



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 18 September 2018

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

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and/or news sources.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli police opened fire at a Palestinian near Damascus Gate in occupied Jerusalem and killed him. The Palestinian, identified only as 17 years old, is from the West Bank. Police closed off the area and kept people away, preventing Palestinian medics from reaching him. Police also stopped and harassed young Palestinians who were in the area and closed Damascus Gate, one of the main gates to Jerusalem's Old City. (Wafa 18 September 2018)

- Two Palestinians were killed and more than 30 were injured when the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at protesters near the northern Gaza Beit Hanoun/Erez border crossing with Israel. The two Palestinians were shot in the head and chest. One of them was identified as Mohammad Abu Naji, 34. (Maannews 18 September 2018)
- Two Palestinians were killed in an Israeli air strike on Khan Younis, south of the Gaza Strip. The two were totally dismembered in the strike making it difficult to identify them for several hours. However, they were later identified as the cousins Naji Jamil Abu Assi, 18, and Alaa Ziad Abu Assi, 21. (Maannews, WAFA 18 September 2018)
- At least four Palestinians were shot and injured by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) live fire as the latter attacked a peaceful rally near Beit Hanoun (Erez) border crossing with the besieged Gaza Strip. The four were shot in Beit Lahia, in northern Gaza, with live-bullet wounds after the IOA attacked the rally that was launched under the slogan: "Protecting the Rights of the Refugees" in protest of the US administration's decisions to cut off financial aid to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA). The four were shot in the foot. (WAFA 18 September 2018)
- Mohammad Zaghoul Rimawi, 24, died hours after he was detained by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) during an early morning raid at his home in Beit Rima, northwest of Ramallah. The IOA raided the village at around 4 in the morning, first masked IOA forced their way into the Rimawi residence after breaking the door then they were followed by a larger army force. The IOA assaulted Mohammad's mother then forced all the family (the father, mother and three of their children) into a corner of the house while they took Mohammad to another room in the middle of the house where he was severely beaten with their guns and kicked until he fell unconscious. After that the IOA dragged him and took him to an unknown location. Two hours later, the family was informed that its son has died. (WAFA 18 September 2018)
- Israeli police assaulted Palestinians present at Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem's Old City as dozens of Israeli settlers intensified their provocative tours of the Muslim holy compound on the eve of the Jewish Yom Kippur holiday. The police assaulted all Palestinians present inside the holy compound, including mosque guards and staff, and detained five people while four required hospitalization from beating. The police attack came as dozens of Israeli settlers entered the holy compound and attempted to hold Jewish rituals against standing orders provoking the Muslim worshippers and staff. (WAFA 18 September 2018)

- A Palestinian youth died hours after he was brutally assaulted by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) when they detained him from his home in the town of Beit Rima, northwest of Ramallah. The IOA raided the family home of Mohammad Zaghoul Rimawi, 24, during the night, broke the door to the house, assaulted Rimawi when he was still in bed, ripped his clothes off, dragged him when he was unconscious, all within three minutes, and few hours later declared him dead. (Wafa 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) killed a young Palestinian man in the al-Misrara area, in occupied East Jerusalem. The Palestinian has been identified as Mohammad Yousef Sha'ban Oleyyan, 26, from Qalandia refugee camp, north of occupied Jerusalem. The IOA kept Mohammad's body on the ground for nearly three hours. The IOA fired dozens of live rounds at the young man, repeatedly shooting him, while many bullets also struck a Palestinian store and a car several meters away. The IOA closed the entire area and did not allow the Palestinians to enter it, but allowed Israeli settlers through, while dozens of additional soldiers and police officers were brought to the area and its surroundings. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- Dozens of Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded the towns of al-Khader and Artas, south of Bethlehem in the occupied West Bank. The IOA surrounded the two towns, and fired many flares before invading them. The youngsters protested the invasions while the soldiers fired gas bombs, rubber-coated steel bullets and several rounds of live ammunition. The IOA also invaded and searched several homes in the two towns. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot 26 Palestinians with live fire, and caused dozens to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation, after the army resorted to the excessive use of force against a nonviolent flotilla protest against the ongoing deadly Israeli siege on the coastal region. Dozens of Palestinians gathered at the shore on Gaza city, before boarding boats and trying to sail towards the northern part of the coastal region, as part of the "Freedom Boats for Breaking the Siege" on the Gaza Strip, organized by the Higher National Commission of the Great Return March in Gaza. Dozens of Palestinians also gathered at the shore of northern Gaza, and in many fishing boats in Palestinian

