers razed olive trees, agricultural lands and pastures specifically in the areas of ash-Shamiyat and Bab al-Marj, east of the village. Settlers also buried waste material in the area, voicing fear that the buried waste could be hazardous. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- In the Jericho Governorate, one Palestinian was detained from the Aqabat Jaber refugee camp. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- In the village of Deir Istiya in the Salfit Governorate, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) imposed a closure on the village and declared it a "closed military area" in order to prevent Palestinians from performing Friday prayers in the northern side of the village in support of the hunger

strikers. The IOA prevented Palestinian locals and foreign supporters from entering the village after distributing fliers saying that the area was a "closed military area," while installing checkpoints at all entrances to the village. The IOA carried out the procedures to prevent Palestinians from performing Friday prayers at the Wadi Abu Nasser area of the village in solidarity with hunger strikers and to demand the reopening of the agricultural road that has been closed by the IOA. (Maannews 19 May 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) issued stop-work orders against a number of local houses in Deir Ballout village west of Salfit to the north of West Bank. The notified houses are located near Leishm settlement. (PALINFO 23 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrived in military jeeps and set up a military checkpoint at the entrance of Deir Istiya and inspected all Palestinian vehicles going through, causing heavy traffic. (Maannews 23 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) clashed with Palestinian youth in the central occupied West Bank during a march in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners who have been forgoing food for 38 days. The IOA fired tear gas at the Palestinian youths when they approached the illegal Israeli separation wall near the illegal settlement of Ariel in the Salfit Governorate. (Maannews 24 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) declared the area of Wadi Abu Nasser in the village of Deir Istiya in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit a "military post" and banned tens of Palestinians from entering the area to perform Friday prayers in support of some 1,300 Palestinian prisoners on their 40th day of a mass hunger strike. The IOA had distributed fliers to residents claiming that the area was an Israeli military post and evacuated the area by force and prevented Palestinians from drawing Palestinian flags on the walls the army had erected to close off the area. The also IOA surrounded the Palestinians during the prayer and attempted to detain one of the protesters.
- Hundreds of Israeli housing units have been built to expand Bruchin settlement which is established over lands of the Palestinian village of Bruqin, west of Salfit. The expansion works have been going on in 25 settlements established over 18 locations in Salfit province. Maali pointed out that the Israeli government had previously announced the establishment of hundreds of new settlement units in Brokhin

settlement. The construction of the new housing units has taken place on Palestinian agricultural lands in the village. (PALINFO 28 May 2017)

- Wadi al-Matwi (al-Matwi Valley) and the adjacent park in Salfit Governorate have been terribly tainted by sewage waste spilling from the adjacent Israeli Ariel settlement, built on Palestinian lands. The tragic fallouts of sewage waste, mingled with industrial chemicals, which has been pouring into Palestinian springs and streams. The fauna and flora have also been severely damaged by untreated Israeli sewage disposal. A dramatic surge in the toxicity rate of Wadi al-Matwi's soil and ground water forced dozens of farmers out of their own and only lands in Wadi Al Matwi which had been one of Salfit's natural masterpieces and a spring of prolific agricultural output and now has been turned into a source of epidemics, infectious diseases, insects, rodents, pigs, and stench. (PALINFO 28 May 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers have razed a vast tract of land inside and around the settlement of Revava, which was built illegally on a land annexed from the Palestinian towns of Deir Istiya and Hares in Salfit Governorate. The bulldozing activities were intended to expand the settlement, and took place mainly in the southern part of the settlement near the bypass road used by settlers. (PALINFO 30 May 2017)

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- Israeli settlers living in Revava settlement razed Palestinian lands at the northern part of the settlement, to expand the settlement by constructing a number of new housing units. The targeted land owned by the residents of Deir Isitya and Haris villages, north of Salfit city. (Pal Info 12 June 2017)
- Israeli University of "Ariel" in the Israeli settlement of Ariel pumped wastewater and chemistry martials into the Palestinian land in Wadi Al Matawi area at the western part of Salfit governorate. (NBPRS 19 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers stormed Kafl Haris village, north of Salfit city, and assaulted Marwan Sof. (Maannews 20 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers living in Ravava settlement razed Palestinian land at the southern part of Deir Istiya village and northwestern parts of Kafl Haris

village, north of Salfit city, to expand the aforementioned settlements by constructing new housing units. (NBPRS 28 June 2017)

Tulkarem Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Tulkarem Governorate during the month of April 2017

- In the northern West Bank, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained 23 year-old Amer Nahid Saroiji from the Tulkarem refugee camp. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the Palestinian national basketball team player, Hamza Abdullah, 22 from Far'oun village in Tulkarem governorate. The IO soldiers stormed the player's home, blew up its doors and wreaked havoc inside. His father and brothers were detained for a while before arresting Hamza and taking him to an unknown destination. (PALINFO 5 April 2017)
- In Tulkarem, in the northern part of the West Bank, the Israeli soldiers invaded homes in Tulkarem refugee camp, searched them, and abducted a young man, identified as Amir Srouji, 23. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded, at dawn, several homes in different parts of Tulkarem governorate, in the northern part of the occupied West Bank, and abducted six Palestinians, after invading their homes and violently searching them. The IOA invaded and ransacked many homes, in various communities in the Governorate including in Tulkarem city, interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards, and abducted six. The abducted Palestinians have been identified as: Hani Adel Omar, 22, from Far'un village, south of Tulkarem, Ismael Ezzat Jaber, 24, from Nour Shams refugee camp, east of Tulkarem, Ramez Abdul-Hakim Oleyyan, from Nour Shams refugee camp, east of Tulkarem, Emad Mahmoud Masharqa, 30, from Nour Shams refugee camp, east of Tulkarem, Ahmad Al-A'raj, 26, from Thannaba area, east of Tulkarem, and Bassam Mer'ey, 46, from Thannaba area, east of Tulkarem. (IMEMC 6 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers leveled Palestinian lands alongside the road that connects Jubara checkpoint with Tulkarem-Qalqilyia road south of Tulkarem as a prelude to confiscating it. Paving

works are also taking place in the area. The Israeli land-razing operations raised fear among locals over new Israeli confiscation plans in the area. The razed land belongs to Salim Mahmoud Omar and is cultivated with Olive Trees. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Baha' Imad Qa'dan,
 25, from Tulkarem city after raiding his house in the city. (WAFA 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Rabee' Ahmad Farkh,
 28, from Faroun village after raiding his house in the village. (WAFA 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Hatem Muhammad Ghanem, 49, from Deir Al Ghsoun village in Tulkarem, while in his work inside the 1948 lands. (WAFA 17 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped another Palestinian called Diya Qasido in Nur Shams refugee camp in Tulkarem after a violent raid on his home. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- Three Palestinians were detained in Nur Shams refugee camp in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Tulkarem. The three were identified as Ibrahim Yasser Suleiman Fahmawi, 24, Mahmoud Fawaz Qasim Abu Sris, 20, and Nasser Ahmad Suleiman al-Khatib, 22. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian in the Tulkarem refugee camp in Tulkarem Governorate. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinians in their 20s from the West Bank Governorates of Tulkarem and Jenin. The IOA detained three Palestinians after raiding their family homes in Thanaba village to the east of Tulkarem. (WAFA 29 April 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Tulkarem Governorate during the month of May 2017

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian citizen, from Tulkarem city, at Allenby (King Hussein) border crossing after he returned from Jordan. The 22-year-old Mustafa Musameh was taken prisoner after detaining and interrogating him by Israeli officers upon his

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arrival at the crossing. No information about the reason for his detention. (PALINFO 2 May 2017)

- In the Tulkarem Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians, one of whom from the village of Iktaba. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Several Palestinian citizens suffered from inhaling tear gas at dawn during clashes with Israeli soldiers in Tulkarem city, north of the West Bank. The IOA broke into and ransacked homes in Dunaba suburb and Tulkarem refugee camp during its campaign in the city. The IOA clashed with local young men and showered them and nearby homes with volleys of tear gas and stun grenades, causing suffocation among many citizens. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Faroun in the Tulkarem Governorate. and detained four Palestinians. (Maannews 8 May 2017)
- One Palestinian was detained by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in the Nur Shams refugee camp in the Governorate of Tulkarem. (Maannews 9 May 2017)
- In Tulkarem Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed at dawn Attil village, where they ransacked homes and a workshop and interrogated citizens. IOA forced residents of an apartment building in the central neighborhood of the village to stay outdoors for several hours before they broke into it and searched its units. The IOA also assaulted families and wreaked havoc on furniture as they were searching homes in the village. The IOA also pillaged a metalworking workshop belonging to a citizen called Azem Tawfiq before they withdrew from the village. (PALINFO, 10 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) wreaked havoc on a metalworking shop and brutalized its owner and his family in Deir al-Ghusun village, northeast of Tulkarem Governorate in the West Bank. The IOA broke into and ransacked a workshop belonging to Bashir Abu Zeitun and caused widespread destruction to its equipment. The IOA soldiers also searched the house of Abu Zeitun and assaulted him and his family members, pointing out that a large number of troops were deployed on the village's streets during the raid. (PALINFO 12 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Nur Shams refugee camp to the east of Tulkarem city and arrested the activist Taha al-Irani, the head of the popular services committee in the camp. (PALINFO 12 May 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into a blacksmith workshop in Deir al-Ghosun town near Tulkarem city and confiscated its machinery and equipment before closing the workshop. (PALINFO 16 May 2017)
- A number of Palestinians choked on tear gas during clashes with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) that erupted in the vicinity of Khadouri University west of the West Bank city of Tulkarem. A peaceful march kicked off in Tulkarem city which witnessed a general strike in solidarity with Palestinian hunger striking detainees in Israeli jails. Clashes broke out when the march met with IO soldiers who were stationed near to the university. The soldiers were deployed at the entrance of the nearby industrial area. (PALINFO 17 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed at dawn Tulkarem city and its environs and kidnapped a Palestinian citizen from his home. Dozens of Israeli soldiers raided at 02:00 am the house of Mohamed Naifa and ransacked it before taking him handcuffed to an declared place. Scores of Israeli soldiers also spread through and combed streets of Shuweika suburb in the city, erected barriers on its roads and broke into homes for search purposes. The IOA also set up military barriers on roads around the city, intercepted vehicles and checked IDs of Palestinian commuters. (PALINFO 20 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from Shuweika village north of Tulkarem after raiding their homes in the village. The detainees were identified as Muhamamd Khaled Shaker Nayfa, 25, Munther Abdel Aziz Ikbariya, 50, and Amjad Jihad Ahmad Abu Zahra, 45. (WAFA 20 May 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers stormed the Palestinian village of Qarawat Bani Hassan west of Salfit accompanied with a number of bulldozers and carried out razing operations. The bulldozers leveled Palestinian-owned agricultural lands with the aim of building new housing units in the nearby settlements. (PALINFO 25 May 2017)
- One Palestinian was detained from the village of Yassuf in the central west Bank Governorate of Salfit. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) broke into the home of the Palestinian civilian Ziad Hamdan, in Tulkarem's northern village of Balaa, and aggressively attacked his family members after they subjected them to intensive questioning. A number of Israeli army jeeps were further spotted near Tulkarem's Western Mosque at predawn time on claims of hunting for a wanted anti-occupation youth. (PALINFO 29 May 2017)

• In Tulkarem, an Israeli military force broke into the house of Ziyad Hamdan in Bal'ah village and assaulted his family members in order to pressure them to turn in their wanted son, Mohamed. The IOA raided and searched the house of Hamdan several times since the start of the holy month of Ramadan. (PALINFO 30 May 2017)

The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian young man after summoning him at a military checkpoint south of Tulkarem city in the West Bank. The Shin Bet, Israel's internal intelligence, wanted to capture Naser Jaber several times before and handed his family in Tulkarem summonses to turn himself in. (PALINFO 30 May 2017)

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- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) threatened the residents of Far'un village, south of Tulkarm city. (Wattan 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at 'Anab military checkpoint in Tulkarm governorate, shoot and killed a Palestinian girl while she was crossing the checkpoint. (Al-Quds & Wattan 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in areas in Deir Ghusun village, north of Tulkarm city, and erected a military checkpoint at the main road link between Deir Ghusun and Al Jarushiya village. (Safa 21 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) carried out military trainings in Far'un village, south of Tulkram city. Where the IOA fired teargas and stun grenades and rubber bullets at Palestinian houses and land. (Safa 21 June 2017)
- Three Palestinians were injured during clashes that erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Nour Ash-Shams refugee camp, north of Tulkarm city. The IOA fired live bullets and teargas grenades at Palestinians and their houses. During the clashes, the IOA arrested Muhdi Fayad. (Orient FM 21 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in 'Attil village, north of Tulkarm city. The IOA fired teargas grenades and metal bullets, causing tens of suffocation cases. During the clashes, the IOA erected a military checkpoint at the entrance of the village. (Safa 28 June 2017)

Nablus Governorate (April 2017 - June 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Nablus Governorate during the month of April 2017

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) intelligence officers raided the house of the 17-year-old Ahmad Ghazal in the Jabal al-Tur area (also known as Mount Gerizim) in southern Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank and interrogated his family for more than an hour. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided and shut down the al-Bukhari bookstore in Nablus near An-Najah National University. The bookstore, which is owned by Alaa al-Terawi, would remain closed until May 31. (Maannews 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian young man from Zaatara checkpoint, south of Nablus. The arrestee was identified as the 35-year-old Mohamed Abu Za'bal, from Balata refugee camp, east of Nablus. Abu Za'bal is an ex-prisoner who had spent several years in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers attacked Palestinians in Huwara and Burin towns south of Nablus city in the northern West Bank. The Huwara attack took place close to Yitzhar settlement. (PALINFO 2 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated a Palestinian-owned mobile home in the northern occupied West Bank village of Furush Beit Dajan east of Nablus in the Jordan Valley. The property belong to local Tariq Abu Oun and was confiscated under the pretext that the construction was placed illegally without receiving the necessary permits for the property. (WAFA, MAANNEWS 4 APRIL 2017)
- Hundreds of Israeli settlers stormed at daybreak Joseph's Tomb in Nablus, in the northern occupied West Bank. over seven buses carrying hundreds of Israeli settlers rolled into Nablus's eastern zone under heavy police escort. The Israeli settlers broke into Joseph's Tomb and performed sacrilegious rituals. Overnight, Israeli military patrols cordoned off the environs of the tomb as they set the stage for the break-in. Clashes flared up in the area between the Israeli soldiers and the Palestinian antioccupation youth in Amman Street and near the northern entrance to Balata refugee camp, east of Nablus. The occupation forces attacked the Palestinian protesters with randomly-discharged barrages of teargas canisters. (PALINFO 4 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOF) kidnapped a Palestinian youth from southern Nablus after they aggressively beat him. The IOA stopped a car driving near a flying checkpoint set up on the main access road to Jama'in town, south of Nablus, and forced a Palestinian youth out of the car. The arrestee, who is reportedly a native of the nearby Ourif town, tried to flee but was chased down and violently beaten by the Israeli soldiers. (PALINFO 6 April 2017)
- In the northern city of Nablus, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Islam al-Zbeidi and Muhammad al-Bukhari. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian young men from Sabastiya town north of Nablus city in the northern West Bank identified as Mohammad Hatem and Khalil Mohammad Ghazal. The IO troops, in several patrols, raided the town leading to clashes with Palestinian youths. The IOA fired tear gas and stun grenades in order to disperse the protesters. (PALINFO 7 April 2017)
- Four Palestinians were detained by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at Beit Furik checkpoint, east of Nablus. The four detainees were handcuffed by the IOA and forced to lie on the ground. (PALINFO 7 April 2017)
- In Nablus, in the northern part of the West Bank, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) abducted Islam Zobeidi, from his home in the University Street, and Mohammad al-Bokhari, from his home in the Schools Street. The invasion was carried out by dozens of soldiers, and targeted many neighborhoods in the city, especially the eastern and western areas, where the soldiers searched and ransacked many homes. (IMEMC 7 April 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers blocked off a road near the illegal Yizhar settlement in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus, holding signs that called for revenge on Palestinians. Some 30 Israeli settlers protested at the road under protection of armed Israeli occupation Army (IOA), blocking Palestinian cars from passing through. The settlers held signs reading "revenge" in Hebrew. (Maannews 7 April 2017)
- Shvut Rachel settlers announced the building of a synagogue, a spiritual center for the settlement. Prayer halls for Ashkenazi and Sephardic worshipers alike, as well as a well-equipped religious library, will be included. G-d willing, the new synagogue will be built in a spacious building which should accommodate all worshipers. Settlers received the various building permits, as well as plans for the architectural construction, and the approval of the regional council, and all the other

necessary permits. Settlers also established a fund under the name of "Beit Knesset Keva, Shvut Rachel," with its own bank account and raised approximately a million Israeli shekels from the families who live in the settlement. (INN 9 April 2017)

- Hundreds of Israeli settlers under the cover of the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Sebastyia village archeological site north of Nablus to celebrate Passover. (WAFA 12 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Sanur village and stormed the house of Prisoner Muhammad Khaled Ayasa, 23 years, searched it and questioned family members. (WAFA 13 April 2017)
- Israeli military patrols stormed Nablus and searched dozens of Palestinian homes near An-Najah Campus, before they subjected their inhabitants to intensive questioning. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) patrol stormed Palestinian apartments in the area after they smashed all the entrance doors in the hunt for university students. The soldiers further ravaged Palestinian commercial shops and seized surveillance cameras. (PALINFO 16 April 2017)
- Lecturer at An-Najah University Dr. Mustafa al-Shanar was rushed to a
 hospital after Israeli soldiers broke into his family home at the crack of
 dawn and wreaked havoc on the building. (PALINFO 16 April 2016).
- A Palestinian young man from Abed family was kidnapped by the Israeli
 forces from Tel village, south of Nablus. The young man, a student at AnNajah University, was arrested on his way to an Israeli intelligence center
 in Hawara military camp, in southern Nablus. The IOF soldiers had
 stormed Abed's family home at the crack of dawn and handed him an
 interrogation writ. (PALINFO 16 April 2016)
- Violent clashes broke out between local residents and Jewish settlers after the latter set fire to olive fields in Burin village, south of Nablus in the occupied West Bank. The settlers tried to enter the village after they lit its nearby fields, prompting residents to use loudspeakers to call for repelling the attack and putting out the fires. Consequently, many residents clashed with the settlers in an attempt to fend them off before a large number of Israeli troops showed up, attacked the villagers and escorted the assailants out of the area. (PALINFO 16 April 2017)
- Tens of Israeli settlers raided Joseph tomb east of Nablus city under the cover of the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) to carry out Talmudic rituals. (WAFA 16 April 2017)

- In Nablus Governorate, the Israeli occupation army continued, for the second consecutive day, to close the main road to Tell town with mounds of dirt and rocks. No reason was given for the closure of the road. This measure, however, forced Palestinian drivers to take longer routes in order to reach their destinations. (PALINFO 17 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation army troops broke into Palestinian family homes in Rafidia and al-Mekhfiya in the hunt for Palestinian students affiliated with the Islamic Bloc at An-Najah University. The assault coincides with the student council elections held at An-Najah Campus. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- Clashes flared up in Nablus shortly after seven Israeli military patrols stormed the city at the crack of dawn and scoured residential neighborhoods, most notably Rafidia, to the west. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a main entrance to the village of Tell southwest of Nablus city in the northern occupied West Bank, providing no explanation for the closure to locals. An Israeli army patrol escorted military bulldozers to the southern entrance of the village, closing off the road with earth mounds. Israeli forces had recently set up several military checkpoints at a crossroads leading to Tell from its southern side, stopping Palestinians and searching their ID cards. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian ex-prisoner as he was passing through the Hawara military checkpoint, south of Nablus. The IOA deployed at Hawara checkpoint stopped the Palestinian citizen Mootassem Tayssir Samara, 40, while he was driving in the area, on his way back home from Ramallah. The Israeli soldiers inspected Samara's ID before they arrested him and dragged him to an unknown destination. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at dawn kidnapped a young man from his home in Balata al-Balad suburb, east of Nablus city in the West Bank. Israeli troops aboard military vehicles stormed the suburb and kidnapped Obadah Duwaikat, a student at an-Najah University. Israeli soldiers encircled the house of Duwaikat before raiding it and then bundled him into an armored detention vehicle and drove away. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- One Palestinian teenager was detained from the Nablus Governorate as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attempted to prevent worshipers from

performing Friday prayers at the Beita crossroads south of Nablus city. The teen was identified as 16-year-old Muhammad Qassem Abu Mazen. Dozens of Palestinian worshipers from the villages of Beita, Osarin, Udala, and Aqraba had gathered at the crossroads to perform Friday prayers as a form of demonstration in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners. (Maannews 21 April 2017)

- More than 100 Israeli settlers raided the eastern side of Urif village south of Nablus city and clashed with Palestinians in the area. (WAFA 22 April 2017)
- Some 100 "Israeli settlers" from the illegal Yitzhar settlement entered the village of Urif from its east side and proceeded to smash windows of houses, included one belonging to resident Munir al-Nouri. Settlers were about to break into the house before Palestinian villagers gathered and forced them away. Minutes later, a number of Israeli military vehicles stormed the village to protect the settlers. Clashes erupted between Palestinians youth and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) who fired tear gas canisters, stun grenades, and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinians. Four Palestinians were shot with rubber-coated steel bullets, one of whom was hit in the head. The four were identified as Adel al-Safadi, Jihad Saad, Mustafa Fawzi, and Sharif Abd al-Hafith. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers attacked Palestinians and their homes in the town of Huwwara, on the southeastern edge of Yitzhar with stones and "sharp objects." A 72-year-old woman, Badiah Muhammad Hamdan, and a young man identified as Ahmad Yousif Udah were injured. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- A young Palestinian man, identified as Asim Salim, 19, was run over by an Israeli settler in al-Masoudiyya west of Nablus city. Salim was trying to cross the road in al-Masoudiyya when a settler's vehicle hit him and fled the scene. (Maannews 23 April 2017)
- Nearly ten Israeli patrols stormed Nablus city to the north of West Bank and surrounded the house of Imad Aghbar who was detained few days ago. Aghbar's house was violently stormed and searched during the raid, while his family members were threatened and assaulted by the IOA. (PALINFO 23 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) carried out artillery exercises in Khirbet at-Tawil hamlet, east of Aqraba village in the West Bank Governorate of Nablus, with no regard to the safety of local residents. Hundreds of soldiers near the homes of Khirbet at-Tawil Bedouins and on the nearby

eastern plains ahead of the drills. Loud explosions rocked their area throughout the night as a result of the firing of artillery shells in at-Tawil area. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Beit Dajan village east of Nablus city and started taking photos of new Palestinian houses in the village. The IOA forced Palestinian inhabitants to leave the house in order to take photos of the houses. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- In the Nablus Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Askar refugee camp and detained five Palestinians, identified as Muhammad al-Jiji, Muhammad al-Asmar, Jamil al-Aqra, Izz al-Din al-Aqra, and Ahmad Abed. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the new Askar refugee camp to the east and kidnapped five young men after ransacking their homes. The detainees were identified as Mahmoud al-Jabji, Mohamed al-Samri, Jamil al-Aqra, Izz al-Aqra and Ahmed Abed. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation troops stormed Qaryut village, south of Nablus, and embarked on randomly firing stun grenades to cause panic among the residents. No arrests were reported. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- Israeli military force raided Palestinian homes in Huwara village, south of Nablus, and kidnapped two young men. (PALINFO 25 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the home of 17-year-old Amjad Maher Saleh, and subjected his family members to exhaustive interrogation. The IOA cordoned off Saleh's family home in al-Quds Street, in Balata camp, east of Nablus, and cracked down on the inhabitants, sparking violent clashes in the area. Sounds of heavy bullet fire were detected all the way through the assault. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian man near Huwwara checkpoint, south of Nablus in the West Bank. The IOA opened fire at the young man, who was not immediately identified, and injured him in the abdomen. The IOA denied access of Red Crescent medical teams to the site, adding that the soldiers took the injured man to an unknown destination. (WAFA 26 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers burned a Palestinian car in Hawara town, south of Nablus. A group of Israeli settlers set fire to the car of the Palestinian citizen Mustafa al-Dhmeidi, from Hawara, reducing the vehicle to ashes. Surveillance cameras kept record of the arson attack and of the settlers' infiltration into the area. (PALINFO 26 April 2017)

