



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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Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained more than 5,500 Palestinians from the occupied Palestinian territory during 2019; among them were 889 children and at least 128 women. The number of Palestinian prisoners and detainees in the prisons of the occupation up until this date reached approximately 5000, including 40 females, while the number of child detainees reached approximately 200 children, and the number of administrative detainees reached about 450. The Israeli occupation authorities escalated their arbitrary arrests of Palestinian minors and women, and practiced various forms of torture against them during and after their arrest, during the year 2019. (IMEMC 31 December 2019)

Israeli Settler Violence

- A number of Palestinian citizens suffered minor wounds when groups of Israeli settlers attacked with rocks cars travelling on a road between Nablus and Jenin in the northern West Bank. Dozens of Israeli settlers deployed near the evacuated settlement of Homesh and hurled rocks at Palestinian vehicles passing nearby. The attack resulted in partial damages to over 27 cars, adding that a number of Palestinian citizens were wounded by glass shards. (PALINFO 31 December 2019)
- At least 89 Jewish settlers desecrated the Aqsa Mosque under tight police protection. 31 students were among the settlers who toured the Mosque's courtyards and received explanations about the alleged temple mount. (PALINFO 31 December 2019)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

- Gun-toting Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) forced a number of Palestinian farmers to leave their lands adjacent to the illegal settlement of Shavi Shomron. The IOA along with the settlement's security prevented the farmers, with force, from planting apricot trees on their land, funded by the Anti-Wall and Anti-Settlements Commission and the Economic Development Center. The IOA claimed that the land was off limits to the

farmers, and that they needed to obtain permission to work on it. (IMEMC 31 December 2019)

Expansion of settlements

- Jewish settler groups established a Talmudic museum in the Palestinian district of Silwan, east of Occupied Jerusalem. settler societies had built a three-story Jewish museum over 1,390 square meters of land in Ein al-Fawqa neighborhood in Silwan, which is located a few meters away from the Aqsa Mosque. (PALINFO 31 December 2019)

Other

- Defense Minister Naftali Bennett is preparing a plan that would see registration of homes and property in Area C of Yehudah and Shomron (Yesha) transferred from the Civil Administration to the Israel Land Registry, with the same procedures for registry applying in Area C that apply in pre-1967 Israel. The plan is being developed and evaluated by legal experts, *Yisrael Hayom* reported, and Bennett plans to implement it in the near future. The Civil Administration is currently responsible for all civilian procedures in Yehudah and Shomron. It is a division of the Defense Ministry, and effectively governs all activities as part of the military government in the region. In order for Israeli law to apply, the procedure must be certified and approved by the Civil Administration. With the transfer of registration to the ILA, home and land owners will register their property in the “tabu,” the national registry database, and any Knesset legislation that affects homeowners will automatically apply in Yehudah and Shomron. *Yisrael Hayom* quoted officials in the Defense Ministry as saying that the move would increase Israel’s claim of sovereignty over Area C, essentially turning it into a part of Israel “proper” for legal issues surrounding land and home ownership. For years, many residents of Yehudah and Shomron have complained of a lack of responsiveness from the Civil Administration on issues such as obtaining building permits, adjudicating land ownership disputes, and more. The officials said that those issues would disappear when homes and land are registered in the “tabu,” since disputes and requests relating to homes and land would be handled by ILA officials and civil courts. (Israel Hayom 31 December 2019)