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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three young Palestinian men in Beit Sira village, west of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, after invading and violently searching several homes causing excessive damage. Ten members of the IOA invaded the home of Kifaya Anqawi, the mother of Yousef Anqawi, 20, who was killed and violently searched it. The IOA were deliberately causing damage to the furniture, electronics and even food, while searching the property. The IOA also used dogs in the search. The IOA detained Anqawi’s son, Mohammad 22, after cuffing and blindfolding him, and took him to an unknown destination. (IMEMC 1 May 2020)

- Dozens of Palestinians suffocated from tear gas fired by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Tulkarem refugee camp in the northern West Bank. Israeli military vehicles stormed the camp, where the IOA opened fire towards civilian houses, causing dozens, including children, to suffocate from tear inhalation. During the raid, the IOA ransacked the family house of a detained 19-year-old Palestinian. (WAFA 1 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Troops opened fire at local Palestinian farmers in southern Gaza, mainly in the Khuza’a rural area, east of the southern Khan Younis city. Israeli troops, stationed on the Israeli side of the border, east of Khan Younis city, opened fire with tear-gas canisters on a group of Palestinian farmers, forcing them to flee their workplaces. No causalities were reported. (IMEMC 2 May 2020)

- Israeli naval forces, three nautical miles off the shores of Gaza, opened fire with powerful water hoses on Palestinian fishermen, northwest of Gaza City, forcing them to return to shore. No injuries were reported. (IMEMC 2 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly procession against the Annexation Wall and colonies in Kufur Qaddoum town, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia, and injured six Palestinians, including two children. The IOA resorted to the excessive use of force against the protesters, by firing many rubber-coated steel bullets, high-velocity gas bombs and concussion grenades. The IOA injured two children and four young men. The IOA also ambushed
many protesters in an attempt to detained them but were unable to do so. (IMEMC 2 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted and detained a Palestinian father and his three sons in Bab al-‘Amoud area, in occupied East Jerusalem. The IOA stopped the father and his three sons, from the Salayma family, while walking near Bab al-‘Amoud, before repeatedly assaulting them, and detained them. The three were taken to a police facility in the occupied city. The incident took place while dozens of IOA invaded ‘Obeid neighborhood in the al-‘Isawiya town in Jerusalem, and attacked many residents. (IMEMC 2 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot, two young Palestinian, south of Qalqilia, in the northern part of the occupied West Bank. The two young men, identified as Khaled Khalil Zamari, 23, and Haitham Mansour, 21, were on Palestinian land, near the illegal Annexation Wall, south of Qalqilia. (IMEMC 2 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the towns of Tell and Sarra in southern Nablus and patrolled their streets. The IOA also detained and interrogated several local young men for a while during their presence in the towns.

• A group of Israeli settlers stormed, under military protection, the Ein Sailoun area in Qaryut town, south of Nablus. The IOA provided protection for the settlers, who seek to turn the place into a Jewish tourist destination. (PALINFO 2 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation police stormed neighborhoods in Issawiya and Silwan districts in east Jerusalem and brutalized Palestinian citizens. Israeli police forces provocatively patrolled streets in Obeid neighborhood in Issawiya and Abu Tayeh neighborhood in Silwan and harassed local residents, without making arrests. (PALINFO 2 May 2020)

• The Israeli police detained a group of Palestinian young men at an interrogation center near al-Asbat area in the Old City of Jerusalem throughout the night-time Isha and Tarawih prayers. The police also warned the Muslim worshipers of performing prayers near the Aqsa Mosque and issued 500-shekel fines against several young men at the pretext of violating the coronavirus emergency state. (PALINFO 2 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) violently dispersed a Palestinian protest against the Israeli settlement in al-Sawiya village south of Nablus City. A group of Palestinian youths staged a peaceful protest in al-Sawiya that included trees planting activities in Palestinian lands

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threatened with confiscation in favor of settlement expansion. The IOA stormed the village, heavily fired tear gas canisters and stun grenades at the protesters, and forced them out of the area. (PALINFO 2 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the al-“Isawiya neighborhood of the old city of Jerusalem and broke into several Palestinian-owned homes and detained Waleed Eliyan, Qusay Eliyan, Adam Mahmoud, Tamer Mahmoud, Mo’tasem Obaid, Samer Obaid, Mohammad Almasry, Mos’ab Abu Ghazzala and Ahmad Aljoulani. (IMEMC 3 May 2020)

