

Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine 14 February 2020

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats occupied Palestinian territory, in the 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 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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Violations of the Israeli occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire toward a group of citizens to the east of Khan Younis City, southern Gaza Strip. The IOA opened fire at a group of young men and children who are residents of Kouza'a neighborhood, east of <u>Khan Younis</u>. No injuries were reported.(IMEMC 14 February 2020)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) chased a number of Palestinian shepherds in al-Burj area of the northern Jordan Valley and detained some of them. The IOA detained at least three shepherds in al-Burj area, without stating if they were released later. (PALINFO 14 February 2020)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) imposed financial penalties on Aref Daraghmeh and another citizen to allow them to get back their vehicles that had been confiscated about two months ago. Daraghmeh was handed a notice ordering him to pay a 3,000 shekel fine for his car, which had been seized about 50 days ago by the IOA when he was documenting Israeli demolitions in Ras al-Ahmar area. Another citizen called Mufdi Sawafta was also ordered to pay over 2,000 shekels in order to reclaim his agricultural tractor. The IOA appropriated the tractor about two months ago when Sawafta was working his land in al-Maleh area of the northern Jordan Valley. (PALINFO 14 February 2020)
- Israeli Occupation police attacked Palestinian worshipers following the dawn prayer at al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem and arrested an elderly citizen. The Israeli police arrested an elderly Palestinian for distributing coffee to worshipers. The Israeli police further assaulted the worshipers who were present in Bab al-Asbat and Bab Hitta areas. The Israeli police since the early morning hours have tightened restrictions in Jerusalem and the roads leading to al-Aqsa Mosque in an attempt to hinder the movement of the Palestinian worshipers taking part in the "Great Fajr (dawn) Campaign". (PALINFO 14 February 2020)
- The Israeli occupation forces (IOF) on Friday afternoon opened fire at a resistance post in the east of Khan Yunis, south of the Gaza Strip. (PALINFO 14 February 2020)

- The Israeli military patrols behind the border fence opened fire at an observation point belonging to al-Quds Brigades of Islamic Jihad in Khuza'a town, east of Khan Yunis. No casualties have been reported in the shooting attack. (PALINFO 14 February 2020)
- Scores of Palestinian citizens were injured when Israeli occupation Army (IOA) violently quelled demonstrations in several West Bank areas against the settlement and the "deal of the century". Violent clashes broke out between Palestinian protesters and IOA following demonstrations in different villages and towns in Ramallah, al-Khalil and Qalqilya. The IOF attacked the peaceful protesters with live ammunition, rubber-coated metal bullets, stun grenades and tear gas canisters injuring dozens of them. (PALINFO 14 February 2020)
- In Beit Ummar town in Hebron in southern West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) climbed the rooftops of Palestinian homes, assaulted their residents, and installed a checkpoint at the entrance of the town. Hundreds of Palestinians took to the streets in the West Bank to protest the recent "peace plan" announced by the US president Donald Trump, which is known as the "deal of the century", and the ongoing settlement expansion on seized Palestinian land. (PALINFO 14 February 2020)

Israeli Settler Violence

• <u>Settlers</u> and right-wing activists warned Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu that he would lose votes for the March 2 election unless he applied sovereignty to the West Bank settlements now. "If you want the support of the Right – act like you are the leader of the Right," Samaria Regional Council head Yossi Dagan said as he addressed a rally of several thousand that was held on the street outside Netanyahu's Jerusalem residence. The crowd chanted "sovereignty now" and sang, "the Jewish people live." Netanyahu had initially pledged to apply sovereignty to all the West Bank settlements. But he held off at the request of the Trump administration, which wants both Israel and the US to jointly map out the territory, before any action is taken. At the rally, settles urged Netanyahu to ignored Washington and focus on his voters at home. (JPOST 14 February 2020)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli municipality of Jerusalem demolished a house belonging to a Palestinian citizen in the occupied Jerusalem neighborhood of Silwan, under the pretext of being built without an Israeli permit. Homeowner, Iyad Shweiki said that two days ago, the crews of the Israeli municipality handed him the demolition order, which stated that the family must evacuate the house, where his family of six were living. The family of six has become homeless due to the Israeli policy of denying building permits to Palestinian citizens, and demolishing of Palestinian homes, while allowing illegal settlements to expand, in violation of International Law. (IMEMC 14 February 2020))
- The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) forced Iyad Shuwaiki to demolish his own home in al-Thuri neighborhood, south of the Aqsa Mosque, and displaced his family in order to build a school in its place. The house was accommodating six members of Shuwaiki's family in addition to him and his wife. Shuwaiki received a notice giving him two days to remove the equipment he used to demolish his house and ordering him not to enter his land again. The Israeli municipality demolished another fence belonging to a Jerusalemite citizen near the razed house of Shuwaiki. (IMEMC 14 February 2020)
- In Hebron (al-Khalil), the Israeli occupation army demolished a Palestinian house in Jabel Joher area in the east of the city at the pretext it was located near the settlement of Kiryat Arba. The house belonged to Bilad al-Rajbi and was accommodating a family of five members. (IMEMC 14 February 2020)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

 Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) have started construction work on a new road that would link the Israeli settlements of Eli and Shilo in the north of the occupied West Bank with the Jordan Valley. The settler-only road is about eight kilometers long, and passes through fertile agricultural lands in the Palestinian villages of Duma, Telfit, Qaryut and Al-Mughair, south of Nablus all the way to the village of Fasayil in the central Jordan Valley. The new road is one of the most dangerous projects implemented by the Israeli government in terms of the size of the land seized to construct it and restrictions imposed on the movement of Palestinians. In 2014, the Israeli government approved a huge plan to construct dozens of roads and bypass roads for Jewish settlers in the occupied West Bank, with the aim of seizing tens of thousands of acres of Palestinian land. (MEM 14 February 2020)