- Violent clashes erupted after extremist settlers set fire to agricultural land in Burin village south of Nablus city in the northern West Bank. A group of settlers of a nearby settlement outpost torched olive trees and agricultural lands east of the town. Clashes broke out when the inhabitants rushed to the area in order to confront the attacking settlers. Meanwhile, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas canisters at the Palestinian protesters. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers near the illegal settlement of Shave Shomron in the West Bank's Nablus Governorate stopped the car of Ali Qabaha, a resident of the village of Yaabad in Jenin, while he was driving near the settlement. Qabaha was admitted to the hospital after the settlers beat him up and damaged his car.
- Hundreds of Israeli settlers traveled to Joseph's Tomb near the Balata refugee camp in the eastern part of Nablus City after midnight, under the protection of the Israeli army. More than 10 buses carrying Israeli settlers arrived to Joseph's Tomb, where they performed religious rituals. Clashes had erupted between Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and dozens of Palestinians youths around the area. Soldiers used tear gas and stun grenades on the crowd of Palestinians. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained ex-prisoner Nasir Abu Thabet, from Beit Dajan, east of Nablus. The detainee is a student at the Faculty of Media at An-Najah University. He was released a couple of months ago from Israeli lock-ups. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation patrols stormed Asira al-Shamaliya village near Nablus and broke into the home of Munir al-Sabah in the hunt for his son, Mo'men. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Nasir Radwan Abu Thabet, a student at al-Najah University, after raiding and searching his home in the village of Beit Dajan in eastern Nablus. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the home of 16-year-old Saleh Omar Saleh and interrogated the teenager's family members. Saleh, a resident of the Balata refugee camp. (Maannews 27 April 2017)
- Clashes erupted at the Beita crossroads south of Nablus city in the northern West Bank following Friday prayers. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired dozens of tear-gas bombs and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinians. More than ten Palestinians suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation while one youth was injured with a rubber-coated steel

bullet. Among those who suffered tear-gas inhalation was a father of three prisoners, Hajj Ihsan Adili Abu Waddah. Citizen Jihad Ramadan was injured with a stun grenade in the leg. (Maannews 28 April 2017)

- In the village of al-Naqura, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) following Friday prayers. Several Palestinians suffered tear-gas inhalation. Several trees in the village caught on fire from tear-gas bombs and stun grenades fired by Israeli soldiers. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the Awarta village in southern Nablus, dozens of Palestinians took part in Friday prayers near the Huwwara Israeli military base. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired dozens of tear-gas bombs at Palestinians following prayers. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- In the New Askar area of Nablus, adjacent to the Askar refugee camp, one Palestinian suffered tear gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA). (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- A tear gas canister shot by Israeli occupation army (IOA) amid clashes in Beita village in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus ignited a fire in a market in the village and burned down more than eight warehouses. The fire was caused by tear gas canisters shot by the IOA at a warehouse that contained plastic and cardboard objects. Within a few minutes the fire was ignited in the warehouse, and later spread to more than eight other warehouses, causing all of them to burn down. One local merchant stated that the damages caused by the fire were estimated to be worth millions of shekels. (Maannews 28 April 2017)
- Israeli settlers attacked a Palestinian home in the village of Urif to the south of Nablus and injured the owner after physically attacking him. Israeli settlers residing in the illegal West Bank settlements attacked the home of Munir Suleiman and beat him up causing bodily injuries that required treatment in hospital. Following the incident, village residents confronted the settlers and clashed with Israeli soldiers who rushed to the scene to provide the settlers with protection. The soldiers showered the residents with tear gas and fired rubber-coated metal bullets at them injuring a 56-year-old Palestinian man. (WAFA 29 April 2017)
- In the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two students of al-Najah National University, identified by locals as Mumin Sabah from the village of Asira al-Shamaliya north of Nablus, and Osama Yamin from the village of Tell southwest of Nablus. (Maannews 30 April 2017)

 Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Rabi Khalid during a raid in Ein Beit al-Mai refugee camp west of Nablus, Asaad Marahil from Nablus city, and an unidentified Palestinian youth from the al-Qasaba area of Nablus' Old City. (Maannews 30 April 2017)

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- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Sabastiya in the northern occupied West Bank, firing tear gas at Palestinians holding a sitin in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners, causing the sitin tent to catch fire. Clashes erupted following the fire, with Israeli soldiers firing more tear gas canisters in the area and damaging at least one vehicle parked in the area. A number of Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 1 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers showed up at Hawara checkpoint and on the access road to Bracha settlement, illegally built on Palestinian land in Kafr Kalil and Arak Burin, to mark Israel's settlement in Palestine. (PALINFO 2 May 2017)
- Violent clashes broke out between Palestinian young men and Israeli soldiers in the villages of Qusra and Madama, south of Nablus city. Several Israeli troops stormed Madama village, chased local young men and opened fire at them. The soldiers stormed many homes in the eastern neighborhoods of the village in search for young men seen rallying in an area near the illegal settlement of Yitzhar.
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) (IOA) closed the junction and checkpoint of Huwara, south of Nablus in the West Bank, following a provocative march staged by settlers in the Palestinian villages of Huwara and Qusra. Dozens of settlers also stormed Palestinian agricultural lands in an area near Yitzhar settlement and caused damage to crops. Meanwhile, skirmishes broke out at the eastern entrance to Qusra town after the IOA set up a roadblock and embarked on intercepting and searching Palestinian vehicles. Chief of the Qusra town municipality Abdul-Adeem Wadi suffered a rubber bullet injury in his leg during the events. (PALINFO 3 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers at predawn preformed sacrilegious rituals and yelled "death to Arabs" at Yitzhar crossroads, south of Nablus. Palestinians driving in the area said over 100 Israeli settlers, escorted by heavily-armed

soldiers, flocked to the northern entrance to Hawara town, south of Nablus, and yelled anti-Arab chants. The Israeli settlers further called for revenge against the Palestinians, shouting "death to Arabs and Muslims. (PALINFO 3 May 2017)

- Two Palestinians were detained from the Nablus Governorate, with the Israeli occupation army citing one detention from the Huwwara village south of Nablus city, and one from the village of Tell, southwest of Nablus. (Maannews 4 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a former Palestinian prisoner at the Huwwara military checkpoint south of Nablus city in the northern occupied West Bank. The IOA detained Nidal Nader Suleiman, 36, a resident of the Nablus-area Kafr Qalil village, after stopping the vehicle he was riding in and searching the ID cards of passengers. Suleiman was on his way back to Nablus from a solidarity march in Ramallah when he was detained. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained three Palestinians—Sameh Abu Kushk, Aboud al-Asmar, and Khalil Hamzawi—from Askar camp, in Nablus.
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Iraq Burin village, south of Nablus, and clashed with local young men. The IOA patrol vehicles entered the eastern neighborhood of the village before a brigade of soldiers stormed on foot the old district and spread near its Mosque. The IOA fired tear gas and rubber bullets at the young men before they withdrew to the main entrance of the village and set up a makeshift checkpoint there. (PALINFO 6 May 2017)
- The main entrance to Beita village, south of Nablus, has been blocked with mounds of dirt and rocks for about three weeks. The Israeli occupation army (IOA) claimed its closure of this entrance aimed to prevent the local residents from organizing protests there on Fridays. (PALINFO 6 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) sealed the main entrance of the village of Beita in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus. Israeli bulldozers, escorted by the IOA sealed the main crossroads of the village with large dirt mounds and then prevented Palestinians from entering or leaving the village until further notice. (Maannews 6 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a march that was staged in support of a mass hunger strike underway in Israeli prisons. One Palestinian was shot and injured with a rubber-coated steel bullet and

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eight others suffered from tear gas inhalation. Around 200 Palestinians marched from a sit-in tent in the village of Beita towards the main junction, where clashes erupted with the IOA that lasted for about two hours. The IOA fired rubber-coated steel bullets, sound bombs, and tear gas canisters at Palestinian protesters. (Maannews 7 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) physically assaulted and kidnapped a young man called Ikrima Khatatba from aboard a public bus at Beit Furik checkpoint, east of Nablus. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- Eight Palestinian young men suffered from inhaling tear gas and another from a rubber bullet injury during violent clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the junction of Beita village, south of Nablus in the occupied West Bank. Dozens of young men marched in the evening hours from a sit-in tent in the village to the junction, where clashes broke out with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA). Clashes lasted for over two hours, during which the soldiers intensively fired tear gas and stun grenades at the young protestors.
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a makeshift checkpoint at the main entrance to Asira ash-Shamaliya town, north of Nablus, and embarked on stopping passing vehicles and checking the IDs of passengers. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) have been closing the entrance of Beita village, south of Nablus, for the second week. The closure aims at preventing the ongoing events held in solidarity with Palestinian striking detainees in Israeli jails. The IOA previously threatened to pursue security measures against the town if solidarity events continued. (PALINFO 7 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Sabastiya west of Nablus in the northern West Bank, sparking clashes with locals. The IOA showered the area with tear gas and stun grenades, causing a number of Palestinians to suffer from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 8 May 2017)
- A large Israeli force broke into the eastern area of Nablus city late at night and confiscated equipment used for the construction of a new road in Rujeib town. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) claimed that the construction works are conducted in Area C which is supposed to be under Israeli control according to the Oslo Agreement. (PALINFO 8 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided three lathe workshops owned by Shaheen, Al Barza and Jamous families, allegedly used for manufacturing

weapons in the Nablus-area Balata refugee camp. The IOA had sealed off the workshops and confiscated equipment. (WAFA 9 May 2017)

- Palestinian youths from the town of Asira al-Shamaliyeh in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus -- the majority of them former prisoners, including Bilal Kayid, who was released from Israeli prison after undertaking a 71-day hunger strike last year in protest of his administration detention without charge or trial. The detainees were taken from their homes to a wedding reception hall in the town, where they were interrogated for nearly two hours before they were let go. (PALINFO, Maannews 10 May 2017)
- Several Israeli settlers set fire to hundreds of dunums of agricultural land in the eastern part of Burin village in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus. Several Israeli settlers from the illegal Bracha settlement near Burin deliberately lit a fire in Jabal Abu Salem area in the village. The fire then spread rapidly throughout the area. Israeli settlers also attacked a Palestinian house belonging to Hamzi al-Zein. The settlers threw rocks at the home and attempted to enter it but locals prevented them and proceeded to force them from the area. (Maannews 10 May 2017)
- Violent clashes broke out after a large number of Israeli troops stormed Joseph's Tomb in the eastern Governorate of Nablus city. About 10 military vehicles carrying soldiers and one bus carrying Israeli construction workers stormed the mausoleum at around 01:00 am in order to renovate the site. Consequently, skirmishes between local young men and Israeli soldiers broke out in the area around the shrine before it escalated and expanded to the nearby town of Balata al-Balad, Amman street, and the northern outskirts of Balata refugee camp. At about 03:30 am, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) withdrew to the Beit Furik military barrier, east of Nablus city. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the West Bank village of Sabastia north of Nablus city for the second time in 24 hours. Israeli patrols raided the historic area in the village leading to a state of tension and mobilization among Palestinian families and visitors who were present at the site. Several patrols escorted by some buses carrying Jewish settlers stormed the same village a day before. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed Huwwara checkpoint in Nablus Governorate in both directions and blocked a solidarity march as well as

traffic organized by Palestinians in the West Bank city of Nablus which took to the streets in solidarity with Palestinian hunger striking detainees in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian young man, from Nablus city, upon his return from Jordan, where he pursues his higher studies. The 30-year-old Muaad al-Sarkaji was arrested by the Shin Bet at Allenby border crossing with Jordan after he returned from Amman. Sarkaji works as a lecturer at al-Ummah College in Ramallah city and travels every week to Amman to attend a postgraduate study program. The detainee is married with one kid, and was already jailed for six months in 2010. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed a road with dirt mounds and cement blocks near the Palestinian village of Osarin in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus. Israeli military bulldozer escorted by several Israeli military vehicles closed the junction leading to Osarin completely and banned residents from passing through until further notice.(Maannews 11 May 2017)
- Clashes erupted between hundreds of Palestinians and the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following Friday prayers, when Palestinians marched towards the Beita junction and Beit Furik checkpoint in a demonstration in support of the hunger strikers. 40 Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation at the Beita junction, while 16 were injured with rubber bullets. (Maannews 12 May 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) had directly opened live ammunition on three Red Crescent ambulances during clashes near Beit Furik, causing damage to the ambulances, including shattering windshields. (Maannews 12 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested the released prisoner Yousuf al-Tartir, 24, who is from al-Masaken al-Shaabiyya neighborhood in Nablus at al-Karama crossing which links between the West Bank and Jordan. (PALINFO 12 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested head of Burqa village council, Sami Daghlas north of Nablus city while participating in a sit in protest to support the 1700 striking Palestinian prisoners inside the Israeli jails. The IOA violently assaulted Daghlas and handcuffed him before taking him to HUwwara detention center. (WAFA 16 May 2017)
- A Palestinian man was hospitalized after a group of Israeli settlers attacked Palestinians with rocks south of Nablus in the northern occupied

West Bank . Yousif Abu Bakr, from Jenin, sustained injuries after he was struck with a rock thrown by an Israeli at a crossroads near the illegal Israeli settlement of Yitzhar adjacent to the Palestinian village of Huwwara. (Maannews 17 May 2017).

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) temporarily closed off a road in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus. The IOA informed the Huwwara municipality on Tuesday that the village's main road would be closed to traffic from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday. The IOA were opening the nearby Awarta checkpoint to allow people to pass through that road instead. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- In the Nablus Governorate, one Palestinians was detained in the village of Asira al-Qibliya. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- Six Palestinians were detained in al-Askar refugee camp. The raid into Askar refugee camp also sparked clashes, and one Palestinian youth was injured after Israeli soldiers shot him. (Maannews 17 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Nablus city and raided homes in its western neighborhoods and Zawata area. Israeli troops aboard five patrol vehicles entered Nablus city through the road of Deir Sharaf and raided some homes, adding that another military force was seen in a nearby street known as Beit Aiba. The IOA also stormed Yasid town, north of Nablus, and imposed a dawn curfew throughout its streets. (PALINFO 18 May 2017)
- Clashes broke out between Palestinian young men and Israeli soldiers in Sebastia village, northwest of Nablus. (PALINFO 18 May 2017)
- Jewish settlers set fire to cultivated fields in Huwara village, south of Nablus, before some local residents managed to quench the fire and prevent it from spreading to their homes, which are located north of the village. (PALINFO 18 May 2017)
- An Israeli settler shot and killed a Palestinian and injured a journalist during clashes between Palestinians and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) south of Nablus. Mutaz Bani Shamsa, 23, from the town of Beita, south of Nablus, was shot and killed by an Israeli settler during a demonstration in the nearby village of Huwwara. A journalist, identified as Majdi Ishtayeh, was also injured after he was shot in the hand while covering the demonstration. (WAFA 18 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Khaleel Yousif Muhamamd Yameen in Jit village east of Qalqilyia city, searched the house and messed with its contents. (WAFA 18 May 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the Palestinian youth, Ismail Duwaikat, at Zaatara military barrier south of Nablus city in the northern West Bank. The IOA soldiers stopped Duwaikat's car while passing through the checkpoint. They checked the IDs of passengers before arresting him and taking him to an unknown destination. (PALINFO 18 May 2017)
- Following a deadly shooting carried out by an Israeli settler near the Huwwara village in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus, an Israeli settler distributed candy to passing Israeli vehicles south of Nablus in celebration of the settler killing a 23-year-old Palestinian earlier in the day. (Maannews 18 May 2017)
- In the northern West Bank Governorate of Nablus, clashes erupted during solidarity protests in the villages of Beita the hometown of 23-year-old Muataz Bani Shamsa, who was shot dead by an Israeli settler. A Palestinian was injured with live fire in his thigh, and three others were injured with rubber-coated steel bullets, while more than 40 suffered from tear gas inhalation during clashes in Beita. The IOA banned medical crews of the Red Crescent from passing through the nearby Huwwara military checkpoint south of Nablus. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- In the village of Beit Dajan in Nablus Governorate, six Palestinians suffered from severe tear gas inhalation during clashes, where the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) deliberately targeted Red Crescent crews with their fire. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- In Nablus Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a paramedic called Yousef Dairiya from his home in Aqraba village and confiscated an ambulance he usually drives. Dairiya was aboard the same confiscated ambulance at the entrance to Huwara town in Nablus when a Jewish settler opened fire at Palestinian protesters killing Mu'taz Bani Shamsa and wounding a journalist and witnessed the killing of citizen Bani Shamsa. (PALINFO 19 May 2017)
- A Palestinian citizen was taken prisoner during an Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raid campaign in Nablus city, north of the West Bank. The detainee was identified as Jamal Shalo, the owner of al-Waleed Transport Company in the city. The IOA also confiscated one of the company's buses at the pretext that it was used to transport citizens from Nablus city to Huwara town, where Bani Shamsa was shot dead by a settler during a protest rally in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 19 May 2017)

- Israelis settlers threw rocks at Palestinian vehicles passing the Yitzhar settlement road south of Nablus, while Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the Beita junction with cement blocks, as well as the Yitzhar road, and the Huwwara and Zaatara checkpoints. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- Israeli settlers set fire to an agricultural tractor and sprayed racist, anti-Arab graffiti "demanding to take revenge on Burin village," south of Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank. A group of Israeli settlers raided the village, set fire to an agricultural tractor owned by local resident Abd al-Athem Idris, and sprayed racist slogans "against Arabs" onto cement blocks in the area. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers from the Yitzhar settlement protested, under the protection of armed Israeli forces, in southern Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank following a deadly shooting carried out by an Israeli settler near the Huwwara village and resulted in the death of the 23-year-old Muataz Bani Shamsa. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the Huwwara checkpoint and the Yitzhar road, which leads to the settlement by the same name. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- Clashes broke out between Palestinian young men and a group of Israeli settlers in Burin village, south of Nablus city in the occupied West Bank. The settlers, who were escorted by Israeli soldiers, hurled stones at local young men in al-Daqaqa area, east of the village and the Israeli soldiers fired stun and tear gas grenades at the young men. (WAFA 21 May 2017)
- A group of Israeli settlers stormed the eastern side of Burin town, physically assaulted a Palestinian citizen identified as Munir Qadus, and vandalized a car belonging to a human rights activist named Zakariya as-Sadda. (PALINFO 21 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed Israeli bypass road No. 5 in Nablus Governorate and prevented traffic in both directions. (Maannews 21 May 2017)
- Two Palestinian youths were injured by Israeli live bullets, while a third was shot by a rubber one. Others choked on tear gas after Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas canisters at the entrance of Deir Sharaf town, west of Nablus city. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinian youths from Askar refugee camp to the east of Nablus city during the clashes that erupted at dawn after the IO soldiers broke into the camp. The three were identified as Mu'tasem Ar Refa'i, Bahaa Abu Kushuk and Anees Al Ashqar. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)