territorial waters, before the Israeli navy attacked them with live fire and gas bombs. The IOA shot 26 Palestinians with live fire, and caused dozens to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation. (MEMC 18 September 2018)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained a number of International activists and Palestinians in Khallet Hamad in the northern Jordan Valley and detained them for more than 3 hours while they were covering the incident of Israeli settlers preventing Palestinian shepherds from entering their lands in Khirbet al-Hamma near Khallet Hamad. The IOA also confiscated the car of one of the activists. (Wafa 18 September 2018)

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians after storming their families' homes in Osarin town, southeast of Nablus. The raids triggered clashes, during which IOA opened fire at local youths who protested the raid and attempted to block their passage, injuring at least two protestors. One protestor was reportedly hit with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the left eye. The other protestor was hit with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the leg. The raid took place after an Israeli military bulldozer sealed the entrance to the town with earth mounds. (Wafa 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) conducted a raid that sparked clashes in Azzun town, west of Qalqiliya city, where they detained three Palestinians. This came as the entrance to the northern West Bank town was blocked off for the seventh consecutive day. (Wafa 18 September 2018)
- In Jenin Governorate, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a former prisoner after ransacking his home and interrogating family members in Arraba town, southwest of Jenin city. (Wafa 18 September 2018)
- In Ramallah Governorate, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Qalandia refugee camp, south of Ramallah city, ransacking several homes and detaining two Palestinians. Violent clashes flared up in the camp during which a protestor was hit with bullet fragments in the feet. Israeli troops thoroughly searched and wreaked havoc in one home before seizing around 15,000 Israeli shekels (approximately \$4,200). (Wafa 18 September 2018)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the town of Silet al-Harithiya, to the west of Jenin in the occupied West Bank, and seized a large sum of money from inside one of the homes. The IOA raided, searched and wreaked havoc in the home of Mothana Jaradat before seizing around 15,000 Israeli shekels (approximately \$4,185). (Wafa 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians and injured four others, after dozens of soldiers and officers accompanied nearly 300 settlers in provocative tours into the courtyards of the Al-Aqsa Mosque, in occupied Jerusalem. The IOA including undercover officers, assaulted many Palestinians, wounding four employees of the Waqf department. The IOA also detained five Palestinians, including Waqf Employees, identified as Haitham Halawani, Raed Zghayyar, Salman Abu Sbeih, Gheith Nasser Gheith and Mahmoud Mo'nes. The attacks took place following a series of provocative tours by the IOA and settlers into the holy site through the al-Magharba Gate. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two young men, identified as Hamza Zghayyar and Rami Fakhouri, from the Old City of Jerusalem. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Rania Wajeeh Dweik, after stopping her at the Container roadblock, northeast of Bethlehem. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded and ransacked many homes in Hebron, in the southern part of the West Bank, and detained Ahmad Mahmoud al-Qadi, Fadi Yousef Ghneimat and Bassam Mohammad Ismael. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Karim Abu Latifa and Shadi Ya'coub, from their homes in Qalandia refugee camp, north of occupied East Jerusalem. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Samer Hamdi from his home in Nablus, in the northern part of the West Bank. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)

