



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.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Dozens of young Palestinian students and school staff suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, after Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked their school. The IOA surrounded the Hebron Elementary School and heavily fired tear-gas bombs towards the students and teachers on their way to school, resulting in dozens suffering from tear-gas inhalation. The Young students were forced to run in fear for their lives into the school for safety. The school is one of nine Palestinian schools located in the H2 area of Hebron, which falls under Israel's military control, in addition school children have to pass through military checkpoints in the H2 area to access their schools. (Maannews 21 April 2019)

Israeli Arrests

- An Israeli court ruled, to release four Jerusalemites, under the condition of house arrest and banned them from entry to their homes in the Silwan neighborhood, in occupied East Jerusalem. Israeli authorities will release the four Jerusalemites under the condition of house arrest, being banned from their homes for seven consecutive days, and paying a financial bail of 1,000 shekels (\$278) each. The four were identified as Hamza Asila, Ibrahim Ghaith, Adi Ghaith, and Ahmad Ghaith, who were all detained within the past two weeks and were taken in for interrogation by Israeli police forces for an unknown reason. (Maannews 21 April 2019)

Israeli Settler Violence

- A speeding Israeli settlers rammed with his car a Palestinian child in the al-Ferdees Mountain area, east of Bethlehem, in the occupied West Bank. The child, only five years of age, suffered various cuts and bruises, and that his wounds were described as moderate-but-stable. (IMEMC 21 April 2019)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) have demolished two family apartments belonging to Arafat Irfaiya. Dozens of Israeli occupation

Army (IOA) along with military vehicles had escorted bulldozers and other demolition equipment which took down the family home of Irfaiya, a 29-year-old Palestinian resident of the West Bank town Hebron. Confrontations erupted, between local young men and Israeli troops, after the demolition, during which the IOA fired tear gas canisters and stun grenades towards protesters. No injuries were reported. (IMEMC 21 April 2019)

Israeli Closures

- Israeli occupation police closed the sports arena of Beit Safafa, in Jerusalem, and banned Palestinians from organizing a soccer tournament. The IOA stormed the arena and put up a notice ordering the closure of the playing field and the prohibition of local residents from holding a tournament. The notice, which was signed by Israeli security minister Gilad Erdan, said he took his decision, in this regard, because the tournament would be organized in honor of the Palestinian Prisoners Day. (IMEMC 21 April 2019)

Other

- For the first time, Israeli authorities decided this year to deny all travel permits to Palestinian Christians from Gaza to celebrate Easter as they do each year, by processing from Bethlehem to Jerusalem to follow the path of Jesus in the Resurrection. The number of permits issued by the occupying Israeli military authorities have diminished each year, and have included blanket bans on anyone under age 55 – but this is the first year that the Israeli military decided to allow zero Palestinian Christians from Gaza to travel to Jerusalem for Easter. There are around 1,100 Palestinian Christians in Gaza, many of whom are descended from the earliest Christians in Palestine. (IMEMC 21 April 2019)