- Clashes erupted between local Palestinians and Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) who escorted some 4,000 right-wing Israelis to Joseph's Tomb east of Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank, when at least two Palestinians were detained and several others suffered from tear gas inhalation. Among the group of Israelis who arrived to the site under armed protection was Mike Huckabee, former US governor of the state of Arkansas, who ran against Donald Trump in the Republican presidential race. Fierce clashes broke out between dozens of young Palestinians and the IOA who escorted the group, with Israeli soldiers firing tear gas canisters and stun grenades at the protesters who pelted soldiers stones and empty bottles. The IOA also detained an unspecified number of young Palestinian men when they stormed Nablus city to escort the group to Joseph's Tomb. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli settlers of the illegal West Bank settlement of Yitzhar torched Palestinian agricultural lands west of Burin village, south of Nablus city. Large land areas planted with olive trees were gutted in the fire. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- Israeli settlers escorted by soldiers harassed Palestinian citizens on a road in the central of Huwwara village, south of Nablus, and injured one of them. About 10 settlers, mostly armed, rallied on the main road in Huwwara and threatened Palestinians traveling aboard their cars to assault and kill them in the presence of Israeli soldiers. Settlers also pointed their guns at passing cars and threw stones at them, injuring a driver in the process. (Maannews 23 May 2017)
- In the West Bank Governorate of Nablus, two Palestinians, identified as Saint Yves Society official Raed Halabi, and Alqam Issa Hamayil, 24, were detained from the village of Beita south of Nablus. (Maannews 24 May 2017)
- Two Palestinians were detained near the village of Salim in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus. The two Palestinians were both from Jenin in the northern occupied West Bank. (Maannews 24 May 2017)
- In the northern West Bank, the 19-year-old Mustafa Salama was injured with a live bullet in his shoulder, while 11 others suffered from tear gas inhalation during clashes that erupted with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the Beita junction in southern Nablus during a sit-in organized in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners. (Maannews 26 May 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Raed Rashad Hamayel, 37, FROM Beita village in southern Nablus during demonstration organized in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners and "violently assaulted him. (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- A number of Israeli settlers from Yitzhar, which is located just a few hundred meters south of Madama, assaulted Mamoun Amin Nassar from the village of Madam in Nablus Governorate and pelted him with stones. (Maannews 28 May 2017)
- The Civil Administration approved jurisdiction over the designated area that will be settled by former residents of Amona in the first concrete indication that the government is making good on its promise to resettle them in a new community. The plan was approved by the Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories (COGAT), Maj. Gen. Yoav Mordechai, following the government's decision. However, before a temporary settlement can be constructed—a necessary precursor to a permanent community—hopeful residents still need a special injunction from the GOC Central Command. The permit in question applies to the jurisdiction over land belonging to the state in the Shilo Valley region of the Mateh Binyamin Regional Council and would represent significant advancement in terms of a timetable for the establishment of the settlement. Amona residents have been asking GOC Central Command Roni Numa for the injunction for several weeks, to no avail. The leader of the Amona settlers, Avichai Buaron, said in light of the development, "Unfortunately, it is still too early to be happy. This decision is but another stage in a long and tedious bureaucratic planning process that could take many years. We repeat: Only a GOC Central Command injunction for the establishment of a temporary residential site can take us out of our desperation. "The new school year will begin in a few months and we and our children don't know what awaits us in the next year. We have been stuck in a youth hostel for four months in difficult conditions and a murky future. "We are calling on the prime minister to honor himself and us and allow us to establish a new community as he promised. According to the agreement, the construction of the new settlement was supposed to begin by the end of March. Two months after that deadline, there is no start in sight. We expect the prime minister to immediately have the attorney general issue the proper injunction so that construction can begin immediately. Only then will we know that the prime minister is not violating the agreement with us, and that the new settlement will be built

immediately." The next stage in the process is devising a construction plan for the community itself, including electrical infrastructure, water and the residential buildings. This will be done in cooperation with the Mateh Binyamin Regional Council. More than 30 families evacuated from Amona are currently living in a youth hostel in Ofra. The families claim they will only leave the hostel for their new community. In recent weeks, Amona activists have been aggressively lobbying politicians such as Knesset Speaker Yuli Edelstein and Deputy Foreign Minister Tzipi Hotovely to speed the process along. (YNETNEWS 28 May 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Burin village, south of Nablus, and kidnapped the Palestinian youth Namer al-Tirawi from his family home. (PALINFO 29 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Beita and Qusra villages, south of Nablus, and kidnapped the Palestinian ex-prisoner Baraa Hamayel from his home, in Beita al-Fouka. Youngster Fares Oudeh was also kidnapped in the assault. (PALINFO 29 May 2017)
- A large number of Israeli troops stormed at dawn Ayn Shibli village northeast of Nablus, and interrogated many families inside their homes, with no known reason. (PALINFO 30 May 2017)
- The head of the Central Command signed a military order defining the jurisdiction to a new Israeli settlement in the West Bank, the first to be established since 1992. The decision to establish the new settlement, which will go by the name "Amichai", was made by the government on March <u>30th</u> as compensation to the evacuees of the Amona outpost, which was built illegally on private Palestinian land and was evacuated in February this year following a verdict of the Supreme Court. Apart from cases of retroactive legalization of illegal outposts, this is the first settlement that the government of Israel is establishing since 1992. Several publications have indicated that on June 7th the sub-committee for settlements of the Higher Planning Committee in the Civil Administration is expected to meet in order to advance plans for settlements. Due to vast pressure coming from settler lobby groups, it is possible that during this meeting, the plan for the settlement will be discussed for depositing. In addition, it is likely a plan to retroactively legalize the Kerem Reim outpost, and expand it to 255 housing units, will be discussed for validation (final approval) during the committee's meeting. Amichai is the second settlement that is being established as compensation for the Amona evacuation. In February this year a plan for new settlement called Shvut

Rachel East, was approved for validation. The plan, number 205/3/1, enables the construction of the first 98 housing units in Shvut Rachel East, which is planned to eventually become a settlement of 300 housing units. While Shvut Rachel East should be referred to as a new settlement by all means, it is officially referred to as a neighborhood of Shilo settlement, despite being located far from any built up area of Shilo, creating a new and distant expansion to the settlement. Remarkably, the government initially suggested to the Amona settlers to establish Shvut Rachel East as compensation for their lawful evacuation. However, although the settlers of Amona rejected the government offer, it went ahead with the approval of the new site. It is also worth noting that Shvut Rachel East is adjacent to Amichai, located just one hilltop west of it. Hence, under the disguise of "compensation" to the Amona settlers, two new settlements, located one next to the other, are now in the making. This is not the first time that the government utilizes a lawful evacuation of an illegal outpost built on private Palestinian lands in order to approve 2 settlements as "compensation." As part of the evacuation of the Migron outpost, the government established "New Migron" (located close to Kochav Yaakov settlement) as well as a plan for 184 housing units east of Adam settlement (aka Geva Binyamin). Just as in the case of Amona, the settlers of Migron rejected the offer to move to the site east of Adam, and yet the government approved the plan, which is currently under construction. Amichai, alongside Shvut Rachel East, enhance the expansion of Shilo settlement eastbound towards the Jordan valley and route number 80 (known as the Alon road). The new settlements are located between Shilo and Shvut Rachel (located to their west) and several illegal outposts: Achiya, Esh Kodesh, Kida and Adei Ad. Hence, the two new settlements are located in a region that serves as focal point of settler land takeover and settler violence, <u>preventing Palestinians</u> from reaching their lands. The establishment of Amichai, as well as that of Shvut Rachel East, are a significant blow to the two-state solution. The settlements are located deep in the West Bank and east of route 60, the main highway in the occupied territories. Effectively, it is impossible to reach a two-state solution without the evacuation of these settlements. Hence, the message that is being conveyed by the government of Israel is that it seeks to heighten its control over the West Bank and that it has whatsoever no intentions of ever evacuating the territories and achieving a political agreement with the Palestinians. (PEACENOW 30 May 2017)

The Israeli Violations in Nablus Governorate during the month of June 2017

- Israeli Interior Minister; Arye Dery, with a group of Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Joseph tomb, east of Nablus city, and performed Talmudic rituals. (RB2000 1 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities handed out military orders to stop the construction of a 200 square meters agricultural barracks and an under construction road (length= 15000 meters) in Khirbet At Tawel, east of Aqraba village, south of Nablus city. (LRC 1 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Joseph tomb at the eastern part of Nablus city. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired live bullets, causing the injury of Jamal Mohammad Dwikat (20 years). (Wafa 3 June 2017)
- Jamal Mohammad Dwikat (20 years) died of wounds he sustained during clashes that erupted between Palestinians and Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) near Joseph tomb, east of Nablus city, on the 3rd of June 2017. (Al-Quds 6 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) occupied 11 Palestinian houses in Huwara village, south of Nablus city, and transformed the houses to military bases. The IOA surrounded the targeted houses with fences and security cameras. (Al Watan Voice 7 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers assaulted a Palestinian farmer; Fawzi Mahmoud Al Haj Mohammad (58 years), while he was working in his land in Jalud village, south of Nablus city, (Pal Info 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Authorities handed out military orders to demolish two houses and a structure in Duma village, southeast of Nablus city. The targeted houses are owned by: Iyad Dawabsha and Majdi Dawabsha. (Shasha News 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a number of main and rub-roads around 'Awarta village, south of Nablus city. (Orient FM 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) tried to confiscated a Palestinian bulldozer and a truck while they were working in land in Qusra village, south of Nablus city. The IOA assaulted and injured the owners of the bulldozer and truck. (Wafa 9 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured Hassan Khalid Al Qadi (26 years) from 'Awarta village, south of Nablus city, while he was near

Beit Furik military checkpoint, southeast of Nablus city. (Maannews 10 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched dozens of Palestinian houses in Beit Furik village, east of Nablus city. One of the targeted houses is owned by Bassam Nassralla, where the IOA summoned his son Yayha to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases. (Safa 14 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers hurled stones at Palestinian vehicles in Huwara village, south of Nablus city, causing the injury of Imad Salah and Majd Salah. (Wattan & Maannews 14 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed Huwara military checkpoint, south of Nablus city. The IOA stopped and detained Palestinian vehicles, checked ID cards and questioned Palestinians. (Maannews 14 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched tens of Palestinian houses in Beita village, south of Nablus city. (Wattan 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in Balata refugee camp, east of Nablus city. During the operation, an Israeli jeep ran over a Palestinian and injured him, identified as: Salah Abu Al 'Anad. (RB2000 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and searched areas and neighborhoods in Nablus city. (RB2000 15 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Birnat area at the eastern part of Mount Ebal, north of Nablus city, and performed Talmudic rituals. During the operation, the IOA forced Palestinians to leave the area. (Safa 16 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) imposed curfew on Huwara village, south of Nablus city, where the IOA forced Palestinians to close their commercial stores. The IOA also, closed Huwara and Za'tara military checkpoints, south of Nablus city. (Al-Quds 17 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Beita village, south of Nablus city. The IOA stopped and questioned Palestinians and checked ID cards. (Maannews 19 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) gathered at the entrance of Huwara village, south of Nablus city, chanted anti-Palestinian slogans and carried out provocative actions. (Pal Info 19 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed Huwara and Beit Furik military checkpoints in Nablus governorate, and closed Nablus- Yetzher road. (Maannews 19 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed with cement blocks the main entrance of Beita village, south of Nablus city, and prevented the movement of the Palestinians. (Al-Quds 20 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed with earth mounds the main entrance of Za'tara village, south of Nablus city. (Maannews 20 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a number of Palestinian houses in Ad-Dahiya neighborhood in Nablus city, and destroyed the windows and the doors. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired teargas grenades. (RB2000 22 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a number of roads in Huwara village, south of Nablus city, and occupied the roofs of a number of houses located at the main road in the village, and transformed the roofs to military points. (Pal Today & Wafa 22 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed with earth mounds the main entrance of Beita village, south of Nablus city. (Ramallah News 22 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and toured in several areas and neighborhoods in Madama village, south of Nablus city. (Pal Info 23 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Huwara village, south of Nablus city, and demonstrated in the village. Noted that the IOA closed Huwara military checkpoint. As a result, clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli settlers and the IOA, where the IOA fired stun grenades at Palestinians. During the clashes, the IOA arrested three Palestinians; one of the them identified as: Issam Zaki Al Huwari. (Safa & Wafa 24 June 2017)
- Israeli settlers living in Rechalim settlement set fire in 40 dunums of Palestinian agricultural land located between Yatma and Qabalan villages, south of Nablus city. As a result, hundreds of olive trees were torched. (ARN 24 June 2017)
- Israeli armed settlers closed the junction between Bazzariya and Burqa villages, northwest of Nablus city, and prevented Palestinians from crossing the junction. (Al-Quds 26 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) occupied a Palestinian building in Huwara village, south of Nablus city, informed the residents that the IOA will be

- in the building for the three days. The targeted building is owned by the sons of Doud As Salem Abu Farouq. (NBPRS 27 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched tens of Palestinians houses in Urif village, south of Nablus city. (Wattan 29 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in Iraq Burin village, south of Nablus city, and fired stun grenades at Palestinian houses. (Pal Info 30 June 2017)

The Gaza Strip (April 2017 - June 2017)

Israeli Violations in the Gaza Strip during the month of April 2017

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on Palestinian lands in the southern Gaza Strip. IOA deployed behind the border fence, in eastern Rafah city, opened fire at Palestinian agricultural lands in the area. No injuries were reported. (IMEMC 2 April 2017)
- Two armored Israeli bulldozers, three tanks and bulldozers, stationed at a military base across the border fence, invaded Palestinian agricultural lands, east of Jabalia, in the northern part of the coastal region, while Israeli planes also sprayed lands with toxins. The soldiers advanced approximately 300 meters into the lands, and started uprooting them, while firing many live rounds, forcing the Palestinians away, while military drones flew overhead. In addition, Israeli aircraft sprayed many areas of agricultural lands with toxins, in the eastern part of the besieged Gaza Strip, for the second consecutive day. The lands are planted with wheat, barley, Okra, melons, and several other types of plants that provided livelihood to many families. (IMEMC 5 April 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the northern coast of Gaza. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- Israeli military vehicles conducted a "limited incursion" onto lands in eastern Jabaliya in northern Gaza Strip, with Israeli military bulldozers leveling lands in the area. (Maannews 5 April 2017)
- Seven Israeli bulldozers entered dozens of meters into Beit Lahiya from the Israeli Zikim military site along the border with the besieged Gaza Strip. Israeli drones were also flying above the area at the time. (Maannews 6 April 2017)

- A number of Israeli military jeeps rolled at noontime into Palestinian lands north of Beit Hanun town, in northern Gaza Strip. Israeli bulldozers moved into Palestinian lands north of the blockaded Gaza Strip. Israeli drones were seen flying over the territory throughout the incursion. The infiltration is another chain in the series of Israel's violations of the truce deal struck with the Palestinian resistance in the wake of the Israeli offensive on the besieged coastal enclave of Gaza in the summer of 2014. (PALINFO 7 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers in al-Fakhari town, in southern Gaza Strip. Israeli patrols deployed at a military watchtower east of Khan Younis attacked Palestinian farmers in al-Fakhari town with gunfire. (PALINFO 10 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army closed off the access roads to the West Bank and Gaza Strip on the occasion of the Jewish Passover holiday. The closure is to remain in effect for one week so as to allow Israeli settlers to mark the seven-day Passover. Other Israeli military patrols have been deployed across flashpoints and main entrances to occupied Jerusalem and the West Bank. Palestinians will be denied access out of and into 1948 Occupied Palestine (Israel), the West Bank, and Gaza crossings all the way through the seven-day ban. At the early morning hours, the Israeli occupation authorities blocked off Beit Hanun (Erez) and Karem Abu Salem border crossings with Gaza. Families of Gazan detainees have also been banned from visiting their siblings in Israeli jails. The Israeli police further banned a number of Islamic activists from al-Aqsa Mosque over alleged intents to disrupt order and stand on guard to Israeli break-ins at al-Aqsa place of worship during the Passover. (PALINFO 10 April 2017)
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- Israeli authorities prevented the head of the Palestinian Federation of Chile, Anwar Makhlouf, who holds Chilean citizenship, from entering the country through the King Hussein (Allenby) Bridge border crossing between Jordan and the occupied West Bank. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians allegedly after attempting to cross the Gazan border into Israel's Eshkol Regional Council bordering the besieged enclave. The detainees were subsequently transferred to the Shin Bet, Israel's internal security agency, for interrogations. (Maannews 12 April 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) showered eastern al-Qarara in southern Gaza Strip with gunfire shortly before they kidnapped two Palestinian young men near the border fence. Israeli soldiers deployed at the Kissufim military base opened fire at eastern al-Qarara town, in eastern Khan Younis, at the same time as Israeli military patrols raked through Palestinian lands near the border fence, separating the blockaded Gaza Strip from 1948 Occupied Palestine (Green Line). (PALINFO 12 April 2017)
- A flock of Israeli military vehicles rolled into Palestinian lands east of Khan Younis, in southern Gaza Strip. Four Israeli military bulldozers launched a limited incursion into eastern Khan Younis, south of the blockaded Gaza Strip, and leveled the concrete blocks set up at Abu Rida gate. The Israeli bulldozers moved into Palestinian lands at the same time as three army tanks were stationed near the border fence. (PALINFO 13 April 2017)
- Israeli military vehicles staged a limited incursion in the southern besieged Gaza Strip. Five Israeli army bulldozers entered some ten meters past the border fence east of the city of Khan Yunis and started leveling lands, while Israeli drones were hovering overhead. (Maannews 13 April 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened fire on Palestinian fishermen off the coast of the northern Gaza Strip. The Israeli naval boats opened machine gun fire at fishing boats while they were sailing three nautical miles into the sea,

inside the boundaries of the six nautical mile limit set by Israel. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 14 April 2017)

- A number of Israeli military vehicles conducted a limited incursion into Palestinian lands east of al-Bureij refugee camp in the central Gaza Strip. Four Israeli military vehicles, including bulldozers, crossing though a gate in the border fence and proceed to level lands. No gunfire was reported. (Maannews 16 April 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the coast of Beit Lahiya in the northwestern Gaza Strip. Palestinian fishermen were forced to head back to shore "in fear for their lives," after Israeli forces opened fire at them. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- Four Israeli bulldozers coming from the Sufa military site east of Rafah city in southern Gaza passed the border area and razed and leveled lands near the border fence as drones were flying overhead. (Maannews 19 April 2017)
- A number of Israeli military vehicles launched a limited incursion into the eastern areas of Gaza's central governorate. Six Israeli military bulldozers rolled into eastern al-Bureij camp before they headed southwards. (PALINFO 20 April 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on Palestinian agricultural lands and shepherds in the southern and central Gaza Strip. The IOA opened fire on Palestinian shepherds while they were grazing their livestock along the eastern border area of Johur Addik, in central Gaza. No injuries were reported. The IOA also targeted agricultural land to the east of al-'Amour neighbourhood to the south east of Khan Younis city, in the southern Gaza Strip, with gunfire. (IMEMC 22 April 2017)
- Israeli navy boats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the coast of Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip, forcing the fishermen to head back to shore "in fear for their lives,". No injuries were reported. (Maanews 26 April 2017)
- Israeli military Army deployed east of Deir Balah, in central Gaza Strip, struck Palestinian sites with artillery shells. Two artillery shells were fired by the Israeli army causing heavy material damage. (PALINFO 27 April 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened live fire at Palestinian fishing boats and Palestinians off the coast of the northern Gaza Strip, near al-Sudaniyyeh and forced them back to the shore. (Maannews 29 April 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities will implement a closure on the occupied West Bank and besieged Gaza Strip beginning Saturday night for "Israel's independence day". The closure, will be in effect until Tuesday night. Severe restrictions on movement for Palestinians are typically implemented by Israeli authorities during Jewish holidays for alleged security purposes. (Maannews 29 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation army (IOA) infiltrated the borders with Gaza and razed agricultural land to the northeast of the town of Qarara, north of Khan Younis city, in the southern Gaza Strip. Israeli military patrols stationed along the borderline area infiltrated the borders between the besieged Gaza Strip and Israel, while firing in all directions, and razed land situated to the northeast of Qarara town. No injuries were reported. (WAFA 30 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation navy kidnapped two fishermen off the coast of the Gaza Strip and confiscated their boat. Israeli gunboats encircled and opened fire at a fishing boat off the northern shores of Gaza, rounded up two fishermen aboard it and towed it to an unknown place. The seized boat belongs to Adnan Abu Rayyala and the two detained fishermen are his sons, Sha'ban, 33, and Mohamed, 20. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened machinegun fire at a border watch post east of Deir al-Balah in central Gaza. Israeli troops opened fire intensively at the observation post. No one was injured. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army launched a limited incursion into eastern al-Qarara, south of the blockaded Gaza Strip. A number of Israeli army vehicles and bulldozers deployed at Kissufim military base moved into Palestinian cultivate lands east of al-Qarara town, north of Khan Younis. The Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian land lots all the way through the infiltration. (PALINFO 30 April 2017)

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 Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire on Palestinian fishermen and also carried out a limited incursion into Palestinian lands in the besieged Gaza Strip. Four Israeli bulldozers raided dozens of meters into the town of al-Fakhari east of Khan Yunis in southern Gaza and proceeded to level lands near the border fence, as drones flew overhead. Meanwhile, Israeli

naval forces opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats off the coast of al-Nuseirat in the central Gaza Strip, according to witnesses who said no one was injured in the incident. (Maannews 3 May 2017)

- In Nablus' Beita village, hundreds of Palestinians performed Friday prayers at the village's junction, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas, rubber-coated bullets, and sound bombs at Palestinian demonstrators, causing clashes to erupt in the area. two Palestinians were injured after being struck by rubber bullets, while 28 Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 5 May 2017)
- Five Israeli military vehicles set off from Israel's Kissufim military base and passed tens of meters beyond the border area, and proceeded to level lands east of Deir al-Balah in the central Gaza Strip. (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the coat of Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip allegedly for deviating from the designated fishing zone, prompting Israeli Naval forces to fire warning shots into the air. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 7 May 2017)
- A Palestinian fisherman, Muhammad Abu Rayala, was injured after Israeli naval forces opened fire on his boat while he was at the sea of Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip. Iraeli forces opened fire on a fishing vessel allegedly after it deviated from the designated zone. (Maannews 8 May 2017)
- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishermen off the coast of the besieged Gaza Strip in two separate incidents. The events came a day after Israeli forces shot and injured a Palestinian fisherman with live fire off the coat of Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip. (Maannews 9 May 2017)
- Israeli occupation drones sprayed pesticides on Palestinian crops along the border with Israel in central and southern Gaza. The pesticides, damage crops in the area, which is Gaza's main agricultural region.
- Israeli navy gunboats opened their machinegun fire at Palestinian fishermen and their boats off the northern Gaza coast. No casualties have been reported. The heavy shooting forced the fishermen to return ashore. (PALINFO 12 May 2017)
- Israeli naval forces obstructed a fishing boat off the coast of the northern Gaza Strip and detained three fishermen, who were all from al-Shati refugee camp in northern Gaza. They were identified as Muhammad Tariq Bakr, 22, Abdullah Sabri Bakr, 20, and Muhammad Said Bakr, 27. (Maannews 14 May 2017)

- Israeli military vehicles staged a limited incursion into Palestinian lands east of Deir Balah in the central besieged Gaza Strip. Four Israeli bulldozers set off from Israel's Kissufim military base and crossed some 50 meters past the border area and proceeded to level the lands. (Maannews 14 May 2017)
- Israeli naval forces detained six Palestinian fishermen overnight off the coast of the besieged Gaza Strip and confiscated two fishing boats. Israeli gunboats opened fire at several fishing boats, before obstructing one of the boats, taking the three fishermen on board into custody, and impounding their boat. The three were identified as Muhammad Amin Abu Warda and his brothers Yousif and Hussein. They were reportedly detained while sailing only three nautical miles from the shore and within Israel's unilaterally declared fishing zone. (Maannews 15 May 2017)
- A Palestinian fisherman who was shot and injured by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) off the coast of the besieged Gaza Strip earlier succumbed to his wounds. Muhammad Majid Bakr, a 23-year-old resident from the al-Shati refugee camp, was shot by Israeli naval forces at around 8:30 a.m. on Monday morning while fishing off the coast of Gaza with his brother Umran Majid Bakr. He had been shot in the chest, and was still bleeding when Israeli naval ships surrounded their fishing boat and detained Bakr. (Maannews 16 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinian fishermen off the coast of Al-Sudaniyeh, northwest of Gaza city. The Israeli naval boats opened machine gunfire at a number of Palestinian fishing boats before detaining three fishermen and seizing their boat. The fishermen were reportedly sailing about four nautical miles from the shore. Israel allows only three nautical miles of fishing area in the northern Gaza sea. This came hours after Israeli navy stopped a boat in the same area, detaining three fishermen, causing damage to fishing nets and seizing their boat. (WAFA 16 May 2017)
- Two Palestinian youths were injured with live bullets, fired by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during clashes that erupted near the Nahel Oz Israeli military site along the border of the central Gaza Strip. The IOA fired live fire and tear gas at Palestinians who were protesting in solidarity with hunger-striking prisoners and against the near-decade long Israeli siege imposed on the small coastal enclave. (Maannews 19 May 2017)

