

# **ARIJ Daily Report**

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt

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The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats in the occupied Palestinian territory, the confiscation and razing of lands, the uprooting and destruction of fruit trees, the expansion of settlements and erection of outposts, the brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army, the Israeli settlers violence against Palestinian civilians and properties, the erection of checkpoints, the construction of the Israeli segregation wall and the issuance of military orders for the various Israeli purposes.

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and \( \) or news sources.

The text is not quoted directly from the sources but is edited for clarity.

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# Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Azzoun town, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia, and searched several homes, including the home of a former political prisoner, identified as Aseed Yasser Salim. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- In the Gaza Strip, Israeli navy ship ships opened fire at several fishing boats, in the allotted fishing zone, in Palestinian territorial waters, in

northern Gaza. The fishermen had to sail back in fear of further escalation. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)

#### Israeli Arrests

- In Tubas, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched several homes, and detained Omar Hamza Daraghma and Ibrahim Sameeh Sawafta, from Tubs city, in addition to Islam Abdullah Tubasi, from Tammoun town, south of Jenin.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Amjad Abdul-Jabbar Jarrar, Mo'taz al-Hourani Abu Zeid and Aysar al-Jalbouni, from their homes in the al-Marah neighborhood, in Jenin city. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) <u>abducted two Palestinians</u>; Mousa Khalil al-'Amour, 17, and a former political prisoner, identified as Awadallah Adel al-'Amour, 20, from their homes, in Teqoua' town, east of Bethlehem. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Borham village, northwest of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, and detained a prominent Palestinian journalist, a correspondent with Palestine TV, identified as Ali Dar Ali. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained six Palestinian women in front of one of the gates leading to the Al-Aqsa Mosque, in occupied Jerusalem. The six were identified as Naheda Salah Abu Shaqra, 64, Salsabeel Mohammad Emara, Sajeda Mahameed, Sojoud Mahameed, Samah Mahameed and Nour Mahajna. The army also summoned Khadija Khweiss for interrogated at a nearby police center. Naheda and Salsabeel were taken prisoner just meters away from the gates of the Al-Aqsa Mosque. The rest of the detained women were taken prisoner after returning to a police roadblock, to retrieve their ID cards, which they had to leave with the IOA in order to be allowed into the Al-Aqsa Mosque. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)

#### Israeli Settler Violence

- A group of Israeli settlers marched in Tel Romedia Palestinian neighborhood, in the southern West Bank city of Hebron, heading to the Ibrahimi Mosque, and stormed a Palestinian home. The IOA closed the Ibrahimi Mosque, and prevented the Palestinians from entering it. The IOA also closed all entrances leading to the mosque, and the Palestinian neighborhoods on the Old City. The settlers then marched waving Israeli flags, and chanting racist slogans against the Palestinians. During their provocative march, several settlers invaded a Palestinian home near the illegal Abraham Avino settlement. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- An Israeli guard of the Ariel settlement attacked and injured a
  Palestinian farmer, while Israeli occupation Army (IOA) prevented
  several others from entering their lands, in Kifl Haris village. The
  farmer, identified as Abdul Karim Yousef, suffered various cuts and
  bruises. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented many farmers
  from entering their lands, isolated near the settlements, and demanded
  them to obtain permits from the Israeli "Civil Administration Office."
  (IMEMC, WAFA 15 August 2018)

#### Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished a Palestinian home, consisting of two apartments, in the al-'Isawiya town, in occupied East Jerusalem, under the pretense that it was constructed without a permit. Dozens of Israeli Army and Officers in addition to undercover forces, invaded the town, after isolating it, and surrounded the building, owned by Nader Nasser Abu Ryala. The two apartments were completely built, and the family was furnishing them. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished a building in the al-Wad Street, in Jabal al-Mokabber, after isolating its surrounding areas. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) along with Israeli army engineers, raided the Abu Hmeid family home in the al-Amari refugee camp that is located in the central occupied West Bank Government of Ramallah.