• In Azzoun town, on the outskirts of the Qalqilia Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three former prisoner; Mohammad Redwan, 27, Akram Mansour, 18 and Mansour Esleem, 21. (IMEMC 3 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained eight Palestinian residents from different areas of the West Bank. The detained Palestinians were identified as Ziyad Abu Salem from the Abu Shkhaidem village, north of Ramallah city, Nawras Ferras from Markaba village, south of Jenin city. The IOA broke into the home of prisoner Ja’far Abu Salah from the Arraba town, south of Jenin, and then ransacked the home. The IOA also detained Mahmoud Abu Hashhash, 28, Obeida Altiti, 19 from the Alfawwar refugee camp, Abdelfattah Abu Ejhahisha, 42, from Hebron’s Ethna village, Ameed Alhoutary from Nablus city, Baraa Ammar and Abed Beqawi, from the Qafin town, on the outskirts of Tulkarem. (IMEMC 4 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian youth in Aqbat Jabr refugee camp in the eastern West Bank city of Jericho. The army opened fire at Palestinian youths, striking one in the leg. (IMEMC 4 May 2020)

• Violent confrontations flared up as Israeli occupation Army (IOF) raided Qalandiya refugee camp north of Occupied Jerusalem and attacked Palestinian residents with tear gas canisters and stun grenades. The IOA in large numbers stormed Qalandiya refugee camp in the early morning hours and heavily fired tear gas canisters and stun grenades at Palestinian houses. Meanwhile, the IOA closed the Container Checkpoint between the southern area of the West Bank and al-Ezariya town east of Jerusalem hindering the movement of Palestinian citizens. (PALINFO 4 May 2020)

• Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained fifteen Palestinians, from their homes in several parts of occupied East Jerusalem. The IOA,
undercover officers, and the police stormed many neighborhoods in Jerusalem, including the Old City, and conducted violent searches of homes. The IOA caused damage to the searched homes, and confiscated several belongings of the residents, including phones and electronics. The detained Palestinians were identified as: Bilal Natsha, Emad Awad, Moath al-Ash-hab, Mustafa Abu Zahra, Rania Hatem, Tamer Obeidat, Jad al-Ghoul, Mohammad Ramadan Obeid, Mahmoud Mohammad Obeid, Dia’ Ayman Obeid, Amir ‘Awwad, Yousef al-Kiswani, Abed Dirbas, Yousef Mheisin and Amin Hamed. (IMEMC 5 May 2020)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the secretary of Fateh movement in the al-Jalazoun refugee camp, north of the central West Bank city of Ramallah. The IOA detained Tha’er Nakhla, while he was heading back home after a visit to the al-‘Ezariyya town, east of occupied Jerusalem. Nakhla is a former political prisoner who was repeatedly detained and imprisoned by Israel, including being held under the arbitrary Administrative Detention orders, without charges or trial. (IMEMC 6 May 2020)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired several missiles targeting two areas south of Gaza city, and Beit Hannoun in the northern part of the Gaza Strip, causing damage. The IOA stationed in military bases across the perimeter fence, fired several artillery shells into a building east of Juhr ed-Deek, south of Gaza city, causing damage. The IOA also fired several shells into another building east of Hanoun, causing property damage. (IMEMC 6 May 2020)

Tense confrontations between local Palestinian civilians and The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at Qalandia refugee camp, between Jerusalem and Ramallah. The IOA closed roads in Al Matar neighborhood, and Kafr ‘Aqab, while the Israeli municipality, backed by the army, arbitrarily imposed fines on shops in the neighborhoods. The IOA stormed Qalandia camp, and heavily fired concussion grenades and tear-gas canisters at the Palestinians resisting the invasion, causing suffocation cases. (IMEMC 6 May 2020)

