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.

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Israeli Arrests

- Many Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and police officers invaded a Palestinian home in the al-‘Isawiya town, in occupied East Jerusalem, after destroying the main door of the property, and detained a child in front of his brothers. The IOA used tools to damage the front door of a home, owned by Wa‘el Abu Hadwan al-Fakhouri, and invaded it, causing severe anxiety attacks among seven children, who were alone in the property without their parents. The children were trying to open the heavy door for the soldiers to enter the property without causing damage, but the army went ahead and destroyed it. The IOA then detained Saleh al-Fakhouri, 13, after placing him in a car driven by undercover officers. The IOA detained the child, and took him to the police in Salaheddin Street, in Jerusalem, after accusing him of throwing stones at army jeeps. The family owns their home, stores and lands in the area since the year 1954, before Israel occupied East Jerusalem in 1967, but are facing constant invasions, violent searches and attempts to confiscate their property and force them out. (IMEMC 8 August 2019)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from Jenin, in the northern part of the West Bank identified as Mohammad Hanaysha, Hadi Sabah Nazzal and Fadi Zakarneh. (IMEMC 8 August 2019)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded Ramallah and Al-Bireh in the central West Bank and detained Omar Issa Eshtayeh and Oraib Baker Nasr, both from Kafr Na‘ma town and Thaer Samir Nakhleh from Jalazoun refugee camp. (IMEMC 8 August 2019)

- The Israeli occupation detained Qusai ‘Abd Elayyan and Husam Sameeh’ Olayan from the town of al-‘Issawiya in Jerusalem. (IMEMC 8 August 2019)

Israeli Settler Violence
• Israeli settlers attacked with stones Palestinian vehicles passing at route 60 near the village of Lubban Esharqia, north of Ramallah in the occupied West Bank. Settlers attacked vehicles while passing near the village, causing partial damages to some of them. Other drivers, meanwhile, opted for longer, alternative routes in order to avert the stone-attack. (WAFA 8 August 2019)

• Tension was high at Jerusalem’s Al-Aqsa Mosque, Islam’s third holiest site worldwide, after a large group of Jewish fanatics started to perform Jewish rituals of dancing and singing as they walked through the plaza of Al-Haram Al-Sharif, or the noble sanctuary. 260 Israeli settlers entered in groups the Muslim holy place during the daily visit hours, most of them were members of hardline extremist religious groups who started to perform loud and open rituals and signing provoking the Muslim worshippers at the holy site. Police usually escort the fanatics as they walk through the plaza of Al-Aqsa Mosque compound and are supposed to prevent any religious rituals by non-Muslims. However, the signing and shouting continued as the religious fanatics walked until they exited the area. Jewish hardline religious groups have called on their followers to force their way into Al-Aqsa Mosque on Al Adha Eid. The Jewish groups seek to take over and destroy Al-Aqsa Mosque to build a Jewish temple on its ruins, a move that could trigger religious strife in the region if carried out. (WAFA 8 August 2019)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

• Several Israeli army vehicles, accompanied by personnel of the “Civil Administration Office,” the executive branch of Israel’s illegal military occupation, invaded Beit Awwa town, west of Hebron, in the southern part of the occupied West Bank, and delivered orders for the demolition of four Palestinian homes and an industrial structure. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Khallet al-Fool area in the town, and delivered the demolition orders to Ali Ahmad Sweity, Tha’er Abdul-Hadi Abu Ghalia, Hasan Abdul-Fattah Sweity and Mohammad Aref Mousa Sweity. The IOA also handed Wisam Abdul-Aziz Sweity a demolition order targeting his industrial structure. The Israeli army is claiming that the buildings were constructed without a permit from the Civil Administration Office. The buildings are within the structural plan of the town, and therefore, are under Local Council’s jurisdiction and were licensed by it. (IMEMC 8 August 2019)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the ar-Ras al-Ahmar area in the West Bank’s Northern Plains, and confiscated a tractor, owned by Ahmad Thiab Abu Kheizaran. The confiscation comes days after the army took several cars, trucks and agricultural tractors of the locals in the same area. (IMEMC 8 August 2019)

Expansion of settlements

• The so-called “Civil Administration Office” the executive branch of Israel’s illegal occupation, has approved the construction of 300 additional units in Gush Etzion settlement bloc, south of Bethlehem, in the occupied West Bank. Israeli Channel 7 has reported that the Civil Administration Office has made the official approval of the units in Etzion. (IMEMC 8 August 2019)

• The Israeli government has approved the plans for the construction of 2,430 units for Jewish settlers in Israeli settlements in the occupied West bank. The approval was made by the so-called High Planning Committee of the Israeli “Civil Administration,” the executive and administrative branch of the Israeli occupation in the West Bank, including occupied Jerusalem. The new plans do not only include expanding settlements, but also news constructions in outposts that were built without Israel’s approval, and therefore, they will be granted official approval before more units are added to them. 88% of the newly approved units are deep in the occupied West bank, and are located in settlements that Israel “is likely to be forced to evacuate as part of a future two-state agreement with the Palestinians.” (PEACENOW, IMEMC 8 August 2019)