- In the Jabaliya refugee camp in northern Gaza, two Palestinians were injured with live fire near al-Shuhada cemetary, as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas at protesters and ambulances. (Maannews 19 May 2017)
- A Palestinian "youth" was injured during clashes in central Gaza, along the border with Israel, when Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) hot the Palestinian in the leg with live ammunition. The Palestinian, in his twenties, was injured during clashes east of the Bureij refugee camp, that had erupted after Palestinians took to the border to protest in solidarity with some 1,300 Palestinian prisoners, who entered their 36th day of hunger strike on Monday. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at the Kissufim military post northeast of Khan Yunis in southern Gaza opened fire at Palestinian farmers tending to their land near the Palestinian side of the border fence. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) operating at the Abu Muteibeiq military post opened fire at Palestinian farmland east of al-Maghazi refugee camp in the central Gaza Strip. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishermen off the coast of Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip, forcing fishermen to sail back to shore under the pretext that fishing boat deviated from the designated fishing zone. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian young men rallying on the eastern border of the Gaza Strip to protest the tight blockade imposed on the enclave. Dozens of young men rallied in different border areas near the security fence, particularly east of Khuza'a town in Khan Younis, east of al-Shuja'iyya neighborhood in Gaza City, and east of al-Bureij refugee camp in central Gaza. One young man suffered a bullet injury in the leg during his participation in a protest east of al-Bureij camp. (PALINFO 23 May 2017).
- A 16-year-old Palestinian boy was injured in shooting by Israeli soldiers stationed in military sites east of al-Bureij refugee camp in central Gaza Strip. The wounded boy was shot in his foot during clashes that erupted east of the refugee camp. (PALINFO 23 May 2017)
- A Palestinian teen was shot and injured by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during clashes that erupted in east of al-Bureij refugee camp in the "buffer zone" of the central Gaza Strip. A 17-year-old Palestinian boy was

- critically injured in the stomach with live ammunition. (Maannews 24 May 2017)
- In two weeks' time, Israel will cut over a quarter of the electricity it provides the Gaza Strip, the Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories (COGAT) announced. Every month, Israel provides the Gaza Strip with 125 megawatts of electricity, which costs NIS 40 million on average. Israel takes that sum out of the tax money it collects for the Palestinian Authority. Two months ago, the PA decided to stop paying that sum due to a power struggle with the Hamas government. The PA had demanded control over the Gaza Strip, including control over border crossings, as well as to receive the taxes Hamas collects from Palestinians in Gaza for services the PA provides. Hamas rejected these demands outright, leading Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas to gradually cut down on the services the PA provides the strip for as long as it has no control over the enclave. Hamas, meanwhile, formed a committee to govern the Gaza Strip instead of the Palestinian unity government that sits in Ramallah, which Hamas claims does not take care of the strip's needs. At first, the PA informed COGAT it was no longer willing to pay for Gaza's electricity. However it has recently softened its position, telling COGAT that starting next month it will pay NIS 25-30 million every month instead of NIS 40 million. As a result, Israel has decided to reduce the electricity it provides the strip accordingly. "Hamas prefers its own interests and those of its senior members," said GOCAT, Maj. Gen. Yoav Mordechai. "Every tunnel in the Gaza Strip has a generator, and only after that do the people get electricity. This failure is not ours. This is a conflict between Hamas and the PA. If Hamas decides the electricity will go to hospitals and civilians instead of Hamas members and Yahya Sinwar, the public in the Gaza Strip won't have a problem." Because of the electricity crisis in the strip, an average Palestinian home gets about six hours of electricity per day. (YNETNEWS 25 May 2017)
- In Khan Younis in the southern Gaza Strip, clashes erupted along the eastern border with Israel during demonstrations in support of the hunger strikers. Three Palestinians were injured with live bullets in their feet during clashes with Israeli occupation Army (IOA). (Maannews 26 May 2017)
- In the northern Gaza Strip, a Palestinian was also injured with a live bullet in his foot, while 15 others suffered from tear gas inhalation, including six medics, during clashes with Israeli occupation Army (IOA). A Palestinian

Red Crescent ambulance was also damaged by an Israeli tear gas canister. (Maannews 26 May 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian man in the northern besieged Gaza Strip. Israeli soldiers stationed across from the northern border between Gaza and Israel opened fire towards a 25-year-old Palestinian man as he was walking near the beach, injuring him in the leg. (Maannews 30 May 2017)
- A Palestinian fisherman suffered a bullet injury in his right leg when Israeli border soldiers unjustifiably opened fire from a border watchtower located northwest of Beit Lahia City, north of the Gaza Strip at him as he was aboard his boat off the shore of al-Sudaniya area, northwest of Gaza City. (PALINFO 30 May 2017)

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- Israeli bulldozers escorted by the Israeli Army staged 150 meters into the eastern part of Deir Al Balah city in the Gaza strip, and razed vast area of Palestinian land. (Wafa 1 June 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) staged few meters into Palestinian agricultural land, near the border fence, northeast of Al Qarara town, east of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (Maannews 1 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers escorted by the Israeli Army staged 150 meters into Palestinian agricultural land located near the border fence, east of Al Burij refugee camp in the Gaza strip, and razed vast area of land. (Wafa 2 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at As-Sudaniya and Al Waha shores, northwest of Gaza strip. (ARN 3 June 2017)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) near the border fence, east of Ash-Shuja'iya neighborhood, east of Gaza city. The IOA fired live bullets, causing the injury of a Palestinian. (Al-Quds 3 May 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers and shepherds while they were near the border fence, east of Al Khaza'a town, east of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (RB2000 4 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at As-Sudaniya shore, northwest of Gaza city, as a result, two fishing boats were damaged. (Orient FM 5 June 2017)
- Israeli bulldozers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) staged 100 meters into an area located between Ash-Shuja'iya and At-Tufah neighborhoods, east of Gaza city, and razed Palestinian lands. (Al-Quds 6 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers while they were working in their land, near the border fence, at Johr Ad-Dik area, southeast of Gaza city. (Raya 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at Khan Younis shore, southwest of Gaza strip. (Raya 7 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at Al Waha shore, northwest of Beit Lahiya town, north of Gaza strip. (Al-Quds 8 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) staged 70 meters into Palestinian land at the eastern part of Rafah city, south of Gaza strip, and razed Palestinian land. (Al-Quds 9 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian land located near the border fence, east of Al Khaza'a town, east of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (Pal Today 10 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers and shepherds while they were near the border fence, east of Johr Ad-Dik area, southeast of Gaza city. (RB2000 12 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers while they were working in their land, east of Al Burij refugee camp in the Gaza strip. (Safa 12 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at As-Sudaniya shore, northwest of Gaza city, and Al Waha shore, northwest of Beit Lahiya town. (Al-Quds 12 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) launched missiles at an open area, east of Johr Ad-Dik area, southeast of Gaza city. (Maannews 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Jeeps and bulldozers staged 200 meters into the eastern part of An-Nahda neighborhood, east of Rafah city, south of Gaza strip, an razed vast area of Palestinian land. (Safa 15 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian houses and land, located near the border fence, east of Deir AL Balah city in the central of Gaza strip. (RB2000 15 June 2017)

- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at Al Waha shore, northwest of Beit Lahiya city, and Deir Al Balah, Khan Younis and Rafah shores. (Al-Quds 18 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers while they were working in their land at the eastern part of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (Al-Quds 18 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at Al Waha shore, northwest of Beit Lahiya town, north of Gaza strip. (Al-Quds 19 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers while they were working in their land, near the border fence, east of Al Kaza'a town, east of Khan Younis city, south of the Gaza strip. (Al-Quds 19 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire and destroyed a Palestinian security tower, located near the border fence, east of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (RB2000 19 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at Khan Younis shore, southwest of Gaza strip. (RB2000 21 June 2017)
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- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian houses and land located near the border fence, east of Al Khaza'a and Al Fakhari towns, east of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (Al Ayyam 22 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) exploded a bomb near the border fence, east of Abbsan town, east of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (Orient FM 22 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers while they were working in their land near the border fence, at the eastern part of Gaza city. (RB2000 27 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at "Kissufim" military base, which located near the border fence, southeast of Deir Al Balah city in the central of Gaza strip, opened fire at Palestinian lands located near the border fence. (RB2000 27 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at As Sudaniya shore, northwest of Gaza city. (RB2000 27 June 2017)

- A temporary extension imposed by Israeli authorities, on the designated fishing zone off the coast of the Gaza Strip, expired on Sunday, reducing the zone to six nautical miles after it had been set to nine miles, for one week. Head of Gaza's fishermen union Nizar Ayyash told Ma'an News Agency that Israeli authorities, at midnight, confirmed to the union via the Palestinian Ministry of Agriculture that the zone would be reduced. (IMEMC 27 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian houses located near the border fence, east of Al Qarara town, northeast of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (Orient FM 29 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats while they were sailing at Al Waha shore, northwest of Beit Lahiya town, north of Gaza strip. (Wafa 29 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian farmers while they were working in their land, near the border fence, southeast of Deir Al Balah city in the Gaza strip. (Wafa 30 June 2017)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian land located near the border fence, at the eastern part of Al Qarara town, northeast of Khan Younis city, south of Gaza strip. (Wafa 30 June 2017)

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- Israeli authorities prevented the head of the Palestinian Federation of Chile, Anwar Makhlouf, who holds Chilean citizenship, from entering the country through the King Hussein (Allenby) Bridge border crossing between Jordan and the occupied West Bank. (Maannews 11 April 2017)
- Israeli Ofer court decided to release the Palestinian MP Samira Halaiqa on a bail. However, the Israeli prosecution appealed against the court's decision and demanded its reconsideration. The Israeli prosecution's appeal prevented Al Halayqa release for the second consecutive time. (PALINFO 11 April 2017)
- The Hebrew newspaper Haaretz revealed that the number of the Jews who migrated to Israel from the United States and France has sharply fallen in the recent months. 309 Jews arrived in Israel from the United States during the first three months of 2017, which is 25% less than the 413 immigrants who migrated to Israel in the same period in 2016. According to the Israeli Ministry of Immigrant Absorption, there was a 29% decline in the number of the Jews from France between January and March 2017. The number of the Jews who arrived in Israel reached 559, a number that

is considered high compared with other countries, but it is far lower than the number of the Jews coming from France in the same period in 2016, which amounted to 782. Overall, during the first three months of 2017, Israel has absorbed 5,311 Jews from all over the world, which is 6% less that the number of the immigrants who came in the same period in 2016. The only country that has an increasing percentage of immigrants is Russia. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)

- Israeli Occupation authorities announced that the occupied West Bank will be sealed by the Israeli military for more than a week this month to mark the Jewish holiday of Pesah. The closure begins at midnight on Sunday, April 9, until midnight on Monday, April 17th. All crossings between Israel, Gaza, and the West Bank would be closed "except for special circumstances and humanitarian cases." (Maannews 8 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) issued 24 administrative sentences against Palestinian detainees, with neither charge nor trial. The administrative sentences were issued for Prisoners Youssef Abdul Rahim Khatib, from Occupied Jerusalem, Mazen al-Natsheh and Fadi Sourour from Hebron, Ibrahim Dahbour, from Jenin, and Moussa Sawarka, from Bethlehem, along with Ramallah natives Kifah Kizmar and Mahmoud Namer, were all sentenced to a six-month administrative term. The others received four-month and three-month administrative sentences. (PALINFO 9 April 2017)
- Five volunteer jeep owners from settlements near Ma'aleh Adumim, east of Jerusalem, are watching the Bedouin encampments in the area to thwart any construction while Civil Administration inspectors are on Passover vacation. They answered the call of a group known as the Jerusalem Periphery Forum. According to a forum activist who asked to remain anonymous, the five are working in shifts of a few hours each. On weekends, when the Civil Administration inspectors are also off duty, Yariv Aharoni of Kfar Adumim, and the forum's coordinator of issues involving land, is the inspector. However, during Passover week, Aharoni is on partial vacation and so the forum called for volunteer backup. The Jerusalem Periphery Forum includes representatives of the settlements of Alon, Kfar Adumim, Nofei Prat and Mitzpeh Yeriho, and a representative of the Binyamin Regional Council. According to the activist, the forum works "against the illegal Palestinian-European construction in this area and along Route 1 between Jerusalem and the Dead Sea." Aharoni is the only member of the forum who is on salary. He also operates a

multicopter drone that the forum purchased a few years ago, and uses it to take aerial photos of the Bedouin encampments. According to the forum activist, during Purim vacation two years ago, the Bedouin put up 22 prefabricated dwellings in various encampments, which the official called "outposts." Those structures were donated by European organizations. After that, the forum decided to fund special manpower from the settlements to oversee what was happening in the encampments. The oversight, according to the forum activist, serves as a deterrent, even if not every structure built without a permit is discovered in real time. The volunteers in their jeeps immediately report any deviation to the Civil Administration and the police, so that even if someone built, it will be destroyed immediately without the need to be dragged to High Court of Justice petitions," he said. "The European Union also understands that this is a wasted investment for it and [its representatives] go build elsewhere," he added. According to the activist, the forum counts 2016 as a signal success because it was the first year ending with a net minus in the number of Bedouin structures erected – "20 fewer than in 2015." The activist said the forum was working "to increase enforcement of the Civil Administration and mainly to move the Bedouin to the permanent towns the state is planning for them. We work mainly through parliamentary and extra-parliamentary activities and public pressure. But in the end, it is the decision of the prime minister and the defense minister." About 20 Bedouin communities have been living for decades in the area east of Jerusalem, even before the settlements were founded. When the settlements were established, the Bedouin's herding space was restricted and some of the communities were expelled to allow the settlement of Ma'aleh Adumim to expand. Israel developed master plans for the settlements, but did not permit even one encampment to connect to water and electricity lines or build clinics and schools. Lacking a master plan, any structure, even a toilet or solar panels, is considered illegal. For the past decade, the Civil Administration has said it will be concentrating the Bedouin in permanent towns near the Palestinian Authority's jurisdiction, such as the town established near the Abu Dis garbage dump. The Bedouin oppose the move to permanent towns and the European Union has defined this plan, including demolitions and construction bans, as forced uprooting, which is prohibited by international law. (Haaretz 12 April 2017)

• Israel's top court ordered an immediate halt to any construction in the illegal outpost of Kerem Re'im in the central West Bank. This includes any

marketing or promotion of this illegal construction. Several dozen families live in the outpost, which lies near the settlement of Talmon, within the jurisdiction of the Binyamin Regional Council.

- According to the petition, filed by Peace Now, 20 additional illegal buildings are under construction at this outpost. In response to the petition Justice Yoram Danziger issued a stop-work order forbidding any further work in the buildings mentioned in the petition or any transactions related to these structures and their population.
- According to the petition, the state had previously promoted an urban building plan for the area but this was never completed. Peace Now says there are currently 38 structures on the site, in addition to the 20 under construction, and that the regional council is supporting and encouraging this outpost.
- For example, the petition notes the Facebook page of Binyamin Regional Council chairman Avi Roeh, who is also the head of the Yesha (Judea and Samaria) settlers council. There he describes a visit he conducted to the outpost with Knesset Speaker Yuli Edelstein.
- State attorneys asked that the petition be dismissed, stressing that the area on which the outpost stood was state-owned land, and that there was an earlier plan to retroactively legitimize the outpost. The state noted that all the illegal structures in the outpost were on state-owned land, and that many previous orders had been given to stop construction there, but none were heeded. (Haaretz 12 April 2017)
- Israel Prison Service (IPS) raided Section 10 of Nafha prison where they assaulted Palestinian prisoners and reportedly threw one prisoner in solitary confinement for "inciting prisoners" to join an upcoming mass hunger strike for Palestinian Prisoners' Day. The IPS forces raided the section and targeted Palestinian prisoner Nasser Salah, a resident of the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem who is serving a life sentence. The IPS forces assaulted Salah, who delivers the weekly Friday sermon to Muslim prisoners, and transferred him to solitary confinement after officials accused him of "inciting and encouraging prisoners" to join a mass hunger strike, organized by the Fatah movement, that is to be launched on April 17. (Maannews 14 April 2017)
- Maariv newspaper said that 200 Palestinian towns and villages in Area C
 of the West Bank suffer from serious water scarcity and are isolated from
 the Israeli water network. According to the Israeli newspaper, the water
 crisis in these Palestinian areas has coincided with shrinking water

resources in the Palestinian Authority territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. It highlighted the water crisis in Gaza, saying its network of water resources are collapsing, especially due to the increasing salinity levels in its aguifer as seawater are seeping in from the Mediterranean. Haaretz described the water problem in Gaza as one of the factors that would lead the fragile situation in the besieged enclave to explode. The Oslo Accords, which were signed between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), has granted Israel control over the West Bank's water sources and discriminates in how the water is divided. Under the agreements, Israel gets 80 percent of the water from the West Bank mountain aquifer (one of three underground resources shared by Israelis and Palestinians), while the rest goes to the Palestinians. The agreements also set no limit on the amount of water Israel can take, but limits the Palestinians to 118 million cubic meters from the wells that existed prior to the accords, and another 70 million to 80 million cubic meters from new drilling. However, for various technical reasons and unexpected drilling failures in the eastern basin of the aquifer (the only place the agreement allows the Palestinians to drill), the Palestinians produce less water than the agreements set. According to B'Tselem, as of 2014, the Palestinians are only getting 14 percent of the aquifer's water. (PALINFO 15 April 2017)

- Thousands of Palestinian detainees in Israeli jails are expected to go on a
 mass hunger strike on the 17th of April 2017 in protest at Israel's
 infringement of their human rights. A mass hunger strike is to kick off in
 Israeli jails to mark the Prisoner's Day and speak up against the Israeli
 crackdowns and torture tactics perpetrated against the Palestinian
 detainees. (PALINFO 16 April 2017)
- Israel's security services have used the internet to thwart hundreds of potential terror attacks in less than a year, with the Shin Bet security service and Military Intelligence stopping 2,200 Palestinians at various stages of planning and preparing for attacks, mostly stabbings and carrammings. The Israel Defense Forces and Shin Bet arrested more than 400 of these would-be perpetrators, and some were put on trial. The names of a similar number were passed on to the Palestinian Authority, which arrested them and warned them against planning attacks on Israel. The rest received warning conversations from the Shin Bet and IDF, or sometimes their parents did. For more information, click to read full report, (Haaretz 16 April 2017)

- More than 1,500 Palestinians -- including hundreds of women and middleand high-school students -- demonstrated in Bethlehem in support of the estimated 6,300 Palestinians currently held in Israeli Demonstrators expressed support for the "Freedom and Dignity" prisoner hunger strike which began earlier on Monday, bringing together as many as 1,600 prisoners from across the Palestinian political spectrum under the aegis of imprisoned Fatah leader Marwan Barghouthi. The march began at the Bab al-Zqaq intersection between Bethlehem and the town of Beit Jala, and made its way towards Israel's illegal separation wall north of Bethlehem. As a smaller number of demonstrators approached the Israeli military base located directly adjacent to Jerusalem-Hebron road in Bethlehem, Israeli soldiers fired tear gas, sound bombs, and spongetipped bullets towards the crowd. A number of demonstrators suffered from excessive tear gas inhalation. At least one Palestinian get hit by a sponge-tipped bullet, while another such bullet hit a truck which was trying to pass through the area. Israeli soldiers used "crowd control measures" to disperse a "violent riot" in Bethlehem. (Maannews 17 April 2017)
- Israeli Prison Service (IPS) officials took a series of punitive measures against the participating prisoners, particularly those leading the "Freedom and Dignity" prisoner hunger strike. The IPS officials forcibly moved hunger-striking prisoners to different sections in Israeli jails, confiscated their personal belongings and clothes, "turned their rooms into solitary confinements," and banned the prisoners from watching TV. The IPS officials transferred Marwan Barghouthi -- the Fatah movement leader leading the strike -- Karim Yunis and Mahmoud Abu Srour were transferred from Hadarim prison to solitary confinement in Jalama prison IPS officials also transferred hunger-striking prisoners Muhammad Zawahra, Nasser Ewis and Anas Jaradat to Israel's Ela prison in the southern Negev desert, though it remained unclear where they were transferred from. The IPS said that Barghouthi "will be prosecuted in a discipline court" as punishment for his op-ed published by the New York Times, which detailed the struggle of Palestinian political prisoners in Israeli prisons and the demands of the hunger strikers. For more information, click to read full report, (Maannews 17 April 2017)
- More than 1,600 Palestinian prisoners in Israeli custody launched an openended mass hunger strike on Palestinian Prisoners' Day, led by

imprisoned Fatah leader Marwan Barghouthi, under the banner of "Freedom and Dignity" for prisoners. Prisoners had purged all food products from their cells and shaved their heads in <u>Israel prisons from the north to the south</u>, namely in the Gilboa, Hadarim, Ashkelon, Ktziot, Nafha, and Ramon prisons. A mass hunger strike started calling for basic needs and rights of prisoners in an attempt to put an end to the practice of arbitrary administrative detention, torture, ill-treatment, unfair trials, detention of children, medical negligence, solitary confinement, inhuman/degrading treatment, deprivation of basic rights such as family visits and the right to education." For more information, click to read full report: (<u>Maannews</u> 17 April 2017)

Thousands of Christian followers of the Orthodox and Catholic faiths from all over the world, gathering at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem's Old City, celebrated Easter Holy Saturday with the emergence of the holy fire from the location of the tomb believed to be that of Jesus Christ. Only a few privileged Palestinian Christians, mainly those living in East Jerusalem or Israel, were able to attend the celebrations. Thousands of their brethren from the locked West Bank and Gaza Strip, only few kilometers away from Jerusalem, were not able to attend them. Israel does not allow Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza to reach the wall-in East Jerusalem without special army issued permits. As with every year, Israel issued a number of permits for West Bank and Gaza Christians to enter Jerusalem during Easter. But, then, it imposed a week-long closure on the occupied territories for the Jewish Passover holiday, which coincided with Easter celebrations, thus deeming all permits void for this week. At the same time, Israeli police set up blockades around the Old City of Jerusalem and the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, preventing thousands of pilgrims from reaching their holy sites. Greek Orthodox Patriarch Theophilos III emerged from the recently renovated tomb, known as the Edicule, with lit candle sticks to indicate the appearance of what Christians of all sects call the holy light. Once the patriarch has emerged from the tomb, the thousands waiting since the morning hours and carrying candles lit them from the holy fire. The light is then taken to churches around the country and the world. Christians marked, on Friday, the annual Easter Good Friday procession with thousands of pilgrims from all over the world congregating on Jerusalem to walk the path Jesus Christ had walked to his crucifixion. Easter will be celebrated

on Sunday. Orthodox and Catholic churches mark Easter, this year, at the same time when, usually, each mark it a different time from the other.