In the Al-‘Arroub camp, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the camp fired tera-gas and concussion grenades when they encountered fierce resistance by Palestinian civilians. No injuries were reported. the army arrested Obaida Titi and Islam Jawabreh after storming their homes in Al-Al-‘Arroub refugee camp. (IMEMC 6 May 2020)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Nihad Zgheir, as soon as he was released from Israel’s Gilboa jail. Zgheir, 42, who was released from prison Monday morning, after serving 35 months, was re-arrested by the occupation authorities. Zgheir was detained in June 2017 on his way back home to Palestine after having performed the Islamic pilgrimage of Umrah, in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. He underwent prolonged interrogation sessions, after an Israeli court, accusing him of allegedly leading the “Al Aqsa Mosque Youth organization” and imposed a 10,000 shekel fine. No reason for the re-arrest was available at the time of reporting. (IMEMC 6 May 2020)

• The Israeli artillery bombarded several locations in the north of the Gaza Strip causing damage but no injuries. Artillery shells fell on two sites south of Gaza City and another one north of the city. (WAFA 6 May 2020)

• Israeli navy boats opened fire at Palestinian fishermen sailing in the northern Gaza shore forcing them to return to the port. The Israeli navy opened live fire and water hoses at the fishermen who were sailing three nautical miles off shore causing damage to at least one boat. (WAFA 6 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the Silwan neighborhood of east Jerusalem, and detained a youth, identified as Yahya Zagheer, from his home. (IMEMC 7 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the home of a Palestinian youth, identified as Ahmed Zuhour in Beit Kahil town, near the southern West Bank city of Hebron. (IMEMC 7 May 2020)

• Israeli Police fired stun grenades and rubber-coated steel bullets, and inspected the documents of Palestinian drivers in Silwan town in occupied East Jerusalem, as well as storming the al-‘Isawiya town in Jerusalem interrogating local youths, while issuing fines. (IMEMC 7 May 2020)

• Israeli naval forces targeted, several Palestinian fishermen, while attempting to earn a living, sailing off the northern shores of the Gaza Strip. Israeli naval vessels attacked fishermen in Alwaha, Alsudaniya areas, north of the coastal enclave, as the fishermen were sailing about 4 nautical miles, deep inside the sea. The vessels opened heavy fire on the fishermen. There were causalities among the fishermen and fishermen were forced to leave the shores, immediately. (IMEMC 7 May 2020)
• The Israeli navy attacked fishermen off the coast of the Gaza Strip. Naval boats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats sailing northwest of Gaza city, shooting a 60-year-old fisherman with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the head. His injury was described as moderate. There were three injuries in total, and 2 fishing boats were damaged. The navy gunships fired at the fishermen with live ammunition, rubber-coated metal bullets and water cannons, for reasons that were unclear at the time of reporting. (IMEMC 8 May 2020)

• Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired live ammunition and tear-gas canisters at many protesters in the northern West Bank village of Kufur Qaddoum. At least four Palestinians were wounded by live rounds, and their injuries were light, while many others suffered the toxic effects of tear gas inhalation. Protesters chanted slogans, condemning Israeli plans for annexing the entire West Bank region, where three million Palestinians live. Israeli troops invaded the Kufur Qaddoum village from various directions and embarked on shooting indiscriminately at protesters. Many other protesters were exposed to toxic tear gas, fired by the IOA. Some of the army fire hit rooftops of many local households in Kufur Qaddoum, with no causalities reported. (IMEMC 8 May 2020)

• Palestinian teen, Yahya Maher Zagheer was released on house-arrest until May 17, 2020 and a 5000 shekel fine was imposed. The teen was detained on the 7th of May, from his home in the Jerusalem neighborhood of Silwan. (IMEMC 9 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young Palestinian female, near the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron, southern occupied West Bank. The young lady was detained and transferred to an unknown location. Israel holds 183 youths under the age of 18, including 20 under the age of 16. (IMEMC 9 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) apparently not happy with the sight of a Palestinian flag attacked a post set up by local volunteers to check people for coronavirus in the village of Khillet al-Mayeh, in Masafer Yatta in the south of the West Bank. The IOA attacked the post in an attempt to remove a Palestinian flag raised at the post. The volunteers confronted the IOA and prevented them from interfering in their work or removing the flag. (WAFA 9 May 2020)