- In Qalqilia, in northern West Bank, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Ameer Zamari, Wahbi al-Khouli and Ayyoub Farouq Abu Haniyya. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a former political prisoner, identified as Mohammad Abdul-Latif Sheebani, from his home in Jenin, in northern West Bank. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Mahmoud al-Latif while he was leaving al-Aqsa Mosque and transferred to one of the detention and interrogation centers in the city. (Wafa 18 September 2018)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Thousands of ultra-Orthodox Jews and Israeli settlers entered the Ibrahim Mosque compound in the southern occupied Governorate of Hebron, and held celebrations inside and outside the mosque on the occasion of the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur. (Maannews 18 September 2018)
- Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound, and performed religious Jewish prayers under the protection of heavily armed Israeli forces. Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed the compound through the Moroccan Gate in successive groups. Many of the Israeli settlers performed religious Jewish prayers on the occasion of the upcoming Jewish holidays. Israeli settlers have called for increased visits to the compound, to perform rituals, due to Israel's Yom Kippur also known as the Day of Atonement, one of the most sacred holidays in Judaism, which starts at sunset, on Tuesday, and ends at sunset, on Wednesday. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- Israeli Settlers prevented Palestinian shepherds from entering lands near Khirbet al-Himma in the northern Jordan Valley. (Wafa 18 September 2018)
- More than 50 settlers attacked and assaulted Palestinian quarry workers in Al Hamra and Al Harayeq areas in Jama'in village, south of Nablus city and carried out provocative actions in the area. (Wafa 18 September 2018)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) ordered to stop the construction work on a ready-mix cement factory in the city of Hebron and confiscated its equipment. The so-called Israeli Civil Administration, backed by IOA and accompanied with cranes and trucks, ordered to stop the construction work on a readymix factory located on the outskirts of the city of Hebron. Forces further confiscated the factory's equipment. (WAFA 18 September 2018)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

- The Israeli military authorities have announced a master plan for the expansion of an Israeli settlement to the south of Hebron, in the southern West Bank, that would lead to the expropriation of 260 dunums of Palestinian land in the town of Dahriyeh. The settlements subcommittee in the so-called Civil Administration, an arm of the Israeli military government in charge of the occupied West Bank, announced the plan that would change the classification of the land in question from agricultural into urban in order to justify expanding the settlement. It said the plan will see the construction of around 150 housing units in addition to roads and open areas. (WAFA 18 September 2018)

Expansion of settlements

- Israeli construction of settlements has tripled in the second quarter of 2018, compared to the first quarter. The second quarter of 2018, 794 settlement units were built, compared to 279 settlement units built in the first quarter of this year. In the first half of 2018, 1,073 settlement units were built in the settlements, compared with only 870 in the first half of 2017. (PEACENOW, ICB, IMEMC 18 September 2018)
- A plan approved by the Israeli Civil Administration, to construct 220 illegal Israeli settlement units in the Palestinian neighborhood of Jabal al-Mukabbir, in occupied East Jerusalem. The running candidate for the Jerusalem Municipality Aryeh King, a right-wing, ultra-Orthodox who is heading the "United" faction, said that the 220 new settlement units will be constructed at the initiative of Israeli businessmen as well as international. The units would serve as part of the expansion plan for the Israeli settlement of Nof Tzion, adjacent to the area in question. The construction plan was approved by the Israeli Civil

Administration, noting that the plan is still open to objections. (Maannews 18 September 2018)

Israeli Closures

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the [village of Bardala](#), in the northern Jordan Valley, under the pretext of searching for "unauthorized" water holes. The IOA stormed the area and closed a number of water holes that they claimed were "illegal." (Wafa 18 September 2018)
- The Israeli authorities declared closure on the occupied West Bank and the besieged Gaza Strip starting late Tuesday night until late Wednesday for the Yom Kippur Jewish holiday. All crossings with the Gaza Strip will be closed, only allowing passage for humanitarian and medical cases holding special permits. Israeli checkpoints allowing entry into Israel from the West Bank would also be closed. In addition, Israel will also be imposing closure on the West Bank and Gaza for the upcoming Jewish holiday of Sukkot, also known as the Feast of Tabernacles, closing all crossings from Saturday's midnight, September 22nd, until Monday October 1st. (IMEMC 18 September 2018)