- Hundreds of Palestinian detainees in Israeli jails have been on an openended strike for the second consecutive day to protest ill-treatment by the Israeli wardens. Nearly 1,500 Palestinian detainees started an open-ended hunger strike on Monday to mark the Palestinian Prisoners Day and speak up for their infringed rights. The hunger strike also comes in response to the psycho-physical torture, preplanned medical neglect, solitary confinement, and arbitrary sentences Palestinians have been subjected to in Israeli lock-ups. In the meantime, the Israeli occupation authorities opted for a series of punitive measures to force the detainees to throw in the towel. A number of hunger strikers were transferred to isolated cells. A meeting of the Israeli security commission, chaired by Public Security Minister, Gilad Erdan, culminated in an agreement to subject every detainee who joins the hunger strike to exhaustive inter-prison transfers and a round of penalties. The commission further decided to step up search campaigns across Palestinian prison sections so as to force the detainees to succumb to pressure and halt the hunger strike. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) prevented lawyers from visiting Palestinian hunger strikers in Israeli jails to verify reported violations. The Israeli prison authorities at Gilboa jail banned the lawyers from visiting the Palestinian detainees, on the second day of the mass hunger strike in Israeli jails. The ban was issued under the pretext of the state of emergency imposed by the occupation authorities as of Monday, the first day of the mass hunger strike. The Israeli prison service claimed the detainees can neither stand on their feet nor move to visit halls. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- The Israeli occupation authorities prevented several Palestinian families from visiting their detained relatives in Israeli jails, on the second day of the mass hunger strike. Several families from across the occupied Palestinian territories have endured exhaustive trips, coming from so far away to see their jailed relatives, before they were updated on the ban. Nearly 1,500 Palestinian detainees started on open-ended hunger strike on Monday to mark the Palestinian Prisoners Day and protest the mistreatment they have been made to endure at the hands of the Israeli wardens. The ban falls in line with a series of castigatory measures

- adopted by the occupation authorities so as to force the detainees to concede defeat and cease the hunger strike. (PALINFO 18 April 2017)
- Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails are waging a mass hunger strike for the third consecutive day to protest their dire detention conditions. The mass hunger strike, which started as of April 17, comes in response to the mistreatment Palestinians have been subjected to in Israeli lock-ups. Some 1,500 prisoners joined the hunger strike to speak up against the Israeli visit-bans, medical neglect, solitary confinement, and administrative detention. The hunger strike follow-up committee warned of a series of punitive measures opted for by the Israeli prison service (IPS) so as to crack down on the detainees and force them to throw in the towel. (PALINFO 19 April 2017)
- Israeli authorities held increasing numbers of Palestinian children in solitary confinement for longer periods in 2016, for interrogation purposes. Defense for Children International Palestine collected affidavits from 161 West Bank children detained by Israeli forces and prosecuted under the jurisdiction of Israeli military courts during 2016. Of these children, 25 were held in solitary confinement for interrogation purposes for an average period of 16 days, a 23 percent increase over the previous year. The longest period of isolation for a child that DCIP documented in 2016 was 29 days. In 2015, DCIP documented a total of 15 children held in solitary confinement by Israeli authorities for interrogation purposes. The 25 children were all boys aged between 15 and 17 years old, including 17 children aged 17 years, 5 children aged 16 years, and three children aged 15 years. For more information, click to read full report: (DCIP 20 April 2017)
- Some 1,500 Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails are going on a mass hunger strike for the fifth consecutive day in order to protest their dire detention conditions. The mass hunger strike, which started on April 17, comes in response to the mistreatment Palestinians have been subjected to in Israeli lock-ups. Striking detainees were moved to isolation sections in several jails and were held under very tough conditions after withdrawing their private properties other than cover sheets and clothes. 70 striking captives were transferred to Ramleh Prison, 40 others to Hadarim jail and 30 to each of Nafha, Rimon and Ashkelon jails. The IPS is still banning lawyers from visiting the hunger strikers in order not to document the violations perpetrated in Israeli jails. (PALINFO 21 April 2017)

- FIFA's committee on the Israeli-Palestinian issue has recommended that the federation give the Israel Football Association six months to stop games in the settlements before deciding whether to suspend Israel or any of its teams. The panel recommended that FIFA take the decision during its annual congress in Bahrain on May 10-11. According to a draft report, a copy of which was obtained by Haaretz, the panel recommended that should Israel fail to comply, FIFA would then decide whether to suspend the country or the teams that play in the settlements from the federation. For more information, click to read full report. (Haaretz 23 April 2017)
- Israeli occupation authorities have notified Israeli travel agencies that they will be forced to sign a commitment pledging not to take groups of tourists to the occupied West Bank. In the Hebrew-language document dated April 23, the Border Control Department of the Israeli Population and Immigration Authority notifies travel agencies that as of May 15, Palestinians will have to "attach, with each request to bring a group of tourists into the country, a special form pledging that they will not send tourists to Judea and Samaria," using the Israeli term for the occupied West Bank. The document only addresses Israeli tourism agencies, and not individual would-be tourists. The forms must be signed and sent to one of three Population and Immigration Authority email addresses listed in the document. The document warns tourism agencies that their requests to bring groups of tourists would "not be processed" if the pledge was not signed and attached. For more information, click to read full article. (Maannews 25 April 2017)
- The head of the Civil Administration, Brig. Gen. Ahvat Ben Hur, issued a warning to the Arab residents of the village of Bardala that the Civil Administration and the Water Authority has launched an extensive enforcement operation to locate water thefts and to cut off illegal water connections to the village. The operation began following the theft of water by residents of the village, which affects all residents of the Jordan Valley. Water meant for Jewish farmers is siphoned off in the village, but Arab farmers suffer as well. "The villages of Bardala, Kardala and Ein Elbica receive 12,000 cubic meters of water from the Israeli side every day, of which 11,200 cubic meters a day are illegally stolen by Bardala residents," wrote Brig. Gen. Ben Hur. ""The meaning of this is that the villagers' water is stolen by no one other than the Palestinian residents themselves! The Civil Administration has begun a large-scale operation to combat this grave phenomenon. The Civil Administration, in the year

since Brig. Gen. Ben Hur assumed command, has formulated a long term plan, in cooperation with the Water Authority, which will provide a solution for all the residents. of the area and will include the expansion of water infrastructure and the operation of new wells. Within the framework of the plan, the Civil Administration approved the immediate operation of the Ariel, Jericho 5 and Booster water wells, which constitute an additional 19,000 cubic meters of water per day for the residents of Judea and Samaria. In addition, the Civil Administration is promoting additional solutions in the field, which are expected to be implemented before the summer. Sources in the Civil Administration say that the phenomenon of water thefts by residents of Bardala village significantly harms Israeli and Arab residents, and enforcement is expected to prevent thefts, which currently sit at 2.6 million cubic meters of water annually. Yehuda Reines, an Israei farmer in the Jordan Valley, told Arutz Sheva that as a result of the illegal water siphoning, many Jewish farms in the northern valley area were without water last week, leaving thousands of acres completely dry. (INN 26 April 2017)

According to data published by the Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS), the population increased by about 159,000 during the past year, an increase of 1.9%. Since the last Independence Day, 174,000 babies were born in Israel, 44,000 people passed away, and about 30,000 people immigrated. On the eve of the establishment of the State of Israel, the population of Israel stood at 806,000. According to predictions, by 2048-when the state celebrates 100 years of independence—the population of Israel is expected to reach 15.2 million. The Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS) also conducted a global demographic comparison between the number of Jews in 1948 and today. The data indicate that in 1948, the Jewish population in the world was 11.5 million, and only 6% lived in Israel. Today, 14.411 million Jews live around the world, of which 43% live in Israel. The Jewish population today stands at approximately 6,484,000 residents (74.7% of the total population). The Arab population is approximately 1,808,000 (20.8%) and the population of non-Arab Christians, people of other religions and people with no religious affiliation totaled around 388,000 (4.5%). According to CBS data, 75% of the Jewish population is comprised of native Israelis; 44% define themselves as secular; 24% are traditional or not very religious; 12% are observant; 11% are religious, and 9% are ultra-Orthodox. Among non-Jews, the picture is different: the majority (52%)

are religious; 21% define themselves as secular; 23% are not so religious, and 4% are extremely religious. The largest city is still Jerusalem, home to about 865,700 residents. The smallest town is Neve Zohar in the Tamar Regional Council, which has 71 residents. In 1948, there was only one city in Israel with more than 100,000 residents—Tel Aviv. Today, 14 cities number more than 100,000 residents, of which eight have more than 200,000 residents: Jerusalem, Tel Aviv-Yaffo, Haifa, Rishon LeZion, Petah Tikva, Ashdod, Netanya and Be'er Sheva. In 1948, there were only two institutions of higher education in Israel (the Hebrew University and the Technion), whereas today, there are 63, including nine universities and 33 colleges. (YNETNEWS 1 May 2017)

The Israeli government will spend about 43 million shekels (\$12 million) to build and operate a memorial in the West Bank to assassinated cabinet minister Rehavam Ze'evi, the cabinet decided this week... The cabinet resolution describes the memorial as a "tourist, educational and cultural" enterprise with a focus on knowledge of the Land of Israel and Israeli heritage. The memorial will also "link Samaria and the Jordan Valley to his legacy," the document said, using the Hebrew term for the northern West Bank. Government agencies will settle the final guidelines for the memorial in coordination with the Ze'evi family. The document says the government will earmark 26 million shekels for the site's construction and another 17.5 million shekels to run it for the next five years. This is the third time the cabinet has passed a resolution on memorializing Ze'evi. In 2008, it decided to erect a memorial for him in Neveh Ilan near Jerusalem, but protests led to the cancellation of this decision in 2011. Next it decided to rename a memorial to the pre-state Palmach militia in his honor, but that move was annulled after Palmach veterans objected that Ze'evi, though a Palmach member, never fought at Sha'ar Hagai, where the memorial is located. The original decision to memorialize Ze'evi, a former major general and advocate of the idea of "voluntarily transferring" Palestinians from the West Bank, was made in a special law passed in 2005. To implement the law, a public council was established under the auspices of the Prime Minister's Office. Since then, various places have been named after Ze'evi including a highway, an overpass, a park, a square, a military base and several streets. But the decision to memorialize Ze'evi has been controversial for many reasons in addition to his political views. These include a report last year by Channel 2 television's investigative reporting program "Uvda," which claimed that he sexually assaulted women and had ties with criminals. (Haaretz 2 May 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation authorities (IOA) prevented the Adhan (call for prayer) for 65 times in the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron city in April. The Awkaf (endowment) department officials in Herbon stated that the Adhan was banned for 65 times over the past month for "annoying" Israeli settlers present in the occupied part of the Mosque. The settlers hoisted the Israeli flags over the Mosque in total provocation to Muslims' religious feelings and in flagrant violation of the international norms and laws that preserve freedom of worship for all religions. (PALINFO 3 May 2017)
- Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu says he will withhold \$1 million in payments to the United Nations following a resolution adopted by its cultural agency that he says diminishes Jewish ties to Jerusalem. Netanyahu called the UNESCO resolution "absurd" and said the agency's "systematic harassment" of Israel had a price. Speaking at a Cabinet meeting, Netanyahu says Israel will not sit idly by as a UN organization tries to negate its sovereignty in Jerusalem. (YNETNEWS 4 May 2017)
- Minister of Justice Ayelet Shaked and Tourism Minister Yariv Levin are promoting a measure that would apply all Israeli governmental legislation to the West Bank as well as Israel proper. Currently, Israeli law does not apply in the territories. Instead, the GOC Central Command, who is the ex officio sovereign in the conquered territory, applies some laws to the Israeli residents by means of military orders. According to the directive promoted by the ministers, every governmental law would automatically become an order issued by the general officer commanding. Shaked and Levin, who head the Ministerial Committee on Legislation, decided to distribute the directive to all government ministers ahead of the Knesset's summer session and the start of the committee's work. According to the new directive, before the ministerial committee discusses a government bill, it would examine its effect on the Jewish residents of the territories to make sure that their legal position is appropriately during the legislative process. "It is impossible to accept a situation in which Israeli law does not address the 430,000 citizens of the State of Israel living in Judea and Samaria," Shaked, a member of the Bayit Yehudi party, said. "Judea and Samaria are not Israel's backyard, and from now on (the) ministerial committee will ask to clarify, with respect to every government law at its table, how the initiating ministry intends to treat the settlers." Her Likud peer added, "The settlement of Judea and Samaria is a fait accompli; it is not a temporary or transitory thing. The time has come for the State of Israel to treat all its citizens equally and apply all the same laws. "The measure we are leading will put an end to the blatant discrimination and

- the disregard by the laws of the State of Israel against the regions of the homeland and the Israeli citizens living there." (INN 5 May 2017)
- An Israeli cabinet committee approved a contested bill seeking to enshrine Israel's status as a Jewish state into the country's central legislation. The Ministerial Committee for Legislation voted unanimously to move the "Jewish State" bill -- which is also being referred to as the "Nationality" or "Nation State" bill -- to a preliminary vote in the Knesset, Israel's parliament. The bill declares that Israel is "the national home of the Jewish people," and that "the right to realize self-determination in Israel is unique to the Jewish people," It would also revoke Arabic's status as an official state language, despite 20 percent of Israeli citizens being Palestinians, downgrading it to "special status in the state" while stating that "its speakers have the right to language-accessible state services." Other sections of the bill addressed Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, illegal Jewish settlements, the status of holy sites, and non-Israeli Jews' right to obtain Israeli nationality. The bill states that "every resident of Israel, without distinction of religion or national origin, is entitled to work to preserve his culture, heritage, language and identity," while affirming that "the state may allow a community, including members of the same religion or national origin, to have separate communal settlements." for more information, click to read full article (Maannews 8 May 2017)
- The new version of the nation-state bill has passed its preliminary round of voting in the Knesset. Forty-eight lawmakers voted for the bill and 41 voted against it after heated discussion. The controversial bill revokes Arabic as an official language, holds that Israel is "the national home of the Jewish people" and that the right to realize self-determination in the state is unique to them. The Ministerial Committee for Legislation voted in favor of the bill on Sunday. Avi Dichter (Likud), the sponsor of the new version of the bill, called the decision "a major step in establishing" the Jewish identity of members of the faith in Israel and around the world. The bill doesn't subordinate democracy to the state's Jewish character, as did a previous version. It also states that "the national language [of Israel] is Hebrew" and downgrades the status of Arabic to "a special status in the state," adding that "its speakers have the right to language-accessible state services." If the nation-state bill is enacted, it would become a basic law, joining the central body of legislation that equivalent to Israel's constitution. The bill was blasted by Israel's opposition and Meretz Chairwoman Zehava Galon called the bill "a declaration of war against

Israel's Arab citizens and against Israel as a democratic and properly governed society." Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu defended the bill, saying, "there is no contradiction between the law and equal rights for all of Israel's citizens." (<u>Haaretz</u> 10 May 2017)

- Attorney Harel Arnon, who is representing the state in an appeal against the "Expropriation Law" allowing Israel to retroactively approve illegal construction on private Palestinian land in the West Bank, is illegally building a home in the settlement of El'azar in Gush Etzion. The home is being built outside of the settlement's development plans, on land claimed for military use. The Israeli Civil Administration that oversees the West Bank and is responsible for allocating land in El'azar, confirmed that the home is being constructed illegally and that development plans have designated the property for the building of a public square. This designation meant that the land was never declared as state-owned land and has remained a military expropriation since the '70s. To read full report, click here, (Haaretz 10 May 2017)
- The Israeli Knesset approved initially the so-called nationality law or the Jewish state law proposed by right-wing MK Avi Dichter, from Likud party. The law passed its initial reading by a majority of 48 to 41 and will be transferred to the Knesset constitution and law committee to be drafted for vote in its first reading. The law legislates Israel's status as the national home of the Jewish people, emphasizes that Hebrew is the official language of the state and states that (Occupied) Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics revealed that Jewish settlements flood the West Bank with 40 million cubic meters of wastewater annually. The annual production of wastewater in the West Bank, however, is 34 million cubic meters. In a report issued on the 69th anniversary of the Palestinian Nakba, the Bureau said that Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) intentionally try to damage the Palestinian environment with wastewater of illegal settlements in the West Bank. Only 10% out of 90% of wastewater in the West Bank settlements are treated. The IOA disposes 80% of untreated sewage in the Palestinian valleys, the report elaborated. The IOA also bans the establishment of wastewater treatment plants in the Palestinian towns, the report pointed out. (PALINFO 11 May 2017)
- The Knesset ministerial legislation committee is to convene on Sunday to discuss the approval of a new Likud bill calling for preventing Israeli leftist organizations from filing legal complaints or petitions with the high

court of justice on behalf of Palestinian citizens. The bill proposes making an amendment to basic legislation in order to ban left-wing organizations in Israel from going to the high court of justice to defend rights taken from Palestinians, especially with regard to lands seized by Israel and Jewish settlers. The bill, which was submitted by right-wing Likud MK Miki Zohar, needs to be approved by the ministerial committee for legislation at the Knesset before it is tabled for vote in the plenum hall. The bill is voted into a law after passing three readings. (PALINFO 13 May 2017)

- Israeli minister of intelligence and transportation Yisrael Katz intends to propose, during his meeting with US president Donald Trump in late May, the establishment of an artificial island off the coast of the Gaza Strip. Such proposal is seen as an Israeli attempt to show its goodwill towards the peace process, according to Israeli media outlets. Israel's 2nd Channel said, for its part, on Friday that the establishment of such an island for the Palestinians in Gaza would be a proposal that Trump might like to hear because of his willingness to restart the peace talks between the Palestinians and Israelis. The channel added that the Israeli leadership believes that the construction of such an island would contribute to the resumption of peace negotiations. In a related context, the channel said that a US delegation from the White House arrived in Tel Aviv on Friday to discuss matters related to Katz's visit to Washington, "especially since Israel does not like to receive surprises and diktats from Trump." The channel also said that the Gaza island project would include the establishment of air and sea ports under Israeli and international control, without providing further details. (PALINFO 13 May 2017)
- Despite its misleading name, The United Jerusalem Fund is not a charity organization. Nor is it a right-wing group or an offshoot of a political party. The United Jerusalem Fund is a construction company in every way. The so-called fund, an entirely for-profit entity headed by Gad Gabriel, advances projects like the new settlement of Mitzpeh Yehuda, also called Givat Adumin, on a hill adjacent to Ma'aleh Adumin in the West Bank. The company's officials point to a government decision from the 1980s calling for a settlement on the spot, but no concrete government plans for such a settlement exist, and promises to build there are ephemeral. Meanwhile, the company markets the land it owns on the hill, offering buyers building rights in the settlement, should it one day come into existence. Every parcel of land for sale is worth 130,000 shekels (\$36,000) according to the company's prospectus, but its value will soar to 315,000 shekels if it will suddenly become possible to build there. By way

of assurance, the company shows the deed of commitment from the previous Gush Etzion council head, Davidi Perl, verifying that the company purchased some 417 dunams in the area and promises that the council "encourages the advancement of planning and development of the parcel." It also "aspires for the parcel to be approved according to every residential and building law." But promises are one thing and reality is another. Meanwhile, designating this hill for a new settlement seems far in the future. Clearly, the company's interest in preparing the ground for building is that doing so will transform it from selling plots near Ma'aleh Adumim into building units on 417 dunam. The company has been lobbying politicians in the Knesset to allow construction. Dozens of lawmakers have signed the letter of support passed around by the United Jerusalem Fund. At first glance, the petition seems like a declaration by a right-wing organization or a regional council. "We see it as an obligation, right and mission to provide Israeli citizens with attainable housing solutions, and support every enterprise making this possible," it reads. "We support the Israeli government's 1984 decision to build Mitzpeh Yehuda ... to help thousands of families to find affordable housing in the suburbs of the capital, Jerusalem." Signatories include Regional Cooperation Minister Tzachi Hanegbi, Science Minister Ofir Akunis and Ayoub Kara, a minister in the Prime Minister's Office; Deputy Interior Minister Yaron Mazuz; and many legislators from Likud, Habayit Hayehudi, Shas, United Torah Judaism and Kulanu. A partial list includes Yoav Kish, Oren Hazan, Avraham Nagosa, Michael Malkieli, Yaakov Asher, Uri Maklev, Yoav Ben-Tzur, Moti Yogev, Menachem Eliezer Moses, Yitzhak Vaknin, Akram Hasoon, Miki Zohar, Sharren Haskel and Shuli Moalem. If the lobbying proves effective, the lawmakers will discover that they didn't support a right-wing organization but instead made Gad Gabriel much richer. (Haaretz 14 May)