• An Israeli army roadblock has for weeks disrupted movement of Palestinian residents of a village northwest of occupied Jerusalem. In
the village of Beit Iksa, the IOA have set up a roadblock at the entrance to his village since the start of the holy fast month of Ramadan and obstructed movement of people in and out of the village. The army has intensified its measures of recent to even prevent entry of essential food supplies into the village, allowing only a limited amount in. (WAFA 9 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian university student at a military checkpoint in southern Nablus. The detainee was identified as Mohamed al-Namrouti, a student of the Arab American University. He already served four years in an Israeli jail. He was taken prisoner at the Za’atara checkpoint as he was on his way to Ramallah city. (PALINFO 9 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed around the Al fawwar refugee camp in southern Hebron city in the West Bank, opened fire towards local Palestinian youths, injuring at least two of them. One of the two injuries was by a live round, while the other was hit by a rubber-coated steel bullet. (IMEMC 10 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired towards Palestinian citizens in the village of Kufur Qaddoum, wounding two young men. The IOA shot and wounded two Palestinian youths, during confrontations after the IOA repressed the weekly protest. Dozens of other people suffered the toxic effects of tear-gas that troops shot towards the peaceful demonstrators. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired live ammunition and tear-gas canisters at many protesters in the village, injuring 4 and causing many suffocation cases. (IMEMC 10 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation navy opened fire at Palestinian fishermen and their boats off the northern coast of the besieged Gaza Strip. Israeli gunboats opened machinegun fire at fishing boats off the shore of Gaza City. Israeli naval forces confiscated one fishing boat and caused damage to nets of other boats during the attack. (PALINFO 10 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation forces attacked Samir Abu Asab, from Balata refugee camp, near Huwara checkpoint, south of Nablus, in the northern West Bank. (IMEMC 10 May 2020)

- Undercover Israeli occupation army (IOA) assaulted and kidnapped 13 young Palestinian men in Silwan town, in occupied East Jerusalem. The IOA infiltrated into the Central Neighborhood of the town, in occupied East Jerusalem and kidnapped the thirteen Palestinians,

- A Palestinian worker was injured when Israeli occupation army (IOA) shot him near the Israeli Apartheid Wall, west of the town of Far‘un in the Tulkarem Governorate, northern occupied West Bank. The IOA fired live rounds at an unidentified worker, as he was trying to pass through a gate in the Apartheid Wall, where Palestinian workers enter Israel. The worker was shot in the foot, and was deprived of medical assistance by Israeli troops. (IMEMC 11 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained Palestinian journalist Anan Najib, a former detainee, after ransacking his home, in Beit Hanina town in Jerusalem. (IMEMC 11 May 2020)

- A Palestinian university student, and former prisoner, identified as Mohamed al-Namrouti, was detained by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from a military checkpoint in southern Nablus, northern occupied West Bank. (IMEMC 11 May 2020)

- For the fifth time in row, Israeli authorities extended, the imprisonment of a Palestinian teen from the West Bank city of Jenin, in the northern occupied West Bank. Family members of the teen detainee, Qassem Abu Bakr, 17, said that the Israeli military court of Salem, near Jenin, extended the detention of their son for five more days, without charges. Qassem, was sentenced to 18 months, in August of 2018, and has been imprisoned in the Jalama Israeli prison since he was detained from his home town of Ya‘bad, southwest of Jenin city. (IMEMC 11 May 2020)

- Israeli military vehicles infiltrated the southern borders of the Gaza Strip east of Khan Yunis and razed land. Several army vehicles entered several meters into the Gaza Strip, razed land and placed dirt mounds while opening fire in the air before returning to the bases. (WAFA 11 May 2020)

- Two Palestinian young men suffered bullet injuries during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in al-Fawwar refugee camp, south of Hebron. Violent clashes took place at the main entrance to al-Fawwar camp, during which the IOA fired rubber and live bullets. One
young man was injured by a live round and another by a rubber bullet during the events. (PALINFO 11 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian young man as he was trying to cross through the Huwara military checkpoint at the southern entrance to Nablus city. The IOA also shut down the checkpoint after detaining the young man, causing a heavy build-up of traffic in both directions of the road. (PALINFO 11 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation forces (IOF) on Monday morning carried out a small-scale incursion into a border area in the south of the besieged Gaza Strip and attacked fishermen in Gaza waters. (PALINFO 11 May 2020)