Other

- The Israeli government announced Monday that it plans to absorb 1,000 Ethiopian Jews, accepting just a fraction of the African country's 8,000 remaining Jews who want to move to Israel. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that the Ministerial Committee on the Advancement and Integration of Israeli Citizens of Ethiopian Origin had agreed to allow community members who already have children in Israel to immigrate. It was not clear what the government plans to do with respect to the remaining 7,000 people. "This is the 11th meeting of this ministerial committee. At the previous meeting I promised to submit a recommendation regarding the Falash Mura and after consulting with MKs [David] Amsalem and [Avraham] Neguise, I am pleased to inform you that I have decided that approximately 1,000 community members – whose children are already here – must be brought to Israel," Netanyahu told committee members. "This is not a simple decision due to other ramifications that we have regarding members of the Ethiopian community; however, I am determined to do this and I add that this is in wake of 1,300 Falash Mura who have already come to Israel." The prime minister

said the move reflects "the importance with which we have been handling this precious community, which is part of our people and part of our state." Neguise, a Likud lawmaker and member of the special committee, said that while he welcomes the government's decision, he was disappointed that this issue has yet to be resolved. "We won't cease in our mission, our struggle until everyone is reunited with their family here in Israel," he said. Neguise said the committee did not discuss plans for the remaining 7,000 Ethiopian Jews in Monday's meeting. Alisa Bodner, a spokeswoman for Struggle for Ethiopian Aliyah, a group petitioning the government to allow Ethiopian Jews to immigrate, called Netanyahu's decision an "incredible disappointment" and "another spit in the face" for Israel's Ethiopian community. The group called on Netanyahu to provide a path to citizenship for the remaining 7,000 members of the Jewish Ethiopian community without delay. Many of the 8,000 are practicing Jews and have relatives in Israel, but Israel does not consider them Jewish under strict religious law, meaning their immigration requires special approval. The 8,000 are descendants of Ethiopian Jews who were forcibly converted to Christianity around a century ago, and the Israeli government views bringing them to Israel as family reunification rather than "aliya," or Jewish immigration. Israel agreed in 2015 to bring the remaining Ethiopians to Israel, but has not authorized funding for their move. The families allege discrimination. Israel is home to approximately 144,000 Jews of Ethiopian descent, the majority of whom immigrated to Israel in the 1980s and 1990s. Last year Israel approved immigration for 1,300 Ethiopians with relatives who had already immigrated. But their assimilation into Israeli society has not been smooth, with many arriving without a formal education and then falling into unemployment and poverty. Ethiopian Jews have also protested in recent years against perceived discrimination in Israeli society. ([ISRAELHAYOM](#) 18 September 2018)

- The Oslo Process May Be Dead, but Its Impact Is Very Much Visible: A Photo Essay: The 25 years that have passed since the signing of the Oslo Accords between Israel and the Palestinians have left their mark on the State of Israel and on the areas of the West Bank under the control of the Palestinian Authority. The people who were part of the process have not escaped the effects of time, but even more than time, it is the provisions of the accords that have changed and also scarred Israel's landscapes and the territories beyond the 1967 borders. While their social and moral impact on Israeli and Palestinian society are hard to assess or document, the concrete impact of the accords is very much in evidence on the ground — even if we have already become

accustomed to it and if the average Israel views it as natural and as having always existed. That is what I was sent by Haaretz to photograph on the 25th anniversary of the start of the Oslo process. From the start, it was clear that I was not sufficiently familiar with the subject. I therefore beg the forgiveness of former Supreme Court Justice Elyakim Rubinstein, who due to a mistake on my part, was a candidate as a subject of my photo essay until the phone call in which he explained to me that he was not connected to Oslo in any way. I started reading and asking everyone whom I came across – neighbors, acquaintances, random Palestinians whom I met and historians of the conflict, what Oslo meant to them. This research generated an endless list of images that due to lack of time was mercifully shortened. Once the concept took shape, I set out to begin taking the photos. ([Haaretz](#) 18 September 2018)