• Lawmakers for United Torah Judaism have told the heads of the Knesset coalition that they will not vote for the so-called Jewish nation-state bill. Sources in the party told Haaretz that their opposition was twofold: The bill is slated to become a Basic Law, and UTJ opposes the passage of new constitutional laws. In addition, the party's Knesset members are concerned that the interpretation of the proposed law by the High Court of Justice would negatively affect UTJ's ultra-Orthodox constituency. The bill states that Israel is the "national home of the Jewish people" and that the right to self-determination in Israel is unique to the Jewish people. "In the matter of the nation-state bill, there are issues that are sensitive for us

in terms of values. We shouldn't be taken by surprise. We asked that continued legislation be coordinated with us," said a source in UTJ who asked not to be identified. In light of the ultra-Orthodox opposition, the Ministerial Committee for Legislation decided to postpone voting on the version of the bill that was drawn up by MK Shuli Moalem-Refaeli of Habayit Hayehudi. The bill's formulation would subordinate Israel's democratic character to its Jewish identity. The bill states that Jewish law will be a source of inspiration for the Knesset as it enacts laws, and for judges in their rulings. Sources in the coalition confirmed that the bill's progress had stalled due to the opposition of Haredi legislators. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu reportedly instructed coalition chairman David Bitan on Sunday to abandon the version of the bill that was approved last week by the Ministerial Committee for Legislation as a government-sponsored bill. It was to be presented to the Knesset in about two months' time for a first reading, with expedited second and third readings. That version of the draft law was initially introduced by Likud MK Avi Dichter, as a private member's bill. Netanyahu's move sowed confusion on Sunday in the coalition, whose members had different assessments as to which version of the bill was to advance. "We'll move ahead on Dichter's bill. There will be changes in it of course, but that's only on condition that the Haredim remove their opposition," Bitan said. Bitan said he did not know whether the coalition would move to amend a controversial clause in Dichter's version of the bill, which downgrades the status of the Arabic language in Israel. However, according to another source in the coalition, the government-sponsored bill was still on the table and was based on a more extreme formulation proposed by Justice Minister Ayelet Shaked (Habayit Hayehudi) and Tourism Minister Yariv Levin (Likud) a few years ago. "The Justice Ministry will formulate a version of the government bill and only then will we decide whether to move the bill ahead as a private member's bill or a government bill," the source said. (<u>Haaretz</u> 15 May 2017)

• Only 639 homes built for Jews in east Jerusalem between 2012 and 2016. Over the last 50 years, Jerusalem's Jewish population has grown by 174% while Arab population has grown by 374%, research finds. Less than a week before U.S. President Donald Trump is set to arrive in Israel for an official visit, the Jerusalem Institute for Policy Research revealed new data that shows the substantial scope of the settlement freeze in Jewish communities beyond the Green Line. According to the data, revealed here for the first time, between 2012 and 2016, 6,750 apartments were built in

west Jerusalem, while only 639 were built in areas annexed to the city after 1967 (editor's note: not including the Har Homa neighborhood in the east of the city, where between 700 and 1,000 apartments were built). Currently, approximately 205,000 people reside in the Jewish neighborhoods of eastern Jerusalem. The findings illustrate the effect of American pressure exerted on Israel under former U.S. President Barack Obama and the drastic decrease in construction in liberated areas of Jerusalem over the past five years. Despite recent reports to the contrary, the construction freeze in the Greater Jerusalem area remains in effect in the Givat Hamatos, Ramat Shlomo, Atarot and Shimon Hatzadik neighborhoods, as well as the West Bank community of Maaleh Adumim. Israel Hayom has learned that 50,000 Arabs in Jerusalem were previously not counted in municipal statistics -- mainly those residing north Jerusalem Arab neighborhoods beyond the security barrier. This means that the Jewish majority in the city does not in fact comprise 67% of the population -- the percentage noted in official data -- but rather 59%. The Arab population does not comprise 37%, but rather 41% of the city's population. The data pertaining to the 50,000 Arab residents was confirmed by Dr. Maya Choshen and Yair Assaf-Shapira from the Jerusalem Institute. According to a forthcoming statistical abstract from the institute, the Jewish population has grown by 174% in the last 50 years, while the Arab population grew at twice that rate -- 374% -- in the same time span. Secular Jews account for 20% of the city's population. Despite its high birth rate, the haredi Jewish population in Jerusalem has remained stable and comprises a third of the population. Over a third of Jerusalemites who move away from the city each year do so as a result of rising prices in the local real estate market. (<u>IsraelHayom</u> 16 May 2017)

• The cabinet is expected to approve next week the proposal of Housing and Construction Minister Yoav Galant, Tourism Minister Yariv Levin and Deputy Housing and Construction Minister Jackie Levy to build an elevator and underground passages in orcer to make the Western Wall and the Jewish Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem more accessible. The complex engineering project will allow elderly and disabled people to reach the holy site and the Jewish Quarter more easily and safely. According to Ministers Galant and Levin, the project - which will cost NIS 50 million (\$14 million) - is necessary because of the Jewish connection to the Western Wall and the Old City. In addition to Ministers Galant and Levin, the government ministries of Zeev Elkin, Miri Regev, Gila Gamliel

and the National Insurance Institute will also participate in financing the project. According to the plan, the elevator shaft will be approximately 33 meters (108 feet) from top to bottom. It will begin at the level of the Jewish quarter on Misgav Ladakh Street, and will descend to the level of the Western Wall. There will also be a 65 meter (213 feet) pedestrian tunnel connecting the exit from the elevator to The Western Wall at the security checkpoint. Galant said that "Jewish values begin at the Western Wall - the heart of the Jewish people. At a time when there are those who try to undermine the Western Wall's connection to the Jewish people as well as Israeli sovereignty, my colleagues and I are proud to lead the process of strengthening the presence of all Jews in this holy place, including making provisions for the elderly and the disabled." (INN 19 May 2017)

- The Israeli government is expected to approve next week a plan for the construction of an elevator leading from Misgav Ladakh Street in Jerusalem's Old City's Jewish Quarter to the Western Wall at an estimated cost of NIS 50 million. Included in the plan is the construction of a 65meter pedestrian tunnel connecting the exit from the elevator to the security checkpoint at the Western Wall Plaza. The ground floor, which has a planned surface area of 158 square meters, will be lined with shops. In the future, with the construction of an underground railway station to the Western Wall, escalators will be installed leading to the railway station. As part of the project, an additional floor with an area of 335 square meters will be built above the entrance level that will include a hall for activities and conferences. The project will be implemented through the Ministry of Construction and Housing's Company for the Reconstruction and Development of the Jewish Quarter in the Old City of Jerusalem. The company may also be responsible for maintenance of the elevator. The project will be defined as a "national accessibility project" since it will also allow people with disabilities to easily reach the holy site. The project was initiated by Housing and Construction Minister Yoav Galant, his deputy Jackie Levy and Tourism Minister Yariv Levin. Most of the project will be financed from the budgets of their ministries. (<u>YNETNEWS</u> 20 May 2017)
- Jewish reverse immigration rates from occupied Jerusalem have notably increased over 2016. Israeli Channel 10 reported that more than 18,000 Israeli settlers have left the holy city over 2016, 46% of those aged between 20 and 34. The majority of Israeli settlers living in occupied Jerusalem feel less secure in the city streets as 71% of those aged 20 and over feel unsafe walking alone in their neighborhoods at dark. (PALINFO 27 May 2017)

• Peace Now's annual construction report reveals a 34% increase in construction starts throughout the West Bank during 2016, in comparison to same period in 2015. During 2016 the expansion of settlements occurred through a variety of methods, including the construction of housing units and public structures – legal and illegal – the construction of a new bypass road, the approval of a new settlement, the establishment of two illegal outpost, the declaration of "state lands" and expansion of municipal jurisdictions. The trends of 2016 illustrates that while Netanyahu attempts to illustrate restraint in order to save face among the international community, on the ground construction is not only ongoing but also increasing, mainly in the most problematic areas for a future agreement. If the Israeli government is interested in a two-state solution, it must seize acting unilaterally in a way that makes the solution much more difficult to achieve.

Construction Starts

- 1,814 New housing units began construction, an increase of 34% to a parallel time period in the previous year (1,350 housing units).*
- Nearly 70% (1,263 housing units) of the new construction was in settlements east of the proposed Geneva Initiative border, i.e. settlements that are likely to be evicted in a two states agreement.
- Over 26% (474 housing units) of the new construction was in areas that are east of the route of the separation barrier.
- 6% (114 housing units) of the construction was in illegal outposts.
- At least 10% (183 housing units) of the construction was illegal according to the Israeli laws applied in the occupied territories.
- The vast majority of the new construction, almost 94% (1,700 housing units), was for permanent structures, while that the remainder 6% (114 housing units) were new housing units in the shape of mobile homes both in outposts and in settlements.
- 42 new public buildings (such as schools, synagogues etc.) started to be built, alongside 23 structures for industry or agriculture.

Advancement of Plans (Jan-Dec 2016)

• 2,657 Housing units were advanced through promotions of plans for settlements.

- Almost 60% (1,540 housing units) of the units were east of the proposed Geneva Initiative border.
- Nearly 40% (1,026 housing units) of the units were east of the route of the separation barrier.
- 580 housing units were published for validation (final approval of a plan). Of those, nearly 75% (432 housing units) were east of the border proposed by the Geneva Initiative and over 50% (293 housing units) were east of the route of the separation barrier.
- Tenders were published for 365 housing units, of which 323 in East Jerusalem and 42 in West Bank settlements (in Kiryat Arba settlement).

Further Significant Settlement Developments in 2016:

- Two new outposts were established in the north part of the Jordan Valley.
- Construction of a new road to bypass the Palestinian village of a-Nabi Eliyas (near Qalqiliya) began on lands confiscated from Palestinians.
- 2,342 dunams were declared as "state lands" south of Jericho.
- The Gush Etzion municipality's jurisdiction was extended in order to include a new settlement site, "Beit Al-Baraka", located apposite of Al-Aroub Refugee Camp.
- Advancement of a new settlement, Shvut Rachel East, under the pretence of a neighbourhood, deep in the West Bank.
- A new industrial area, west of Ramallah, and close to the Green Line, was approved. TO READ FULL REPORT, <u>CLICK HERE</u>.
- Two Israeli Knesset members have been advancing a new project to annex Maaleh Adumim and Gush Etzion settlements to occupied Jerusalem. According to Maariv Hebrew newspaper, the MKs Yehuda Glick (Likud) and Betzalel Smotrich (the Jewish Home) are scheduled to submit their proposal for Knesset discussion on Monday. The proposal aims to connect the illegal Maaleh Adumim and Gush Etzion settlements to the occupied holy city of Jerusalem. On Dec. 23, 2016, the UN Security Council has voted in favour of a resolution demanding the halt of settlement activity by Israel on occupied Palestinian territory with the United States notably abstaining. (PALINFO 29 May 2017)
- Human Rights Watch (HRW) has accused Israel of seeking to make the Palestinian natives of Occupied Jerusalem a minority in their own city by stepping up the demolition of their homes. "[Israeli] municipal planning documents have had the stated goal of ensuring that Palestinians are a minority in the city," HRW said in a recent report. According to the

international rights group, the UN has estimated that 90,000 Palestinians in east Jerusalem live in homes without permits. "Many Palestinians in east Jerusalem could not obtain a building permit for their homes. Israel has zoned only about 12 percent of the land there for Palestinian residential construction, and most of the zoned area is already overcrowded. By contrast, Israel has zoned 35 percent of the land in east Jerusalem for Jewish settlement construction." One of those Jerusalemite homeowners is called Ashraf Fawaqa who was forced to pay 60,000 shekels (US\$17,000) in fines for having built his home without a permit. When he received the demolition order in 2017, he paid another fine of 25,000 shekels (\$7,000) to obtain a delay order from an Israeli court in order for his family to have a home when his wife gave birth. On May 4, his time ran out. At a court hearing that day, a Jerusalem district court judge ruled that the freeze on the demolition of Fawaqa's home had expired, allowing a municipal wrecking crew to raze the house to the ground on the same day. Under Israeli law, Fawaqa will have to pay more thousands of shekels to cover the cost of demolishing his home. He and his family, including four children, now live in a tent pitched beside the rubble of their house. On May 4, the Israeli occupation authorities demolished nine other Palestinian buildings in east Jerusalem. In 2016, Israeli demolitions left 254 Palestinians homeless, around half of them children. In most cases, the pretext of unlicensed construction were used to justify the demolitions. "The international law of occupation, which applies to east Jerusalem, prohibits the destruction of property except for reasons of military necessity. For decades, Israeli officials have violated these prohibitions with impunity. Families like the Fawaqas are paying the price," HRW stated. (PALINFO 29 May 2017)

• The Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that Israel must maintain its military control over the West Bank in the event of a peace agreement with the Palestinians. "The idea that we can give up territory and achieve peace is not right," Netanyahu told Army Radio in a pre-Shavuot holiday interview. "In order to assure our existence we need to have military and security control over all of the territory west of the Jordan [River]," he said, reaffirming his commitment to a policy that is rejected by Palestinians, who seek a full Israeli withdrawal from the territory. In the radio interview, Netanyahu asserted the root of the conflict lies not with Israeli settlements in the West Bank, but rather in Palestinian intransigence regarding recognition of Jewish rights to any part of the land. Netanyahu's comments came after visiting US President Donald

Trump last week impressed on the prime minister and Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas that he is determined to work on a peace agreement. "It is not because of the territories and the settlements," Netanyahu said, noting the history of conflict between Jews and Arabs in the area from 1920, long before the establishment of Israel in 1948 and the capture of the West Bank in 1967. Even before 1967, the Arabs "wanted to get rid of us from Tel Aviv, and after we pulled out of Gaza [in 2005] they [still] want to get rid of us from Tel Aviv," Netanyahu said. The prime minister said that when Israel proposed to the Palestinians that it relinquish all the territory they want as long as they give up on the socalled right of return for Palestinians who fled in 1948, "they squirm in their seats and are not prepared to give an answer." "The root of this problem was and still is that continued refusal by the Palestinians to recognize Israel as a the homeland of the Jewish people in any borders," Netanyahu said. Israeli seek peace, but the Palestinians are stuck in their attitude of "not setting up a state but rather negating the existence of a state, the Jewish state," the prime minister insisted. As soon as that is changed, "then there is hope for peace, because you can't build peace on a foundation of lies," he said. "There is no nation that knows the price of war more than we do - we want a real peace," Netanyahu added. In the interview, Netanyahu also reiterated that moderate Arab states were coming around on Israel. Peace, he assessed, is more likely to come after ties between Israel and other parts of the Arab world are improved. There is a change happening. Not necessarily with the Palestinians but in some parts of the Arab world they are understanding that Israel is not the enemy," he said. Arab states are internalizing that Israel is an ally against the threats of Iran and of the Islamic State terror group, he said. On his May 22-23 visit to Israel, Trump reiterated that he was seeking to broker an Israeli-Palestinian accord. While Netanyahu highlighted his skepticism about Abbas's readiness for a deal, the prime minister did tell Trump that "for the first time in many years - and, Mr. President, for the first time in my lifetime — I see a real hope for change." For his part, Trump was adamant in his final speech at the Israel Museum on Tuesday that Abbas and the Palestinians "are ready to reach for peace." In the days before and since Trump's visit, some media reports claimed that moderate Arab states — led by Saudi Arabia — are prepared to offer some improvement in ties with Israel, though not recognition, in return for restarting peace talks with the Palestinians. (TIMESOFISRAEL 30 May 2017)

EU Warns Israel: Policy of Demolishing Palestinian Homes in Area C Will Harm Relations. Israeli official details tense and difficult meeting in which the EU expressed opposition to 'home demolition and forced evacuation of populations'. The European Union sent a very harsh message to Israel a few days ago regarding the demolition of Palestinian structures in Area C of the West Bank, including some that were built with EU funding. In a meeting with the coordinator of activities in the territories Maj. Gen. Yoav Mordechai last week, the EU ambassador to Israel, Lars Faaborg Andersen, warned that a continuation of the massive demolition of Palestinian homes in the West Bank is liable to harm relations between the EU and Israel. A senior Israel official, who was informed about details of the meeting, noted that it was tense and difficult. The official requested anonymity due to the diplomatic sensitivity of the issue. He said that the EU ambassador strongly protested the demolition and said that Israel's policy is harming the weakest Palestinian populations. Area C, which constitutes about 60 percent of the West Bank, is under full Israeli security and civilian control. The Palestinians and the international community consider the area as the main land reserve for the future Palestinian state. Israel for its part wants part of Area C, where the settlements are located, to remain in its hands. The official said that the EU ambassador emphasized in the meeting with Mordechai that the organization and its 28 member countries believe that Israel's demolishing of Palestinian homes in Area C is a serious blow to the two-state solution. "Public opinion in Europe is opposed to home demolition and forced evacuation of populations," he said. Since the start of 2017 there has been a significant increase in the activity of the Civil Administration against what Israel describes as illegal construction by Palestinians in Area C, especially construction funded by the EU. There were two reasons for the increase heavy political pressure by right-wing MKs, headed by Moti Yogev and Bezalel Smotrich of Habayit Hayehudi, on the coordinator of activities in the territories, and an Israeli attempt to apply pressure and to adopt sanctions against the EU in response to the decision to label products from the settlements in the European supermarket chains. While the EU claims that the construction it funds in Area C is humanitarian assistance to Palestinian residents, Israel claims that it's a political step designed to help the Palestinians to establish facts on the ground. According to United Nations statistics, in all of 2015 Israel destroyed 75 buildings funded by the EU, and a total of 531 Palestinian structures. In the first four months of 2017 alone an identical number of EU-funded buildings were demolished,

and about 591 Palestinian structures in all. According to Dutch statistics, during 2015 damage totaling 206,000 euros was caused as a result of Israeli enforcement activities. In the first third of 2017 alone EU projects in Area C sustained damages totaling 210,000 euros as a result of Israeli activity. According to UN figures, 688 Palestinians remained homeless as a result of demolitions in 2015, compared to 808 in the first third of 2017. The EU ambassador told Mordechai that it's impossible to explain Israeli policy in Europe - on the one hand it destroys illegally constructed buildings and on the other it offers the Palestinians no possibility of building legally and fails to approve master plans and development for the Palestinians in Area C. Faaborg-Andersen also discussed the Bedouin population in Area EI between Ma'aleh Adumim and Jerusalem. Israel carried out several demolitions there. The ambassador told Mordechai that Israeli activities leading to a forced transfer of a Bedouin population or a denial of its rights contradict international law and are not accepted in the EU. The senior official said that following the complaints by the ambassador, Mordechai explained that Israel will continue to demolish illegal Palestinian construction in Area C. He also said that he himself and the Civil Administration are under criticism by MKs. He claimed that the Palestinian Authority encourages foreign countries and organizations to build in Area C, and especially in places considered strategic for Israel. It was agreed that their future would be decided in future negotiations. He said that the PA also pressures the Bedouin to oppose any compromise offer by Israel, thereby preventing a solution to the problem. The ambassador's harsh message comes on the backdrop of strong political pressure on EU Foreign Minister Federica Mogherini from a large group of members of the European Parliament who are demanding confrontation with Israel on the subject of the demolitions, and particularly of building funded by the EU. Three weeks ago Mogherini attending a special hearing on the subject in the EP plenum. She said that there are discussions among EU members about the possibility of demanding compensation from Israel for the destruction of buildings constructed with European money. The EU has been conducting negotiations with Israel for several months on the subject of the demolitions in Area C. The Europeans demanded that Israel totally freeze the demolitions, especially of European-financed buildings. The sides have yet to reach understandings and another meeting is scheduled in the Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem on June 15. (<u>Haaretz</u> 1 June 2017)

- Israeli Bill Would Legalize Settlers' Land Grabs of Private Palestinian Land. Habayit Hayehudi says the legislation is part of its preparations to possibly leave the governing coalition because of Likud's attempts to bring in Zionist Union. A Habayit Hayehudi lawmaker says her party will try once again to push through a bill to legalize the expropriation of private Palestinian land in West Bank settlements - thereby legalizing structures already built there. The proposal, however, does not appear to have great chances for success. In October, MK Yoav Kish (Likud) withdrew a similar bill amid fears of criticism abroad as violence ramped up between Palestinians and Israelis in the West Bank. During his previous term, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu rejected a similar proposal, saying it could harm Israel's interests. But now the head of Habayit Hayehudi in the Knesset, MK Shuli Moalem-Refaeli, is expected to submit her own version of the bill. "The legalization of Jewish settlement in Judea and Samaria is the only way to solve the problematic nature of the thousands of homes - for example in the settlement of Amona – that were built deliberately and with the encouragement of the Israeli government over several decades," Moalem said. "The government's harassment of the settlers - demolishing their homes, exposing them to lawsuits and portraying them as lawless – is unjustified. The bill proposes solutions that were implemented by the government in the past under similar circumstances". Habayit Hayehudi said over the weekend that the step was part of its preparations for possibly leaving the governing coalition; Netanyahu is considering bringing in the main opposition party, Zionist Union. Under the bill, Palestinian landowners would receive alternative land and monetary compensation but would not be able to oppose the expropriation. According to a report by right-wing group Regavim that was sent to MKs last month, 2,026 structures in the settlements are built on private Palestinian land. (<u>Haaretz</u> 5 June 2017)
- Minister: Empty West Bank Area C of Palestinians, annex it. Uri Ariel calls for improving conditions in areas A and B, applying Israeli sovereignty elsewhere, says PM's peace bid futile. Israeli minister Uri Ariel proposed removing "a few thousand Arabs" from Area C of the West Bank the 60% of the territory fully controlled by Israel and then annexing it. In an interview with The Times of Israel on Tuesday, Ariel (Jewish Home), the agriculture minister, also said the Israeli right is unconcerned over recent peace overtures by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu since they will eventually come to nothing. Nonetheless, Ariel, who opposes

