

# **ARIJ Daily Report**

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# Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 7 February 2019

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats occupied Palestinian territory, the 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 civilians violence 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) fired several artillery shells into Palestinian areas, east of Khan Younis, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip. The IOA stationed in a military base across the perimeter fence, fired many tank shells into the farmlands, causing damage. (IMEMC 7 February 2019) • The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired three artillery shells into two security centers, east of the al-Fakhari town, east of Khan Younis, casing damage. The ioa also fired a burst of live rounds into the center, while military jets flew overhead. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)

#### Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian man, and confiscated his car and a large sum of money, in Hebron governorate, in the southern part of the West Bank. The IOA stopped and searched many cars in Yatta town, south of Hebron, before detaining Emad Mahmoud Abu Samra. The IOA also illegally confiscated his car, and 40.000 Shekels he carried with him. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)
- A Palestinian detainee from Gaza, who has been held by Israel since 1991, died from serious complications resulting from being denied required specialized medical attention. The detainee, Fares Mohammad Baroud, 51, from the Shati' refugee camp, west of Gaza city, died shortly after being moved to Soroka Israeli medical center. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)
- A Palestinian political prisoner at the Ramon Israeli prison was forced into solitary confinement, when he threw boiling water at a soldier after the guards attacked many detainees. The detainee, Malek Ahmad Hamed, 23, from Silwad town, northeast of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, was attacked by several soldiers before he was placed in solitary confinement. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained six Palestinians from their homes, in several parts of the occupied West Bank. The IOA conducted violent searches of homes, and interrogation many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards. The IOA detained Tareq al-Eqeili, Mohammad Abu Salem and Ahmad Abu Saleh, from Hebron governorate, in southern West Bank. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Mohammad Adnan 'Aabed and Salem Mahmoud Mahameed, from their homes in Jenin governorate, in northern West Bank. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)

- In Ramallah, in central West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained one Palestinian, identified as Adham Kamel al-Awadi. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two members of the International Solidarity Movement (ISM), in the southern occupied West Bank city of Hebron while securing movement of Palestinian elementary school students. The IOA detained the two international activists while near the Qurtuba School, adjacent to an illegal Israeli settlement, securing students' way out of their school. The internationals were identified only as an American and an Italian activists, who were doing the work of members of the Temporary International Presence in Hebron (TIPH) as the Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu had decided last week <u>not to extend their</u> <u>mandate</u>, expelling them from the city. (Maannews 7 February 2019)

#### Home Demolition & Demolition threats

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) displaced dozens of Bedouin Palestinian families from their tents and dwellings in several parts of the West Bank's Northern Plains, in order to conduct military training. The IOA removed the families from the areas of ar-Ras al-Ahmar, Al-Mayta, al-Borj and Hammamat al-Maleh. The families were seen leaving their dwellings on agricultural tractors and trucks, while military vehicles, including tanks, rolled into the area. Last week, the families received ordered informing them that they must leave their dwellings, Wednesday, from ten in the morning until five in the evening. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)

#### **Expansion of settlements**

• The so-called "Planning and Building Committee" of the Jerusalem municipality, approved a plan to build 13 settlement units west of the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood of East Jerusalem. Israeli authorities will evacuate the Palestinian population from that area and offer them compensation, after the plan is approved. The owner of this settlement project, a businessman from the settlers, whose daughter was seriously

injured in a shooting near "Ofra" occurred recently. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)

In recent weeks, settlers have reestablished the illegal outpost Tekoa E. Two buildings have been erected so far and a number of young men and women are on the spot. The outpost is located two kilometers south of the Tekoa settlement in the area run by the Gush Etzion Regional Council east of Bethlehem. In the past, a road was opened at the point where the outpost was built from the nearby Tekoa D outpost, and today, too, it is used by the settlers to reach the site. Although the outpost was evacuated in the past, it was rebuilt. This is the second time that settlers have tried to establish this outpost. It was established for the first time under the auspices of the Gush Etzion Regional Council after the abduction and murder of the three youths in the summer of 2014. At the time, the Council set up a number of caravans in the illegal outpost, but after a few weeks the settlers evacuated the area after reaching an agreement with the defense minister in return for a plan that would approve and retroactively legalize neighboring Tekoa D, according to media reports. It was also reported that the defense minister promised the settlers that in return for evacuating the outpost he would approve the construction of a farm in Tekoa E. In March 2013, the Blue Line team of the Civil Administration completed the work determining that the area on which the Tekoa E outpost was built was considered "state land." However, the area of the outpost was not included in the jurisdiction of any settlement, as was the adjacent outpost, Tekoa D. The establishment of the Tekoa E outpost in the last few weeks joins a number of new illegal outposts that have been established over the past twelve months. For more details about the previous establishment of the outpost, <u>click here</u>. (<u>PEACENOW</u> 7 February 2019)

## **Erection of Outposts**

• Israeli settlers, set up new mobile caravans on Palestinian-owned agricultural lands between Yaabad town and Zabda village, south of the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Jenin. The mayor of Yaabad, Samer Abu Bakr, stated that Israeli settlers set up caravans under the heavy protection of Israeli occupation army (IOA) on agricultural lands, of which hundreds of dunams have been seized by Israeli authorities. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)

• The Israeli occupation army (IOA) began to set up polls with security cameras on Palestinian lands located along the main road between the Jenin and Tulkarem districts, near the illegal Israeli settlements of Hermesh and Mabu Dutan. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)

#### **Erection of Israeli checkpoints**

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) installed a military roadblock at Beit Anoun Junction, north of Hebron, before stopping and searching dozens of cars, and interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)

#### Other

• The Republican-controlled United States Senate has passed legislation that would allow state and local governments to sanction those who support the BDS movement (Boycott, Divest and Sanctions) against Israel, with a 77-23 vote in favor. The bill will now move to the House of Representatives, currently ruled by a Democratic majority. (IMEMC 7 February 2019)