- Two military bulldozers advanced a few meters into a border area in the east of Khuza’ah town in Khan Yunis, south of Gaza, and carried out bulldozing activities. During the incursion, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire sporadically towards cultivated plots of land to prevent farmers from approaching. Meanwhile, Israeli gunboats carried out a renewed shooting attack on Palestinian fishermen and their boats off the coast of Gaza. Luckily, no one was hurt in the attack. (PALINFO 11 May 2020)

- Israeli navy opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the northern coast of Gaza. The navy also confiscated one fishing boat and caused damage to nets of other boats during yesterday’s attack. (PALINFO 11 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) began their abduction campaigns, in the West Bank town of Ya’bad, near Jenin city, where the IOA rounded up 16 residents, including a little girl and two women. Among those abducted are several sets of family members, including Yazzan and Kamal Abu Shammala, along with Mohammad Abu Baker and Marcile Abu Baker. The Israeli invasion of the town, was met with strong resistance by local civilians. The abduction by the IOA included some 12 residents, including Nazmi Abu Baker, his wife Suheila and little girl, Eman, as well as their grandson, Ali. They also included resident Rebhi Abu Baker, his wife Jojoud and three other family members, Mohammad, Khaled and Ahmad. Three more residents, identified as Ahmad Qabaha, Haitham Abu Baker and R’afat Abu Baker. (IMEMC 12 May 2020)

- In the West Bank village of Silwad, east of Ramallah city, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Palestinian ex-prisoner, Abdelrahman Hammad, 19. (IMEMC 12 May 2020)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Feras Abu Snaina, 21, from the West Bank city of Hebron. (IMEMC 12 May 2020)

• Israeli navy ships attacked Palestinian fishing boats in the northwestern part of the besieged Gaza Strip, wounding one fisherman. The navy ships fired live rounds and rubber-coated steel bullets at the fishing boats in Palestinian territorial waters close to the shore. One fisherman, identified as Nidal al-Hassi, 21, was shot with a rubber-coated steel bullet in his arm. The wounded young man fell into the water after being shot, before his fellow fisherman managed to rescue him from drowning. His wounds were described as mild. (IMEMC 12 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinian youths, shortly after they shot and wounded them, in the Qaffin village, north of the northern West Bank city of Tulkarem. Arqam Harsha, 20 and Awni T’oma, 24, were been detained during invasion of their homes by Israeli military. An Israeli army force broke into the home of Harsha and opened fire inside the home, causing the injury of Harsha himself. The IOA also stormed the family home of Awni T’oma, before they detained him. T’oma was also shot and wounded during the Israeli abduction operation. (IMEMC 12 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) breached the Gaza borders in the central Gaza Strip as navy boats attacked fishermen sailing in the northern Gaza shores. The army vehicles and tanks breached the border east of Bureij refugee camp and razed land while blocking the area with dirt mounds. Israeli navy also opened live fire and water hoses on fishermen’s boats sailing with the allowed three nautical miles in the northern Gaza shore causing damage to one boat but no injuries. (WAFA 12 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnaped dozens of Palestinian citizens and brutalized many others during hysterical raids in Ya’bad town, west of Jenin. The IOA searched dozens of homes in al-Salamah neighborhood of the town and rounded up at least 30 local residents, including fathers with their wives and children. Confrontations broke out in different neighborhoods of the town between local youths and Israeli soldiers. Dozens were injured by Israeli gunfire or suffered from their exposure to tear gas fumes during the events. The IOA physically assaultng a number of local residents, including women and children, during arrests and on-site interrogations. (PALINFO 12 May 2020)