Palestinian statehood, complained that by invoking a desire for a twostate solution, Netanyahu is fueling the notion held by many Israelis that the creation of a Palestinian state is inevitable. Rather than Palestinian statehood, Ariel urged the annexation of Area C and said NIS 10 billion (some \$2.6 billion) should be poured into the other Palestinian areas to drastically improve the local population's quality of life. "We have to aspire to the annexation of Area C; these are areas where there are no Arabs at all," Ariel said. "We would remove a few thousand, who do not constitute a significant numerical factor," he added. Ariel did not specify how those Palestinians would be removed, or where they would be relocated. Ariel's party leader, Naftali Bennett, who has long proposed annexing Area C, has acknowledged that many tens of thousands of Palestinians live there, and said they should be given the option of Israeli citizenship. Ariel, by contrast, previously called for Israel to annex the entire West Bank, giving the Palestinians "permanent resident" status in the expanded Israel, and the possibility of full voting rights. On the issue of Netanyahu's recent talk of peace overtures, Ariel said: "I am not worried so much, even though there are surprises in life." Netanyahu's repeatedly declared desire to reach a peace agreement with the Palestinians and his recent partial embrace of the Arab Peace Initiative, which calls for an Israeli withdrawal to the pre-1967 lines and a "just" and "agreed" solution to the refugee question, will lead nowhere because of Palestinian rejectionist, Ariel said. "In the end the Arabs will not agree [because] there is no 'right of return' — and they want to return to wherever they want," said Ariel, a long-time settler leader before he entered the Knesset with the right-wing Jewish Home. "In Israel everyone agrees — even the [center-left] Zionist Union — that there will be no right of return. And there are other issues which for the (Palestinians) are nonnegotiable." However, Ariel continued, "there is an ongoing attack on the Israeli consciousness regarding the righteousness of our way." Netanyahu, and others pledging allegiance to the idea of Palestinian statehood, contributes to a public perception that giving away parts of the Jewish homeland is inevitable, he said. "Terms like 'two states for two peoples' lead the people that dwell in Zion [the Israeli people] to doubt our cause," he said. Even those who believe in Israel's right to the entire territory of the Holy Land start arguing that there is no other choice because the world insists on the creation of a Palestinian state, the minister said. Ariel is the head of the far-right Tekuma faction in the Jewish Home party. He said he agrees with party leader Bennett, who has threatened to

bolt the coalition should the government make territorial concessions. "There is no way that we remain in a government that takes territory from the Land of Israel and hands it to others - the word 'return' isn't appropriate — it's ours, not theirs," he said. "We have been there [in the West Bank] for 49 years, 50 years — compared to 19 years in which the Jordanians [controlled it.] There can be no comparison. It's absurd." Ariel noted, however, that he had not discussed the peace process or related topics during recent talks with Netanyahu. He flew with the prime minister on this trip to Moscow this week - where he signed a memorandum of understanding on cooperation in agriculture, the dairy industry and advanced dairy technology with his Russian counterpart, Alexander Tkachev. "We didn't talk about this [issue], not even one word. We talked about other important issues. There are other important issues," Uriel said. Speaking to The Times of Israel on the sidelines of an Israel-themed exhibition near the Kremlin, Ariel said the government should launch a "very wide-ranging economic peace" with the Palestinians in the West Bank. "Bring gas to Nablus and water to Hebron and build roads and hospitals and whatever they need. This is possible and it is necessary." Specifically, the government should earmark NIS 10 billion (\$2.6 billion) over the next 10 years to "invest in economic projects that benefit the population," he said. Major projects should be launched unilaterally, he added. "In order to lay a gas pipeline to Hebron you don't need anyone's agreement. Just do it," he said. "This is not something the State of Israel can't cope with. We could do it unilaterally, and tell the world what we're doing. I think doors will open in a way that is not happening today." In addition to such economic measures for areas A and B, Ariel called for the annexation of Area C, arguing that the very few Palestinians who live there could easily be evacuated. It is a fallacy to argue that an Israeli annexation of large parts of the West Bank is impossible due to universal international opposition to such a move, he argued. "They said it wouldn't happen and then it happened: They said there wouldn't be a Jewish state, and it was created," Ariel said. The annexation of East Jerusalem, the absorption of a million Russian Jews, the evacuation of thousands of Israeli Jews from Gaza and other events that people refused to believe could happen prove that "one can never say never," he said. "In Israel, the most expected thing is that every 10 years an unexpected mega-event occurs." (Time of Israel 8 June 2017)

Israel erases key Muslim, Christian holy sites from al-Quds 'map'. The Israeli tourism ministry has published a map of the occupied Old City of al-Quds (Jerusalem), which omits significant Muslim and Christian holy sites and entire neighborhoods in the area. The so-called Old City map, which is distributed free of charge at tourist information centers across the city, does not refer to the venerated 14-hectare compound that comprises al-Aqsa Mosque — Islam's third holiest site — and the Dome of the Rock, as "al-Haram al-Sharif," and simply refers to it by its Jewish name of the Temple Mount, Al Jazeera reported. Moreover, the map makes no reference to the Church of St. Anne, which is a Roman Catholic church located near the Lions' Gate and churches of the Flagellation and Condemnation in East al-Quds. The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, the second Protestant church in Quds, is also shown on the map with a tiny and hard-to-find name. The map, however, highlights dozens of sites whose historical importance is disputed, and a large number of them are indeed illegal settlements constructed in the Muslim and Christian quarters of the Old City of al-Quds. Among 57 numbered sites, almost half are buildings occupied by illegal settlers in East Jerusalem and are largely unknown to licensed tour guides. One such tour guide, requesting anonymity, said the map favors Jewish sites regardless of their touristic value and appears religiously flawed. "When I saw it, I thought it was a map for only Jewish tour groups. The narrative it shows is quite exclusive to one religious group," the tour guide said. Aziz Abu Sarah, a resident of al-Quds, said, "The St. Anne's Church, which I think is one of the most amazing places, is not on the map. There are many Christians coming to Jerusalem, and they are going to get a map that doesn't identify their holy sites. It's not a smart decision." He further suggested that the inclusion of certain sites within the boundaries of the Old City of al-Quds is aimed at promoting a one-sided Jewish representation of East Jerusalem and ignoring its Christian and Muslim identities. "Politically speaking, it adds sites that are controversial, like the settlements in East Jerusalem, and I think that makes it political and one-sided," Abu Sarah said. "There are a bunch of sites that are not only historically unimportant, but that are run by settlers," said Betty Herschman, the director of international relations at Ir Amim, an Israeli human rights NGO that gives tours of East al-Quds to diplomats and others. She added, "That is to the detriment of historically relevant Christian and Muslim sites, which you would think would be far more prioritized on a map of the Old City, the hub of the three major monotheistic religions." "This map, in addition to erasing

important Muslim and Christian holy sites in the Old City, completely erases entire neighborhoods around the historic basin, supplanting them not only with Hebrew names but with the names of settlements," Herschman argued. She stressed that the settlements, for example Bet Orot, are built by radical and illegal settlers within the heart of Palestinian neighborhoods. "The map is legitimizing private settlement around the historic basin," Herschman said. More than half a million Israelis live in over 230 illegal settlements built since the 1967 Israeli occupation of Palestinian territories in the West Bank and East al-Quds. (Press TV 13 June 2017)

Israeli Plan for New Jerusalem Neighborhood Raises Palestinian Ire. PLO condemns construction plan for some 15,000 housing units over the Green Line. Municipality: Project involves employment zone, not homes. An Israeli plan to build a new neighborhood outside Jerusalem, as reported last week, has raised the ire of Palestinian leaders. The land in question is located near the abandoned Atarot airport, north of the city. Media reports about the scheme triggered a wave of reactions in Palestinian circles, and the subject was also discussed at a meeting of the Palestinian Liberation Organization's Executive Committee on Saturday night in Ramallah. "The PLO Executive Committee will use any means at its disposal to oppose this plan, and will sue Jerusalem Mayor Nir Barkat [at the International Criminal Court in the Hague] since the area in question is occupied Palestinian land," the committee stated, adding that the project would thwart Palestinian plans for developing a landing strip on the spot. Israel's Walla news website had reported last week that the city of Jerusalem is pushing a plan to build a new neighborhood near the abandoned Atarot airport, not far from the checkpoint near the Qalandiyah refugee camp checkpoint. The plan, supposedly calling for some 15,000 new housing units, was initiated about a decade ago but nothing was ever done about it, the report said. The Jerusalem Municipality, however, has denied the Walla report. "The idea of establishing the neighborhood was brought up in the past by various elements, but given the dearth of employment zones in the city, the major of Jerusalem has said that the land be developed to that end: to create jobs," it said. Meanwhile, the city noted that it is promoting construction of 85,000 apartments in existing neighborhoods by means of urban renewal programs, in the hope that they will encourage young people to stay in the city. In response to the item about the project near Qalandiyah, the Waqf, which runs the Temple

Mount site in the Old City of Jerusalem, announced Sunday that such a move by Israel could lead to a serious escalation in tensions. The Waqf also claimed that now, during the holy month of Ramadan, Israel is still allowing Jews to visit the sensitive Al-Aqsa Mosque compound on the mount, but isn't letting Palestinians in. Moreover, the Waqf said that Israel is detaining and arresting its officials, and is preventing worshippers from bringing into the mosque special foods used for breaking the daily fast during the holiday, to the detriment of thousands of believers. (Haaretz 14 June 2017)

Finance Committee approves bill boosting settler business and hotels. Left wing lawmakers warn legislation is part of "creeping annexation." The Finance Committee has approved a bill that would boost settlement business and make it easier to construct hotels and field schools in Gush Etzion and other West Bank areas outside of Jerusalem. The Encouragement of Capital Investment legislation has already passed the Knesset in a first reading, and returns to the Knesset for a second and third reading before it becomes law. But right-wing lawmakers and settlers already celebrated its passage on Monday, grateful that it now granted them the same tax breaks and incentives that business receive for projects within the Green Line. This includes tourism and hotel projects in the area of the West Bank just outside of Jerusalem. Settler business owners could not previously benefit from those tax breaks because the law granting such incentives did not apply to Judea and Samaria. There are no hotels in Judea and Samaria, but there is an active industry of field schools and small cottages for rent, known as tzimmers. The head of the Gush Etzion Field School, Yaron Rosenthal, called it an "historic amendment" that would give a 20 percent return to owners of tourism and hotel projects as well as event halls. Meretz party head MK Zehava Gal- On attacked the new bill as tantamount to "creeping annexation," because it was the application of an Israeli law onto the West Bank, which is under Israeli military and civilian rule. Industrial zones in Area C of the West Bank will now have the same legal status as those within the Green Line, Gal-On said, and that the legislation "gives a stamp of authenticity to the annexation of Judea and Samaria." Gal-On added that it was also another example of disproportionate government expenditure for settlers and settlements, who already receive more than their fair share of taxpayer funds. She cited as an example the Education Ministry, which provides twice as much funding to educate a child over the Green Line than it does within it. MK Mickey Levy (Yesh Atid) said he supported the

rights of Israeli citizens to benefit from the Capital Investment Encouragement Law, but that they should do so by investing in factories inside the Green Line or by transferring their businesses there. "What is happening here essentially is that the government is giving money to business that will produce products that will later be boycotted in Europe, so what have we achieved exactly?" he asked. It's as if "one hand does not know what the other hand is doing" in this government, Levy said. "I oppose this law." Levy added that if this was the general direction in which the government was headed, it might as well just annex Judea and Samaria, a move which would eliminate any legal issues on any matter. MK Bezalel Smotrich (Bayit Yehudi), who supports the bill, said that since the residents of Judea and Samaria already pay taxes, they should also receive the same financial benefits as other taxpayers. Justice Ministry representative Edna Harrel defended the Finance Committee, saying the bill had not contributed to the creeping annexation of Judea and Samaria nor had they provided its citizens with extra benefits. Rather, she said, the legislation simply allows the government to address a situation of inequality, and allow Israeli citizens living on both sides of the Green Line to receive the same tax benefits. (JPOST 15 June 2017)

Israel to Allocate \$19 Million More for Settlements, Citing Security Concerns. The cabinet will vote at its weekly session on Sunday to add another 74 million to 340 million already earmarked for Israeli enclaves in occupied territory. The Israeli cabinet will vote at its weekly Sunday session on a proposed addition of 74 million shekels (\$19 million) to a budget of 340 million shekels for Jewish settlements, for a "unique security situation they face on a daily basis". The draft proposal says "Israeli settlements in Judea and Samaria live in a unique security situation on a daily basis due to their geographic location and fabric of life in the region. The funds for the settlements will come from several budgets. The Interior Ministry will provide 15 million shekels to local councils, another 10 million will come from the Agriculture Ministry to renovate buildings into permanent structures. The Education, Welfare, Health Ministries and Treasury, will forward another 12 million shekels. The cabinet approved 340 million shekels in Transport Ministry funds for the settlements, in August, as part of the 2015-2017 state budget. Haaretz reported two months ago that Netanyahu and former defense minister Moshe Ya'alon had decided to advance the construction of hundreds of settlement homes. The plan was quietly frozen for about a year, but there has recently been a decision to advance new plans to the Civil

Administration's planning commission. The Prime Minister's Office denied that report, but aerial photographs have shown new construction under way and approval has been given for plans to build 70 housing units in the settlement of Nokdim. (<u>Haaretz</u> 17 June 2017)

- Rabbi Shlomo Mlmad, the chairman of the so-called Council of Rabbis in West Bank settlements, called on settlers to poison Palestinians through their water supply, which came to light by the Israeli organization 'Breaking the Silence'. Group member Yehuda Shaul said, according to WAFA, that the aim behind poisoning water in the West Bank is to push Palestinians out of their towns and cities in order to allow settlers to take over Palestinian lands. (IMEMC 19 June 2017)
- Israel Plans to Destroy Only Water Source of Shepherds in West Bank Village. Move comes despite Israeli authorities telling international agencies that there would be no demolitions during the month of Ramadan. Israel intends to destroy a water-holding tank that serves 20 families of Palestinian shepherds and their flocks in the northern Jordan Valley. This, despite the fact that Israel's coordinator of government activities in the territories (to which the Civil Administration is subordinate) promised representatives of international agencies that there would be no demolitions during the month of Ramadan, except for structures built during this time, Haaretz has learned. The simple structure collects water coming out of a natural spring. A rubber hose attached to it runs for a few dozen meters to a plastic trough. The Civil Administration claims the structure was built illegally. The shepherds, who live in a community called Umm al-Jimal, own 700 sheep and goats, as well as 300 cows and some horses. Last year, a flood destroyed another holding tank that served the families, also blocking the spring's exit. The families are concerned that destroying the current holding tank will once more block the spring, which is their only close water source. A final injunction to stop work and demolish the holding tank was given in April 2012, but was never implemented. Last Tuesday, an inspector called Avi posted a notice concerning filing reservations regarding the demolition injunction "for a 10-meter-square pool of water". Residents were given three days to present their reservations at the Civil Administration. At press time, they didn't know if an attorney for the Palestinian Authority had managed to file on time, or whether Civil Administration officials will arrive in coming days to demolish the tank. Haaretz was unable to contact the attorney on Saturday and couldn't contact the Civil Administration because of Shabbat. (<u>Haaretz</u> 19 June 2017)

Government approves NIS 72 million for West Bank. Citing security as its justification, the government will pump resources into West Bank ventures including the establishment of hotels; Haredi community set to receive millions as agreed during coalition talks. The government approved on Sunday a massive financial package of 72 million shekels for settlements during its weekly meeting. While the budget is largely being justified on security-related grounds, an examination of where the money will be directed shows that a large proportion is intended for fields which are not related to security matters. The program will assign the Interior Ministry a one-time grant of NIS 15 million to local authorities in settlements in light of the expenses arising from the security situation in the region. As part of the program the Interior Ministry will allocate 15 million shekels to the local authorities of the settlements in light of the outgoings which have come from the situation in the area. The Ministry of Agriculture will undertake efforts to convert temporary structures into permanent and renovated buildings for the public to strengthen security. The sum allocated for this will be NIS 10 million. Furthermore, money will be allocated toward funding resilience centers in order to strengthen the preparedness of communities in the West Bank for emergencies and to support psychological and social programs. The investment will total 12 million shekels over the course of 3 years. Additionally, the Ministry of Social Affairs will increase its activities in the West Bank at a cost of 6 million shekels. The Ministry of Social Equality will also be strengthened in many fields by providing further support for elderly citizens, the promotion of social engagement among young people for the community, the proportion of volunteer work, female empowerment - all at the cost of 2 million shekels. Similarly, the Education Ministry will enable local authorities to provide social care for youths in security risks and will be allocated 6 million shekels to do so. The government will also instruct the ministry of internal security to implement unique programs designed to prevent violence among youths which will receive 1.5 million shekels. Part of the budget belonging to the Science Ministry will be contributed to the settlements in an effort to promote science in the community by way of science courses, science camps and by making science more accessible to the public in general - a venture which will receive one million shekels. The agency for small and medium-sized businesses in the Economics Ministry will assist businesses in the region by increasing state guarantees to 85 percent. To this end, 2 million shekels will be allocated to the state guarantee fund. Perhaps most strikingly, the Ministry of Tourism will

allocate 5.5 million shekels for the developments of public tourism infrastructure in the area. Furthermore, for the first time, support was pledged for a budget which would be directed toward the construction of hotels and motels in major tourist centers in the West Bank. After many year in which the government failed in its attempts to create a budget for the building of hotels in the region, the government approved a proposal put forth by Tourist Minister Yariv Levin's to grant 20 percent of the costs for erecting hotels in the area. The assistance program will augment other similar programs which the government decided upon during the last year which cost millions of shekels. MK Itzik Shmuli (Zionist Union) said on Saturday, "This is simply an outrageous decision. At a time when people are marching in Jerusalem because of government malpractice, it decides to pour tens of millions of shekels into the settlements. When will this government start caring about the periphery which is being left behind?" Finally, the money will not only go on the settlements. The government will approve the transfer of 155 million shekels - 80 million this year and 75 million next year - for Haredi people which was agreed to during the coalition talks. The Ministry of Finance has said that the entire sum of money is earmarked for Haredi Yeshivas. (Ynetnew 19 June 2017)

CBS: Drop in settler housing starts. It was the sharpest drop in housing starts for any region. Nationwide, the decline was 8.1%. The number of housing- starts in West Bank settlements for the first quarter of 2017 dropped by 53 percent compared to the same period last year, according to a new report on Israeli construction by the Central Bureau of Statistics. It was the sharpest drop in housing starts for any region. Nationwide, the decline was 8.1%. The ground broken in settlements for 331 new homes reflected only 3% of the 11,813 housing starts nationwide, according to data the CBS published last week. During the same period in 2015, the 705 settler housing starts represented 5% of the 12,860 throughout the country. The numbers were particularly low in the five largest West Bank settlements - Modi'in Illit, Beitar Illit, Ma'aleh Adumim, Ariel and Givat Ze'ev – which made up only 39% of all such starts in settlements. Typically, these five communities make up at least 50% of all new settlement housing starts. The report comes amid a persistent call by settler leaders and right-wing politicians for Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to advance more plans and approve more housing for the settlements. "The freeze in planning is now being felt in the field," said Yigal Dilmoni, deputy head of the Council of Jewish Communities of Judea and Samaria. Plans are not being approved, and tenders are not

being issued, he said on Sunday. "We have been warning about the government's policy in this regard for a long time," he added. The settlers and rightwing politicians are particularly concerned by the drop in construction in Ma'aleh Adumim, where no ground was broken for new homes at all, although there was work going on for 144 new homes. Separately, the number of completed homes in Judea and Samaria rose by 14.9% in the first quarter of 2017, for a total of 610 units, compared with 531 such structures in the first three months of 2015. The bulk of that building, 67%, was in the five largest settlements. The spike in the number of finished homes ran counter to the country-wide trend, which, aside from Jerusalem, saw a 15.4% drop. In the capital, there was a slight rise of 1.2%. The number of finished homes in settlements in the first quarter of 2017 made up 6.3% of the 9,643 homes finished nationwide. Last year saw the highest number of finishes (2,042) since 2009. In 2014, the number of finished homes stood at 1,615, up from 1,460 in 2013, and 1,270 in 2012. Settler construction is one of the red-button issues in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The Palestinians claim that it is a stumbling block to any peace agreement and have called on Israel to halt and reverse such activity. Israel, in turn, has argued that it has no bearing on the ability of two sides to sit down and negotiate a final status agreement for a two-state solution. (**JPOST** 20 June 2017)

An underground Jewish city stretching from the middle of Silwan town in the south through the Buraq Wall of al-Aqsa Mosque, is being built, according to Israeli reports. The excavations are being conducted under the Old City of Jerusalem and al-Omari School to the north of al-Aqsa. It reaches Damascus Gate, specifically the Zedekiah's Cave under northern Old City. Interestingly, these reports never include photos or videos of the Israeli excavations as the sites are closed to the public. But the scattered information forms an image of the perils of these excavations, according to Qpress. Underground amusement park for Jews Rafi Greenberg, professor of archaeology at the University of Tel Aviv, and one of the founders of Emek Shaveh, mentioned that he has been recently digging a metro-sized tunnel starting from Ein Silwan towards al-Aqsa Mosque. According to Greenberg, the tunnel will be constructed with concrete and steel. He described the Israeli excavations under al-Aqsa and the Old City as an underground amusement park for the Jewish people. Large expansions According to Haartez, Greenberg said that the Israeli excavations expand so that a person can walk for hundreds of meters through tunnels, caves and cellars. He added that Israeli archaeologists plan for larger

expansions. The secret excavations include excavations under the middle of Silwan village that can be accessed through an iron gate into a small tunnel that is subdivided into rooms and halls. Haartez reported that a huge, 7.5-meter-wide tunnel is being excavated, and it will be stretching for 700 meters from Ein Silwan into the Buraq Wall, with signage and illumination. This tunnel will reach "a ninth gate" that passes through the historical wall of Jerusalem from the south, and it will serve as a two-way route beneath Jerusalem. A small part, 60 meters long, and 2.5 meters wide, from this route was excavated 12 years ago. So far the past two years, the tunnel has become 120 meters long and 7.5 meters wide. More tunnels According to the Israeli plans the so-called "The Biblical Temple", or what is now called Givati parking, will be a "hub" in the planned subterranean Jewish city, as Silwan tunnel is connected to it now and the new huge Silwan Tunnel will be connected to it. Another short tunnel will connect the hub to the existing City of David Visitors' Center. A cistern called Jeremiah's cistern has already been excavated in the area. According to Haartez, a "grandiose" Jewish prayer area is planned to be excavated beneath the Buraq Wall plaza. However, this plan has been suspended. Rigorous Israeli endeavors are being exerted now to dig underground parking lots under the heart of the Old City. Haartez report also points to recent huge excavations and large underground buildings that are connected to the Buraq Wall tunnels network. It added that these excavations are closed to the public for many reasons, including the safety of the visitors and the difficulty of managing the movement of visitors at such great depths. (Pal Info 21 June 2017)

