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Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine 9 March 2020

I he 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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Violations of the Israeli occupation Army

- Dozens of Palestinians suffocated, on tear-gas fired at them by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during confrontations that erupted in al-'Isawiya area of occupied Jerusalem. The IOA stormed several neighborhoods in al-'Isawiya and assaulted residents, firing concussion grenades, and tear-gas canisters at Palestinian residents and homes, causing dozens of cases of toxic tear-gas inhalation. (IMEMC 9 March 2020)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired tear-gas canisters and concussion grenades at Palestinian youths in the town of Taqou', southeast of the southern occupied West Bank city of Bethlehem. Confrontations flared up between Palestinian youths and Israeli occupation Army at the western entrance to the town of Taqou', which resulted in many of the youths to suffer the toxic effects of tear-gas, all of whom were treated at the scene. (IMEMC 9 March 2020)
- Dozens of Palestinians suffocated, due to tear-gas inhalation, in the town
 of Qabatia, south of Jenin, northern occupied West Bank. Clashes broke
 out during an Israeli military incursion into the town, during which the
 Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired a barrage of tear-gas canisters and
 stun grenades at residents, causing many cases of inhalation injury.
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Expansion of Israeli settlements

• The Defense Ministry has green-lighted planning for what it called a "sovereignty road" that would allow Palestinian traffic to bypass Israeli settlements in the E1 area of the West Bank. "We're applying sovereignty in deeds, not words," Defense Minister Naftali Bennett said on Monday, as he made a subtle dig at Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu for not having already annexed all of the West Bank settlements, including the area outside of Jerusalem where the road is located. As part of his reelection campaign, Netanyahu last month agreed to advance plans for 3,500 new homes in an unbuilt area of the Ma'aleh Adumim settlement, known as E1. To make the project tenable for area Palestinians,

roads are needed that would allow them to bypass that area, so that they could have continuous travel between their communities. The overall transportation project has been called the "fabric of life" road. Bennett has now pushed forward with a road that would link the Palestinian village of Azzim outside of Jerusalem with the neighboring villages and towns of Anata, Hizme and A-Ram. In his announcement to the media, the defense minister explained that this would be a "separate road" for Palestinians in the E1 area, which would allow for vehicles with Palestinian license plates to move on a separate route from those with Israeli license plates, so that they would not have to cross inside the Ma'aleh Adumim bloc. Bennett said that, "Today we are giving a green light to the sovereignty road and embarking on the process of connecting Jerusalem with Ma'aleh Adumim. The project will improve the quality of life for the residents in the area, avoid unnecessary friction with the Palestinian population and, most importantly, allow for continued settlement construction." Peace Now said it was disingenuous for the Defense Ministry to speak of improving life for the Palestinians when its sole concern was settlement expansion. Palestinians and the international community have opposed the E1 project. They have argued that it destroys any possibility of a contiguous Palestinian state and thus makes such a state untenable. Peace Now similarly said that the road project was "bad for Israel" because it eliminated the possibility of a two-state resolution to the conflict. (IPOST, PEACENOW 9 March 2020)