

ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 31 August 2018

 ${f T}$ he daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats Palestinian the occupied territory, the in 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 against Palestinian violence 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

• An Israeli navy ship fired live rounds at a Palestinian fishing boat in the Sudaniyya Sea area, west of Gaza city, causing serious damage to the boat, in addition to spraying the fishermen and their boat with water cannons. The navy attacked them with live fire, forcing them to sail several nautical miles towards the southern part of the Gaza Strip in an attempt to avoid further assaults, but the navy chased them. The navy then stopped the fishermen and ordered them to stand at the edge of the boat before spraying them with water cannons, pushing one of them, identified as Misbah Nafeth Salah, off the boat for an approximate distance of twelve meters. The fisherman then swam toward the boat, while the navy sprayed it with more condensed water, damaging its engine and GPS system. The navy then left the area, and the fishermen started trying to salvage their boat. (IMEMC 31 August 2018)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked dozens of nonviolent Palestinian protesters, near the central West Bank city of Ramallah, and shot a government minister with a rubber-coated steel bullet in his ear, in addition to wounding four other Palestinians. The IOA shot Minister Walid Assaf, the head of the National Commission against the Annexation Wall and Colonies, with a rubber-coated steel bullet in his ear. The IOA assaulted many Palestinians, wounding four of them, during a nonviolent procession against an Israeli military order illegally confiscating private-owned lands in Ras Karkar village, northwest of Ramallah. They were also protesting the illegal bulldozing and uprooting of the lands when the soldiers resorted to the excessive use of force. (IMEMC 31 August 2018)

Israeli Military Orders

• The Israeli Occupation of Army (IOA) ordered a Palestinian family, from the southern occupied West Bank city of Hebron, to stop reconstruction on their home, and detained the workers. The IOA Ishaq Maharmeh's house in the Old City of Hebron, which is under full Israeli control, and ordered him to stop reconstruction and maintenance work at the house. The IOA stopped work under the pretext that Maharmeh must obtain military permission issued by the Israeli Civil Administration, first. The IOA detained several workers who were working on renovation inside Maharmeh's home. (IMEMC 31 August 2018)

Other

• The Trump administration has cut all funding to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA), questioning the organization's "fundamental business model" of servicing an "endlessly and exponentially expanding community" of declared Palestinian refugees. The move was previewed by US media outlets in recent weeks after emails from President Donald Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner, were leaked showing his interest in "disrupting" the UN body. (<u>IPOST</u> 31 August 2018)