• Israel Admits Cutting West Bank Water Supply, but Blames Palestinian Authority. Israel says region's intense heat wave combined with Palestinian Water Authority's refusal to approve additional infrastructure had led to 'old and limited pipes being unable to transfer all the water needed'. Since the start of this month, tens of thousands of Palestinians have been suffering the harsh effects of a drastic cut in the water supplied them by Israel's Mekorot water company. In the Salfit region of the West Bank and in three villages east of Nablus, homes have had no running water for more than two weeks. Factories there have been shut down, gardens and plant nurseries have been ruined and animals have died of thirst or been sold to farmers outside the affected areas. People have been improvising by drawing water from agricultural wells, or by buying mineral water or paying for water brought in large tankers for household use and to water their livestock. But purchasing water that way is

extremely expensive. Palestinian Water Authority officials told Haaretz that people at Mekorot have told them the supply cuts were going to last the entire summer. The sources said they were told by the Israelis that there is a water shortage and that everything must be done to assure that the local reservoirs (located in the settlements) stay full so that the necessary pressure can be maintained to stream the water through the pipelines leading to other settlements and Palestinian communities Palestinian municipal officials say that Palestinian workers for the Civil Administration who are sent to regulate the quantities of water in the Mekorot pipes told them the water cuts were made to meet the area settlements' demand for water, which is rising in the hot weather. Similar cuts were initiated in the same areas last year, when the severe water supply interruptions also occurred during Ramadan. Mekorot would not answer questions, referring Haaretz to the Israel Water Authority and the Foreign Ministry. Uri Schor, the Water Authority spokesman, wrote that the quantities of water Israel sells to the Palestinians throughout the West Bank, including in the Salfit area, has gone up over the years. "A localized water shortage has developed for Israelis and Palestinians alike in northern Samaria and it stems from the especially high consumption because of the region's intense heat," Schor wrote. He added that the shortage developed because the Palestinian Water Authority is refusing to approve additional water infrastructure in the West Bank through the joint water committee, "which has led to the old and limited pipes being unable to transfer all the water needed in the region". An Israeli security source said settlements are also complaining about water shortages. Palestinians deny foot-dragging, say water goes to settlements. A senior Palestinian Water Authority official denied that Palestinian foot-dragging was contributing to the water shortages. "The Israeli Authority is misleading the public," he said. "The pipes do not need to be upgraded. USAID, for example, just finished the new pipeline in Deir Sha'ar to serve the population in Hebron and Bethlehem. Israel needs to increase the pumping rate from the Deir Sha'ar pumping station and more than half a million Palestinian would receive their equitable share. "Israel, however, submitted a project to increase the size of the pipe serving Israeli settlements in the Tekoa area, and the Israel Water Authority is blackmailing the Palestinian Authority to approve the Israeli project in exchange for increasing the water from the Deir Sha'ar booster station". Schor brought examples from the months of January-May over the past four years that show that there has indeed been an increase in the

quantities of water supplied to the Salfit and Nablus districts, from 2.7 million cubic meters of water in 2013 to 3.48 cubic meters this year. But the internal records of the Palestinian Water Authority show that in May of this year there was a cut in the water supplied to the town of Bidya, with 12,000 residents, from 50,470 cubic meters in March, to 43,440 in May. In May of last year, Bidya received 45,000 cubic meters. In the town Qarawat Bani Hassan, consumption in May was higher than in March (17,000 cubic meters compared to 15,000), but last May consumption reached 20,000 cubic meters, and according to a Palestinian official there's no way to explain the drop in usage other than by a drop in supply. The supply cut in June, meanwhile, has been much sharper – of up to 50 percent per hour. The Oslo Accords, which were meant to remain in effect until 1999, preserved Israeli control over the West Bank's water sources and discriminates in how the water is divided. Under the agreements, Israel gets 80 percent of the water from the West Bank mountain aquifer, while the rest goes to the Palestinians. The agreement also sets no limit on the amount of water Israel can take, but limits the Palestinians to 118 million cubic meters from the wells that existed prior to the accords, and another 70 million to 80 million cubic meters from new drilling. For various technical reasons and unexpected drilling failures in the eastern basin of the aguifer (the only place the agreement allows the Palestinians to drill), in practice the Palestinians produce less water than the agreements set. According to B'Tselem, as of 2014 the Palestinians are only getting 14 percent of the aguifer's water. That is also why Mekorot is selling the Palestinians double the amount of water stipulated in the Oslo agreement - 64 million cubic meters, as opposed to 31 million. The Coordinator for Government Activity in the Territories said, "As a result of increased water consumption in the summer, it's necessary to manage and regulate the flow to enable the highest possible supply to all the populations. Given the problem, the head of the Civil Administration has approved an emergency regulation to operate the Ariel 1 drill rig to increase the amounts of water to residents of northern Samaria, with an emphasis on the Salfit area; another 5,000 cubic meters of water per hour was also approved for the southern Hebron Hills". The coordinator also noted that the Civil Administration has to battle theft from water lines that lead to Palestinian communities. Just yesterday, it said, it had discovered two thefts of water from a pipeline that supplies the Salfit area. (Haaretz 21 June 2015)

Four Out of Five East Jerusalemites Live in Poverty, a Sharp Rise Over Past Years. Separation wall cited as key reason for growing impoverishment, along with the upsurge in violence and lack of welfare benefits. Eighty-two percent of East Jerusalem residents lived under the poverty line in 2014, a sharp increase from previous years, according to the Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies. In comparison, the poverty rate for Israel as a whole is 22 percent, the rate for Jerusalem as a whole is 48 percent. In 2013, the poverty rate recorded in East Jerusalem was 76 percent, JIIS said. The poverty rate among East Jerusalem children in 2014 was even higher, at 86.6 percent. The data come from the Central Bureau of Statistics and the National Insurance Institute. East Jerusalem's approximately 300,000 residents have long been one of the poorest groups in Israel, but over the past decade their economic situation has worsened drastically. In 2006, the poverty rate in East Jerusalem was only 66 percent – 16 percentage points lower. Many people familiar with East Jerusalem say the main reason for the deterioration was the construction of the separation fence, which cut Jerusalem off from the West Bank, in the middle of the previous decade. That caused severe harm to businesses that relied on customers from the West Bank, and also raised the cost of living because there were no more cheap imports from the West Bank. But even compared to the past decade, the jump of 6 percentage points in the poverty rate from 2013 to 2014 is exceptional. NII officials said the increase may be partly due to a polling artifact: In the Central Bureau of Statistics survey from which poverty rates are calculated, the East Jerusalem sample is relatively small – just 150 families. Moreover, many East Jerusalem residents refuse to cooperate with the survey, a problem exacerbated by the wave of violence that erupted there in summer 2014. Nevertheless, the data presumably reflect a real increase in poverty. One reason for this increase may be the upsurge in violence that began in 2014, which caused a sharp drop in tourism and therefore the dismissal of many people employed in the tourism industry. Tighter security checks at checkpoints around Jerusalem also played a role by making it harder to import products from the West Bank, which caused a marked rise in food prices. "A 12-kilogram sack of rice costs 25 shekels in Azzariyeh and 120 shekels here," said Jabar, 49, who lives in the Old City, referring to a village just outside the separation fence. "Today, prices in East Jerusalem aren't any lower than they are in the city's western part," agreed Rania Harish, who heads the municipal welfare office in East Jerusalem. Yet another problem is that one out of every three workers in East Jerusalem lives in a

neighborhood outside the separation fence. That makes it very hard for them to work in the city. Nevertheless, even having a job is no protection against poverty: Fully 89 percent of East Jerusalem families with one breadwinner were earning below the poverty line. The Workers' Advice Center said another problem is that many East Jerusalem residents who are eligible for welfare benefits don't receive them, usually due to bureaucratic obstacles. For instance, it said, only 7 percent of East Jerusalem families receive income support payments, compared to 10 percent of Jewish Israeli families, even though poverty is far more widespread in East Jerusalem than among Jewish Israelis. Nevertheless, the center added, the gap has decreased slightly over the past two years, as more East Jerusalem families have been able to obtain benefits. Another problem, which is also related to the security situation, is that over the past two years thousands of East Jerusalem residents have been arrested, the vast majority of them people of working age. Being arrested often leads to dismissal and makes it hard to find another job, since many employers won't hire someone with a police record. In 2009, for instance, Khaled, 34, of the A-Tur neighborhood, was caught employing a West Bank Palestinian who was in Israel illegally. Ever since, he has been unable to work. He has four daughters and is severely impoverished. The Jerusalem municipality says it has launched several projects aimed at improving the situation, including setting up professional training centers and hiring 20 additional social workers to cover East Jerusalem. "There's been an improvement in the welfare and education systems, and I hope that within two years, we'll see results," said Boni Goldberg, head of the city's social services department. (Haaretz 22 June 2017)

• Likud Bill Seeks to Stave Off Demolition of Illegal West Bank Outpost. Netanyahu is worried that forcing settlers out of Amona would harm his chances in next election, says party source. The evacuation of Amona, the biggest outpost in the West Bank, would be put off for seven years under a bill that two Knesset members from Likud are expected to submit Wednesday. The High Court of Justice ordered the settlement to be cleared two years ago and set the deadline at year-end 2017. Two days ago, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said he is working on postponing the move. Netanyahu also called on his colleagues in Likud to help him resolve the problem. It appears that MKs Miki Zohar and David Bitan have risen to the challenge: According to their proposal, the evacuation of any settlement more than 10 years old may be delayed by seven years if there are no landowners demanding the land back. Their

bill does not name Amona specifically. However, Amona was founded in 1997 on private land next to the settlement of Ofra. The outpost was the site of a violent confrontation in 2006, when security forces entered to demolish nine illegally erected buildings. Amona has been at the center of a legal dispute for the last eight years, following a motion by Palestinian landowners through the Yesh Din nonprofit organization. Originally the state undertook to demolish the outpost entirely by 2012. After a number of postponements, it announced that it would only demolish the portions specified by the motion. The Amona settlers for their part claimed to have bought some of the lots legally. However, experts ruled that at least part of the purchase documents they presented in court were forged. In late 2014, the president of the Supreme Court at the time, Asher Grunis, ruled that the entire outpost had to be evacuated by December 25, 2017. Amona is considered a sputtering time bomb for the coalition. "Netanyahu evacuating settlers by force would hurt him and Likud badly ahead of the next elections," a Likud MK told Haaretz Wednesday. Netanyahu doesn't want to evict the settlers, and more than that, he doesn't want to trample on his natural constituency, the Likud source added. Evacuating Amona could be the move that spurs Naftali Bennett to stalk out of the coalition, taking quite a few Likud voters with him - "Netanyahu wouldn't want that either," the source added. Sources in Bennett's party, Habayit Hayehudi, already said earlier this month that the demolition of Amona could be grounds for abandoning the coalition. But before taking drastic moves, they decided to restart the process of regulating the expropriation of private Palestinian land for settlements. According to the bill, Palestinian landowners would get generous compensation, both in alternative land and in money; and buildings erected in settlements on their original lands would be legitimized retroactively. The bill would not, however, allow the Palestinians to object to the expropriation of their lands. According to research by the right-wing nonprofit organization Regavim, which was submitted to the Knesset in May, various settlements have 2,026 building erected on private Palestinian land. The chance of Habayit Hayehudi actually managing to push through its bill is remote, however. Last October, MK Yoav Kish (a member of Likud) withdrew a similar bill from the ministerial legislative committee because of the security situation and concern for international criticism against Israel at that sensitive time. During his term, Netanyahu himself had blocked another similar bill on the grounds that it could ruin Israel's interests instead of advancing them. The Knesset never has legislated the status of

land in the West Bank. Today, under international law, the military commander is the sovereign in the West Bank, and is responsible for deciding on the status of a given piece of land. If it does pass, the Habayit Hayehudi bill will completely change the situation: For the first time, the Knesset would be the one deciding on the status of land in the West Bank. Not only would the bill obviate much discussion on future evacuation of settlements – it is designed to circumvent court rulings, such as the one ordering the demolitions in Amona. (Haaretz 22 June 2017)

Jewish PAC to press Republicans to call West Bank 'Jewish homeland'. "The Land of Israel is the indigenous homeland of the Jewish people by right and by law," says the language proposed by the Iron Dome Alliance. A Jewish political action committee is seeking to get the Republican Party platform to recognize the West Bank as an "indigenous" part of the Jewish homeland. "The Land of Israel is the indigenous homeland of the Jewish people by right and by law and we oppose any measures to force, coerce or otherwise impose a security 'solution' or artificial borders on the Jewish state," says the language proposed by Iron Dome Alliance. "We recognize an undivided Jerusalem as Israel's capital and Judea and Samaria as integral parts of the indigenous Jewish homeland." The "Land of Israel" generally refers to the State of Israel and territories it controls. Judea and Samaria are the biblical names commonly used in Israel to designate the West Bank, an area where Israel has expanded Jewish settlement over the decades but which it has never formally annexed. Israel has annexed Jerusalem and, unlike in the West Bank, has extended some rights conferred on Israelis to its Palestinian residents. The Iron Dome Alliance released the language on June 16, offering it for incorporation into both major parties' platforms. Its chairman, Jeff Ballabon, told the Forward Wednesday that its emphasis would be on the Republican Party, in part because the party is more attuned to conservative pro-Israel positions and in part because the presumptive presidential nominee, Donald Trump, is an iconoclast. "Someone who likes to succeed won't agree to go down the road of something that has failed and failed again and again," said Ballabon, a longtime Republican activist in the Orthodox Jewish community, told the newspaper. "The idea of taking a new look at this is very important." The Republican Party currently favors a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, albeit in terms – like those in the current Democratic Party platform – that frame it as key to Israel's security and well-being. The Democratic Party's platform drafting committee is grappling with

proposals, backed by appointees named by Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., to make the language more sympathetic to Palestinian concerns. (<u>IPOST</u> 23 June 2017)

Settler Group Asks High Court to Cover Up Its Ties to Israeli Justice Minister. Left wing NGO submitted a freedom of information request about ties between Elad and top officials, including Ayelet Shaked, in bid to shed light on contentious Jerusalem project. The right-wing NGO Elad has petitioned the High Court of Justice to prevent the disclosure of the group's contacts with Justice Minister Ayelet Shaked and the ministry's director general Emi Palmor. The information is expected to shed light on how an Elad project was approved. The left wing NGO Ir Amim submitted a freedom of information request a few weeks ago about the ties between Elad and top Justice Ministry officials. The move followed Palmor's intervention in favor of a large Elad building project in Jerusalem's Silwan neighborhood, a formerly all-Arab neighborhood where right-wing Jewish activists have settled. Elad has been advancing construction of the Kedem compound, a large visitors center at the entrance to the Ir David National Park, which it manages. About a year ago the National Planning Council's appeals committee ordered Elad to reduce the size of the planned building from 16,000 square meters to 10,000. Elad petitioned the court against the decision to downsize the building, claiming one of the appeal committee's members, Yaron Turel, was involved in a conflict of interests. Elad said that when Turel once signed a petition against building in the settlements. The Jerusalem District court rejected the petition and charged the NGO court expenses. After this failure by Elad, a member of the National Planning Council -Amit Sofer, the representative of the local councils and head of the Regional Council Merom Hagalil - submitted a request for another discussion of the issue at the council. While such requests are generally denied out of hand, in this case Palmor replaced the ministry's representative at the council, who supported reducing the Elad building's size, and came herself to the meeting at Sofer's request, which was approved. When the council discussed the project at a later date it overturned the appeals committee's decision and restored the building to its original size. Ir Amim submitted a freedom of information request to the Justice Ministry, asking who had approached Shaked or the ministry about Elad's plan. It also asked if Shaked or senior ministry officials had met any person or official associated with the plan, and if so, what had been said at those meetings. The ministry said Ir Amim's request pertains

to details about a third party, who could be harmed by their disclosure "so we are asking him for his position." The third party is the plan's entrepreneur, Elad, which was told about Ir Amim's freedom of information request. The Justice Ministry denied Elad's request not to disclose any information to Ir Amim and earlier this week the ministry told Ir Amim that the "third party" had petitioned against releasing the information. Ir Amim said in response, "While the justice minister is pushing the NGOs bill, intended to persecute human rights groups acting transparently for the public, the right wing NGOs, which are close to those in power, want to continue working in the dark. We'll continue to act to expose the moves that led to approving a monstrous compound adjacent to the Old City's walls, which will change the face of Old Jerusalem and its surroundings". Neither the Justice Ministry nor Elad would comment. (Haaretz 23 June 2017)

Shooting at the car carrying Mahmoud Badran was deliberate, entirely unjustified and a direct result of military policy. Boys returning from night out at the pool become target of fatal shooting Late night on Tuesday, 21 June 2017, soldiers shot and killed Mahmoud Badran, a 15year-old from Beit Ur a-Tahta and wounded four of his friends. The shots were fired at a car with seven passengers inside, who were making their way back from a night out at a water park. The military initially announced the soldiers had "targeted terrorists who were throwing stones and Molotov cocktails at Israeli cars on Road 443", but later changed its version and stated the boy had been "mistakenly" killed, and that the MPIU was investigating the incident. Research conducted by B'Tselem field-researcher Iyad Hadad indicates that the soldiers used heavy fire against the moving car without any justification. At around 1:30 A.M., seven residents from the village of Beit Ur a-Tahta were making their way home after a night out at the Lin Land waterpark in the village of Beit Sira. Ahed Hilal, 21, drove six other passengers, all cousins under the age of 16: Da'wood Abu Hassan, 13 and his 16-year-old brother Amir; Hadi Badran, 15; Mahmoud Raafat Badran, 15; Majd, 16 and Majed, 13. When the car approached a narrow underpass used by Palestinian vehicles to get across Road 443, soldiers standing on the road, on top of the underpass, opened massive fire at the car from a distance of 40 to 50 meters. Most of the passengers in the car were hit by the shots, including the driver, who lost control and crashed into a wall. Five of the seven passengers were hit in the shooting: Mahmoud Badran was killed instantly and four passengers were injured: Ahed, the driver, and Amir sustained serious injuries and

Hadi and Dawood suffered medium injuries. The injured passengers ran out of the car and took cover in the underpass. Amir Badran was later taken to hospital in Israel. The testimonies given by the passengers indicate that more soldiers who arrived at the scene shortly after the shooting prevented Palestinian residents and Palestinian ambulance crews from tending to the wounded. They also prevented an Israeli ambulance crew that arrived at the scene from giving the wounded medical treatment for some ten minutes. One of the commanders of the unit accused the wounded boys of having thrown stones, but they showed him their swimsuits and towels and got the impression he understood they had not been involved in stone throwing. B'Tselem's research indicates that the soldiers unlawfully fired at the moving car, in violation of the open-fire regulations, which permit use of deadly fire only in circumstances of a clear and immediate threat to life, which was not the case in this incident. Media reports indicate that the soldiers and officer who opened fire belonged to the Duchifat regiment of the Kfir brigade, and that they were passing by, on their way to take care of logistical matters. Military officials told the press that the force shot at persons who had thrown stones and Molotov cocktails, spilled oil on the road and caused light injuries to Israeli passengers, when in fact, the soldiers arbitrarily fired at the car, having no indication that any of its passengers had been involved in stone or Molotov cocktail throwing. B'Tselem was unable to examine the car, or Mahmound Badran's body, as the military seized both, but the descriptions given by the witnesses and the scope of the injuries that were documented indicate that massive fire was directed at the car itself and that the shooting soldiers would clearly have known that the passengers might get hurt. The testimonies given by the car passengers indicate that the soldiers took no precautions and did not try to minimize the harm to the passengers. This shooting incident is a direct result of military policy which enables, despite the official prohibition in the open-fire regulations, to use deadly fire even in cases where there is no threat to life and even when the soldiers have other, non-lethal, means at their disposal. This policy is backed by the most senior ranking military and government officials who do nothing do change it, despite the lethal results. The military did say the MPIU had launched an investigation into the incident, however, as B'Tselem contended in a report published about a month ago, the military law enforcement system mainly serves as a whitewashing mechanism, which means there is scant hope that this investigation would lead to systemic change in military policy or bring justice. This position is

based on knowledge gained by processing hundreds of complaints filed with the military law enforcement system over the years, and scores of MPIU investigation files B'Tselem has reviewed. This experience has led us to realize that there is no longer any point in promoting justice and human rights protection by working with an system whose accomplishments are measured by its ability to continue to successfully whitewash any breach of law and protect the offenders. Accordingly, B'Tselem has announced it would no longer refer complaints to the military law enforcement system. However, as we have also announced, we will continue to thoroughly investigate such incidents and bring them to the public's attention. The publication of this research is part of this new policy. (B'Tselem 24 June 2017)

- Law affects tens of thousands of Palestinian families, creates a separate track of naturalization for spouses of Palestinian citizens of Israel from OPT and "enemy states." Israeli lawmakers voted on 13 June 2017 to extend by an additional year the Citizenship and Entry into Israel Law, an emergency regulation that prevents Palestinian citizens of Israel who are married to residents of the Occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, as well as countries that Israel considers "enemy states," from living with their families. The law affects tens of thousands of Palestinian families on both sides of the Green Line boundary between Israel and the West Bank, preventing Palestinians from legally moving into Israel to join their spouses. 65 Members of Knesset voted in favor of extending the law and 14 voted against it. (Adalah 27 June 2017)
- Only Four of 20 Israeli Ministers Openly Declare Support of Two-state Solution. Netanyahu is on the record in support of the creation of a Palestinian state alongside Israel, but only a minority in cabinet agrees to back such a policy, survey finds. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is currently on the record in support of the creation of a Palestinian state alongside Israel, despite expressing reservations regarding such a two-state solution in the past. But a survey by an Israeli news outlet concluded, despite some evasive responses, that such a policy is only openly supported by a minority of Israel's cabinet ministers. The informal poll conducted by Walla News showed that only four ministers were clearly on the record in support, nine are clearly against and the position of the seven others remains unknown. If all of the seven ultimately come out in support, and if Netanyahu himself remains supportive of a two-state solution, there would be a cabinet majority for the policy, the website noted, but the seven currently seem to hold the balance of power. The

two-state solution is a cornerstone of international diplomacy on the Israeli-Palestinian issue and is expected to feature in a forthcoming report by the Middle East Quartet, the grouping consisting of the United States, the United Nations, the European Union and Russia. The prime minister's most prominent expression of support for a Palestinian state came in a speech at Bar-Ilan University in 2009. Some ministers declined to respond to the poll, including three from Netanyahu's Likud party: Gilad Erdan, Yuval Steinitz and Yisrael Katz, along with two Shas party ministers, Arye Dery and David Azoulay. Although the new defense minister, Avigdor Lieberman, was similarly evasive, he is, at least on the record, in support of a Palestinian state. Ministers Moshe Kahlon, Yoav Galant and Tzachi Hanegbi, have also expressed support in one form or another. But the largest group of ministers who have expressed themselves on the issue have voiced their opposition, including Likud ministers Ze'ev Elkin, Ofir Akunis, Gila Gamliel, Yariv Levin, Yisrael Katz and Miri Regev. Also known to oppose a two-state solution are Ministers Naftali Bennett, Ayelet Shaked and Uri Ariel, all of the Habayit Hayehudi party. (Haaretz 28 June 2017)

In Total,

Governorate	Land Confiscated (Dunums)	Lands Threatened (Dun of Confiscation ums)	Uprooted Trees/Burnt trees	Demolished Houses	Demolished structures	Houses threatened of Demolition	Israeli settlers violence
Bethlehem	125	20	400	6	1	19	10
Jerusalem	1.3	100	0	23	18	14	53
Jenin	39.858	0	0	0	11	4	5
Tulkarm	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

Ramallah	0	0	442	0	6	7	7
Nablus	0	0	0	0	1	5	38
Salfit	50	0	168	3	7	7	10
Jericho	0	0	0	8	3	1	1
Gaza	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Qalqilyah	0	0	50	1	1	0	0
Hebron	10.055	10	0	4	8	18	20
Tubas	0	0	60	0	5	18	5
Total	226.213	130	1120	45	61	93	150

Source compiled from local Palestinian and Israeli newspapers, Field interviews and surveys.