• A Palestinian fisherman was injur ed when the Israeli occupation navy opened fire at him as he was working aboard his boat off the coast of
the Gaza Strip. Israeli gunboats opened fire at several fishing boats during their presence off the shore of Gaza City. During the shooting attack, a young fisherman identified as Nidhal al-Hassi was injured by a rubber bullet in one of his hands. (PALINFO 12 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian young man near Azzun town and set up a checkpoint on the road between Nabi Ilyas village and Jayyous town in the east of Qalqilya. The IOA detained 28-year-old Ahmed Radwan, a resident of Azzun town, on the road between Azzun and Izbat at-Tabib village. The IOA also detained for a while three young citizens on the same road. (PALINFO 12 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the al-Fawwar refugee camp, southwest of the southern West Bank city of Hebron, killed a Palestinian child, identified as Zeid Fadel Qaisiyya, 15, and injured four young men. Dozens of IOA invaded the refugee camp, and attacked local youngsters, who protested the invasion into their alley and neighborhoods. The IOA fired many live rounds at the unarmed protesters, and at random, in addition to rubber-coated steel bullets and gas bombs. The child was identified as Zeid Fadel Qaisiyya, 15, after shooting him with a live round in the head. (IMEMC 13 May 2020)

- Israeli naval forces detained Two Palestinian fishermen and seized their boat, off the coast of Gaza while the two were onboard, doing a routine daily work, doing a routine daily work, off the shores of Gaza city. The two fishermen were identified as Mohamad Abdelrazeq Baker, 49 and Mahmoud Aziz Baker, 34. The naval Israeli forces seized the boat of the two fishermen, before they took them to an unknown destination. (IMEMC 13 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded, Prophet Saleh’s tombstone area, east of the Ithna town, west of Hebron city. The IOA Invaded the tombstone area, which is one of several religious and monumental sites in the southern West Bank district of Hebron. Israeli troops were accompanied by Israeli officials, apparently from the Israeli monuments ministry and that those officials were showing maps and documents. (IMEMC 13 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and killed a young Palestinian man near Negohot settlement, southwest of Hebron, in the southern part of the occupied West Bank. The young man had been identified as Bahaeddin Mohammad Abdullah al-‘Awawda, 18, from Deir Samit town, west of Hebron. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the town of al-Yamoun, west of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, and injured several Palestinians during ensuing protests. A large military force invaded the town at dawn, before the IOA stormed and violently searched many homes, causing damage. The IOA smashed the main doors of a few invaded homes, including those owned by the sons of the late Mohammad Saber Lubbadi, in addition to Abu Raqi Houshiyya, before storming them and conducting the violent searches. The IOA also interrogated many Palestinians in their own homes, while examining their ID cards. The invasion led to protest in the town, and the IOA fired several live rounds, gas bombs and concussion grenades at local youngsters, who hurled stones at the army jeeps, especially in the neighborhoods of al-Lubbadi and as-Saudi. Several Palestinians suffered the effects of teargas inhalation. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and navy ships attacked Palestinian farmers and fishermen with live fire and shells, in the southern and northern parts of the besieged and impoverished Gaza Strip. The IOA, stationed in military towers across the perimeter fence, fired many live rounds at Palestinian farmers on their own lands near the perimeter fence, east of Khuza’a town, east of Khan Younis, in the southern part of the coastal region. The farmers had to flee their lands and seek shelter away from the area to avoid further Israeli violations. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)

• An Israeli attack targeted farmers on their lands, east of Shouka town, near Rafah, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip, and in Beit Hanoun, in northern Gaza Strip, forcing the farmers out of their lands. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)

• Israeli navy ships attacked Palestinian fishing boats with sporadic rounds of live fire, and a few shells, while in Gaza territorial waters, in the northern part of the coastal region. The attacks did not lead to casualties but forced the fishermen back to the shore without being able to fish to provide for their families. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)