The Israeli Occupation army engineers raided the al-Amari refugee camp and inspected the house of Umm Nasser Abu Hmeid, mother of four Palestinian detainees; a fifth is accused of killing an Israeli soldier and another was killed by Israeli forces in 2002. Troops raided and took measurements of the house, in preparation to demolish it. Confrontations broke out between Palestinian youth and the IOA, following the raid; no injuries were reported. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a house belonging to a
  Palestinian resident in the town of Deir Dibwan, east of the West Bank
  Government of Ramallah. The IOA stormed the area, accompanied by
  bulldozers and heavy machinery, before proceeding to demolish the
  house. The house belongs to a local resident who was identified as
  Mohammed Ali. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and authorities forced four Palestinian families to leave their residential tents in Khirbet Yarza community, east of Tubas, Jordan Valley, to make way for military training in the area. The IOA forced four families to temporarily leave their homes, until 6:00 AM on Wednesday, to make way for military maneuvers with live ammunition in the area. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)

## **Expansion of settlements**

- Israeli occupation authorities have added more than 600 settlement units, during the past five days, to the settlement "Avni Hafetz", which is built on land in Shofa village, in Tulkarem. The Israeli machinery are working day and night to expand the settlement and turn it into a big one at the expense of the citizens' lands,". (IMEMC 15 August 2018)
- The Israel Land Authority published a tender for 603 housing units in Ramat Shlomo under the "Biden Plan" ((TPS 11085). The plan which comprises a total of 1,500 housing units, was approved in December 2012 following UN recognition of Palestinian observer state status. Tenders for 825 units have already been published, with hundreds of units already under construction. Today's tender applies

to almost all of the remaining units under the plan. (IR AMIM 15 August 2018)

### **Erection of Israeli checkpoints**

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) installed roadblocks at the entrances of the Zawiya and Masha villages, west of Salfit city in northeastern West Bank, before stopping and searching dozens of cars, and interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards. The soldiers imposed severe restrictions on the Palestinians, and prevented them from entering or leaving two villages, leading a huge traffic jam, before later reopening the roads. (IMEMC 15 August 2018)

#### Other

A Palestinian family was evicted last week, in defiance of a court order, from their apartments near Bethlehem where they had lived for decades, after Jews bought the building from a Christian group. According to the family, a large group of Israelis, some of them armed, evicted them, then used a bulldozer to demolish the two apartments where they had lived. The family said that prior to their eviction on August 6, they had filed a harassment complaint with the police in the Gush Etzion settlement bloc. They also said they reported the eviction itself in real time. Nevertheless, they said, police failed to intervene. That very same day, however, police arrested a member of the family and held her for two days, after the Israelis at the compound accused her of assaulting them. Ever since the early 1980s, the Samara family had lived in three apartments in a complex of buildings and orchards called Beit Al-Baraka, south of Bethlehem. The compound is across from the Al-Aroub May refugee camp. In 2015, Chaim Levinson <u>reported in Haaretz that Gro Wenske</u>, a pro-Israel Christian from Norway, had set up a front company in Sweden which posed as a church organization, and that back in 2010, the company had bought the compound from the Christian organization that built it. In 2012, the Swedish company dissolved, and the compound was transferred to an American organization controlled by Irving Moskowitz, a major funder of Jewish settlement in East Jerusalem. In 2015, work began to renovate the compound. But the seven members of the Samara family – the father, his sister, two daughters and three sons – continued to live in their three small apartments. In early 2016, security guards stationed at the site began interfering with the family's freedom of movement, even barring the three sons from entering the compound. A few weeks earlier, then-Defense Minister Moshe Ya'alon had given the Gush Etzion Regional Council jurisdiction over the compound in order to prepare it for Jewish settlement. The Samara family, as protected tenants, appealed to the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court. In March 2016, an agreement was reached between their attorney, Muhammad Dahleh, and Eitan and Noya Geva, the lawyers for the company that owns the compound, Beit Habracha (Kfar Etzion) Ltd. Under this agreement, which the court ratified, the company promised not to prevent Ahmed Samara, his sister Ismahan Samara, and his two daughters from entering or leaving the compound. In his ruling, Judge David Gideoni wrote, "This arrangement will remain in force unless a different judicial order is issued after a legal proceeding instituted by one of the parties." As far as Haaretz knows, no legal proceeding has since taken place that would change the situation. For more information: (Haaretz 15 August 2018)