

# **ARIJ Daily Report**

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# Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 15 February 2019

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats occupied Palestinian territory, the in 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 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

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the Great Return March processions, ongoing for the 47<sup>th</sup> consecutive week in the besieged Gaza Strip, and injured dozens of Palestinians, including at least twenty with live fire, one of them a child, who suffered a life-threatening injury after the IOA shot him with a live round in the chest. The child was shot east of the al-Boreij refugee camp, in central Gaza. Furthermore, a Palestinian woman, 29, was injured with a

shrapnel in her head, causing a moderate wound. The soldiers also shot and moderately injured a photojournalist, identified as Mohammad Za'noun, east of Gaza city. (IMEMC 15 February 2019)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly nonviolent procession against the illegal Annexation Wall and Colonies in Bil'in village, west of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, causing many to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation. The Palestinians, accompanied by Israeli and international peace activists, marched from the center of the village heading towards the wall in Abu Lemon area, in the southern part of the village. They chanted for liberty, independence and ending the illegal Israeli occupation and its colonies, built in direct violation of International Law and the Fourth Geneva Convention. The IOA fired many live rounds, rubber-coated steel bullets, gas bombs and concussion grenades, causing many nonviolent protesters to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation. (IMEMC 15 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot four Palestinians, including one who suffered life-threatening wounds, after dozens of residents held Friday prayers on lands Israel intends to illegally confiscate for its colonialist and military activities, in Orif village, south of the northern West Bank city of Nablus. The IOA placed several sand hills in the eastern area of Orif village, to isolate large areas of Palestinian lands. The Palestinians then headed to their lands, and performed Friday prayers there, to protest the Israeli violation and the theft of their lands and protested the army's attempts to dig an agricultural road for the benefit of the illegal colonies. The IOA fired many live rounds, rubber-coated steel bullets and gas bombs, wounding two Palestinians with live fire, including one who sustained a serious injury to his abdomen, and causing many others to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation. (IMEMC 15 February 2019)

#### Israeli Arrests

• An Israeli court sentenced the imam of Jerusalem's al-Aqsa Mosqueto house confinement. An Israeli patrol kidnapped Imam Walid Seyam from his family home, hours before an Israeli court ruled that he was subjected to house arrest until Friday. An Israeli intelligence unit stormed Seyam's home in Jerusalem's Old City and wreaked havoc on the building, before they dragged the imam to the Qishleh detention center, west of occupied Jerusalem. (IMEMC 15 February 2019)

#### Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers dug an agricultural road on private Palestinian lands in Orif Village south of the northern West Bank city of Nablus. The settlers started placing sand hills to prevent the villagers from entering them. This happened just hours after dozens of settlers protested on Palestinian lands, owned by villagers of Orif, and demanded the army to prevent the Palestinians from entering them. It is worth mentioning that Israel is trying to annex more than 200 Dunams of Palestinian lands, located in Area B of the occupied West Bank, to expand its illegal colonies. In preparation for the illegal measure, the Israeli army installed a military post on the Palestinian lands. It is worth mentioning that many settlers invaded Orif and Aseera al-Qibliya villages, and attacked many Palestinian homes, before the villagers intercepted them and chased them away. The IOA then invaded the two villages, and opened fire at the Palestinians. (IMEMC 15 February 2019)
- Israeli settlers attacked the homes of Palestinians in the village of Asira al-Qiblia, southwest of occupied West Bank city of Nablus. A number of settlers, protected by a military escort, attacked Palestinian homes with stones, in the outskirts of the village. This came hours after settlers carried out a similar attack on homes in the nearby village of Urif. (IMEMC 15 February 2019)

## Home Demolition & Demolition threats

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) cut off the water supply lines which provide water to the <u>Masafer Yatta</u> communities, south of Hebron which feed 17 communities in Masafer Yatta. The measures comes in the context of targeting citizens and their steadfastness in those areas, in an attempt to force them to leave their homes to illegal Israeli settlement expansion. (IMEMC 15 February 2019)

#### **Confiscation & Razing of lands**

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) razed and leveled lands in the Urif village, in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus. The IOA also sealed a road with dirt mounds to prevent villagers from reaching their agricultural lands. The razing comes hours after Israeli settlers, from the nearby illegal Israeli settlement of Yitzhar, complained about the opening of an agricultural road for Palestinian farmers in Urif, which caused clashes to erupt between locals and the IOA and settlers. (Maannews 15 February 2019)