• A Palestinian woman from Ya’bad town, west of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, was rushed to a hospital, after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded her home and detained two of her sons, including a child. The IOA stormed and ransacked a home in the town, before detaining Mo’tasem Ribhi Asfour, 19, and his brother, Khaled, 13. The IOA violently searched the property before detaining the two siblings, an issue that caused a severe anxiety attack to their mother, who was
soon rushed by Palestinian medics to a hospital in Jenin. The child, Khaled, was also detained by the IOA several days ago, and was released shortly afterwards until the soldiers came back for him, and his brother, earlier Wednesday. The woman is also the wife of a Palestinian political prisoner, held by Israel, identified as Ribhi Asfour. The Israeli army has intensified its invasions, and very violent searches of homes, in addition to abducting many Palestinians, including children and women, in the town. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted a young Palestinian woman, and her brothers, in the al-'Isawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem, before detaining them. The incident took place while the two were in a gas station at the entrance of the town, after they headed there to buy something from the convenience store. The IOA first stopped the young man, Ali Mheisin, and started assaulting him, before his sister, Aya, tried to intervene. The IOA constantly assaulted the young woman and her brother, and were dragging them on the ground, causing various cuts and bruises, before forcing them to sit on the floor of their military vehicle. The reason for detaining the two siblings remains unknown, and they were both taken to the Police Station in Salahuddin Street, in Jerusalem. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)

• Palestinian residents of the northern West Bank town of Yamoun clashed with Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) who raided their town on a search-and-arrest campaign. A large force raided the town and broke into a number of homes in one part of it where they broke doors, ransacked homes and questioned households. The IOA fired teargas grenades at Palestinians causing several suffocation cases. (WAFA 14 May 2020)

• Israeli navy ships opened fire at several Palestinian fishing boats in Gaza Sea, wounding one fisherman with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the head. The navy attacked the Palestinian fishing boats while sailing less than three nautical miles from the shore, in the al-Waha area, northwest of Gaza city. One fisherman, 26 years of age was shot with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the head, and suffered moderate wounds. The fishermen lost all his fishnets in the sea due to the attack, and had to return to the shore without being able to fish to provide for their families. (IMEMC 15 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired fire bombs in Yatta town in the southern occupied West Bank, causing Palestinian-owned farm lands to be set ablaze. The IOA fired some torch bombs in the sky over Hebron, which burned half an acre of Palestinian farm land of barley
and wheat to blaze. The fire bombs, launched by Israeli troops, also set on fire two homes owned by the Rashid family. (IMEMC 16 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) blocked all entrances to Ya’bad town, west of Jenin city after several days of military invasions into the northern West Bank town. The military has invaded the town several times and arrested dozens of Palestinians. Israeli troops closed the main eastern entrance of the town and secondary roads, with barrels and cement blocks, isolating the town, a possible prelude to even more incursions. (IMEMC 16 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked a peaceful protest, and wounded five Palestinians in the village of As-Sawiya, south of Nablus, in the northern occupied West Bank. The IOA suppressed the demonstration and fired concussion grenades and tear-gas canisters at the crowd, in addition to assaulting some of the demonstrators. (IMEMC 16 May 2020)

- For the fifth consecutive day, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the northern West Bank town of Yabad and terrorized its residents, particularly children. The IOA detained Suhaila Yousef Abu Baker, 45, a mother of eight, and her 16-year-old daughter, Eman. The father, Nathmi Abu Baker, 48, was detained five days ago. The IOA grabbed the woman from her parents’ house and terrorized the residents, particularly the children when they fired sound bombs inside the house. The IOA also raided her brother’s house and ransacked it, said WAFA correspondent. (WAFA 16 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) continue to hold the residents of Ya’Bad village, near Jenin in the northern West Bank, under a tight military siege preventing anyone from entering or leaving, while at the same time conducting nightly invasions of the town and detaining youth and young men. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from the town. The Israeli military battalion entered the village in the dead of night and began ransacking homes. When youth came out to the street to protest the invasion, the IOA fired teargas canisters and stun grenades. No injuries were reported. The town of Ya’bad has now been under Israeli military closure for over a week. The Israeli military isolated the town by closing the entrances with large earth mounds and cement blocks to prevent the residents from going out of the village. This also prevented farmers from going to their lands to do the planting and agricultural processes that need to be done at this time of year. People trying to enter or leave the town via trails through farmland were attacked by the IOA, who detained
them and forced them back into the besieged village. (IMEMC 17 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded the West Bank, in the early morning and attacked Palestinians in their homes, including a child. The troops then detained the Palestinians and took them to unknown locations for interrogation. The IOA detained 14-year-old Ammar Thawabteh while he was asleep in his home in Beit Fajjar town in southern Bethlehem. (IMEMC 17 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) took two young men from their homes where they were sleeping in Yab’bad town, south of Jenin. They were identified as Nidhal Nifiaat, 31, and Mujahed Amarneh, 20. (IMEMC 17 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) released 13-year-old Khaled Asfour, from Yab’d town in southern Jenin, after detaining him for two days at al-Jalamah crossing in the West Bank. (IMEMC 17 May 2020)

