



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) and police officers attacked several Coptic Christian priests in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, in occupied Jerusalem and detained one of them. The attack took place after the Coptic Church in occupied Jerusalem organized a peaceful protest near Deir es-Sultan Monastery, located on the roof of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, rejecting an Israeli decision denying the church the right to conduct the needed renovation work inside the holy

site. This is happening while workers of the City Council are conducting unauthorized renovation work, without the approval of the Coptic Church. The IOA and police officers surrounded the protesting priests, before assaulting and pushing them with excessive use of force, causing several injuries. The police forcibly removed the priests, and detained one of them, before allowing the City Council workers into the holy site. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and ransacked dozens of homes in Arraba town, west of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, especially in the ar-Ras ash-Shamali area, and interrogated many Palestinians. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Dahiat al-Barid area, south of the ar-Ram town, northeast of occupied East Jerusalem, surrounded the building of the Palestinian Governorate and Jerusalem Affairs Ministry, and prevented the employees from entering or leaving it. The IOA and police officers, encircled the entire area, and invaded many surrounding buildings before occupying their rooftops to use them as monitoring posts. The IOA photographed the governorate building from several directions, before withdrawing from the area. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Jerusalem Governor [Adnan Gheith](#), and the head of the Intelligence Services in the Palestinian suburbs of East Jerusalem, Lieutenant Jihad al-Faqeeh, and released them later on Monday. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) killed a young Palestinian man in Tammoun town, and injured eleven others, east of Tubas, in northeastern West Bank. The young man, identified as Mohammad Mahmoud Bsharat, 21, was shot with a live round in the back, and died from his wounds shortly afterwards. Many Palestinian protested the militate invasion into their town, the IOA responded with many live rounds, in addition to gas bombs, concussion grenades and rubber-coated steel bullets at the protesters. The IOA shot three Palestinians with live fire, including one who suffered a moderate-to-severe wound, and three others with rubber-coated steel bullets, while at least

five Palestinians suffered the effects of teargas inhalation. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed in fortified sniper posts hundreds of meters across the border fence, killed a teen, and injured five other Palestinian, east of Deir al-Balah, in central Gaza. Montaser Mohammad Ismael al-Baz, 17, was shot and seriously injured with a live round in the head. The five other Palestinians were shot live ammunition, when the IOA targeted Palestinian protesters in their lands, near the perimeter fence, in central Gaza. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)

Israeli Arrests

- Several Israeli army jeeps invaded the town of al-'Isawiya, in the center of occupied East Jerusalem, and detained three Palestinians, including two children. The three were identified as Adam Mustafa, in addition to two children, Ahmad Abdul-Rauf Mahmoud and Samir Atiyya. The IOA cuffed and blindfolded the three Palestinians, and took them to an interrogation facility in Jerusalem. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Mo'men Shorafa and Ibrahim Hasan al-Mahdi, from Shweika area, north of Tulkarem. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Mohammad Firas Mahdawi, from his home in the Eastern Neighborhood, in Tulkarem. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained invaded and searched homes in Beit Lid town, southwest of Tulkarem, and detained Mohannad Ahmad al-Koo', along with his son Jamal, 18, and Mahdi Adeeb Ibrahim, 25. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) managed to arrest a Palestinian in Thannaba village, east of Tulkarem, and arrested the Palestinian. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)

- Israeli navy ships opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats, nearly two nautical in Gaza territorial waters in the al-Waha sea in Beit Lahia, in the northern part of the coastal region, before surrounding a small boat with two fishermen onboard, and detained them. The two fishermen have been identified as Awad Nafeth Sultan, 21, from Beit Lahia, and Ahmad Emad Siyam, 20, from the Shati refugee camp, west of Gaza city. They were taken to an unknown destination, and their boat was confiscated. In the afternoon of the same day, the Israeli navy fired many live rounds at Palestinian fishing boats, less than four nautical miles from the shore, in Sheikh Ejleen Beach, southwest of Gaza city, and surrounded them, before detaining two fishermen, and confiscated their boat. The two fishermen have been identified as Mahmoud Mohammad Miqdad, 35, and Hasan Soheil Miqdad, 26, from the Shati' refugee camp. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Dozens of Israeli settlers invaded Al-Aqsa Mosque Compound, escorted by a large police and military force. The attack was carried out by at least 59 settlers, in addition to the soldiers and officers, and took place through the al-Magharba Gate. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

- The Israeli government has approved the expansion of Road #60, between Hebron and Jerusalem, in the occupied West Bank. The Israeli Transportation Minister, Yisrael Katz, has authorized the illegal annexation of thousands of DunUms of Palestinian lands, to expand the road. The road would be expanded to include four lanes, with a width of approximately 100 meters, and would lead to the annexation of thousands of Dunums from the towns of al-Khader, Beit Jala and al-Ma'sara, in Bethlehem governorate, in addition to Beit Ummar, north of Hebron. (IMEMC 24 October 2018)

Other

- Regional councils in the West Bank receive the highest government funding in comparison to other regional councils across the country, according to a report issued by the Knesset's Research and Information

Center. The report was ordered by the Knesset's Transparency Committee Chairwoman Knesset member Stav Shaffir (Zionist Union). It determines that regional councils in the West Bank receive a quarter of Israel's state grants, even though they represent only 5 percent of the country's regional councils. "The Israeli Government doesn't see its citizens, and lies to the residents of the periphery," MK Shaffir said. The report gathered data from several sources and reviewed the funding the regional councils had received between 2015-2016 in education, and welfare as well as support grants from Ministry of Interior. However, the latest report did not include security budgets, as opposed to previous reports issued by the Knesset. According to the findings, a student in the settlements receives NIS 15,900 per year, while the national average stands on NIS 9,800. In addition, it was found that support grants to regional councils in the West Bank are larger than the ones other Israeli regional councils receive. The report indicates that residents of the two ultra-Orthodox cities in the West Bank—Modiin Illit and Beitar Illit—received 6.6% of all support grants, despite the fact they represent only 2.7% of Israel's population. Furthermore, the residents of the West Bank regional councils are also funded in a disproportionate way to their number. They receive NIS 99.8 million, making up 9.2% of all grants, even though they make up 6.7% of residents in regional councils in Israel. The biggest gap was evident in the budget to regional councils: NIS 144 million, which is a quarter of all budgets to regional councils in Israel, go to regional councils located in the West Bank, while these councils constitute only 5% of all the country's regional councils. "This report is really not a surprise," Shaffir told Ynet. "It only repeats the data we have been gathered in the past years, and it's only becoming more and more evident. "What we are seeing here," Shaffir continued, "is an official report from the Knesset's Research Center, that looked into the budgets and concluded they exceed budgets to any other part of Israel—including the periphery communities." This is only the tip of the iceberg, since the report doesn't include the budgets that are transferred outside the budget plan, like the Settlement Division's budgets that are mostly invested in the West Bank settlements and not in the State of Israel," said Shaffir. "This is the answer to Orna Peretz from Kiryat Shmona, who [asked](#) the prime minister where are the budgets for health facilities in the north. There are many sought-for budgets to be found in this report, budgets that the north has been waiting for for a long time," Shaffir concluded. (YNETNEWS 24 October 2018)