• In Jenin, in northern West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the home of Ahmad Nabeeh Abu ar-Rob, and violently searched it, in Misilyah town, south of the city, causing property damage, before detaining the young man. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Qabatia town, south of Jenin, and drove around its steel and alleys before withdrawing. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• In the Hebron governorate, in southern West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched many homes, detained four Palestinians, and injured several others. The four detained Palestinians were identified as Mo’taz Thieb al’Oweiwi, from his home in Hebron city, in addition to Eyad Ayman Aby Oleyyan, 18, from Yatta town, south of Hebron, and Walid Hussein Mizyin, 44, from the al-‘Arroub refugee camp, north of the city. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Za’ta area in Beit Ummar town, north of the city, and fired a barrage of gas bombs, concussion grenades, and rubber-coated steel bullets at local protesters, and surrounding homes, causing many Palestinians to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation. During the invasion into the town, the IOA detained Mohammad Ahmad Abu Mariya, 32, a former political prisoner who was held by Israel for five years. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)
• In Bethlehem, south of occupied Jerusalem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a former political prisoner, identified as Abbas Mohammad Shehada, 22, after storming his home in the city. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Hindaza area and the al-Mawaleh Mountain, in Bethlehem, in addition to Teqoua’ town, east of the city. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• In occupied Jerusalem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a former political prisoner, identified as Hotheifa Bader Halabiyya, from Batn az-Zeit neighborhood in Abu Dis town, southeast of the city. It is worth mentioning that Hotheifa is a former political prisoner who was released in December of 2019, after he held a hunger strike for 67 days. Hotheifa, a married father of one child, was first detained on June 10th 2018, and was slapped with three consecutive arbitrary Administrative Detention orders, holding him captive without charges or trial, and was only released after holding the extended hunger strike which ended after reaching an agreement for his release without renewing the orders. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• In Jericho, in the West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the home of Shaker Amara, 59, in Aqabat Jaber refugee camp, south of the city, and detained him after ransacking the property. The invasion into the refugee camp led to protests between several local youngsters and the IOA, while the army fired a barrage of gas bombs and concussion grenades, in addition to rubber-coated steel bullets. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted, a young Palestinian man in Misilyah town, south of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, and detained him after searching and ransacking his home. Several army jeeps invaded the town, before the IOA stormed and ransacked the home of Ahmad Nabeeh Abu ar-Rob, causing excessive property damage. The IOA assaulted the Palestinian in his own home before detaining him, and took him to an unknown destination. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Qabatia town, south of Jenin, and drove in various streets and neighborhoods before withdrawing. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• The Israeli military court of Salem, near Jenin city in the West Bank, ordered the extension of the detention of Palestinian teenager, Qasem
Abu Baker, 17, from the Palestinian village of Y’abad, south of Jenin city. The extension is the 6th to be imposed on the teen in the past 12 months. Qasem was detained in April of 2019 and placed under Administrative Detention at the Jalama Israeli prison, with no charges filed against him. Israeli authorities continue to hold dozens of Palestinian prisoners under Administrative Detention, that Israeli military courts extend from time to time. Israel holds 400 Administrative Detainees in its prisons, many are minors, under the age of 18. (IMEMC 19 May 2020)

- Israeli police detained two Palestinians in the occupied city of Jerusalem. The police brutally assaulted and detained a Palestinian young man, whose father is the Imam of Al-Aqsa Mosque, at Bab al-Wad Road. Police also detained one of the Islamic Endowments Authority-appointed guards while he was exercising his duties at the Dome of the Rock inside the mosque complex. (WAFA 19 My 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian journalist from the besieged Gaza Strip while travelling through the Beit Hanoun/ Erez crossing with Israel. The IOA detained Muhammad Amin Abu Daqqa, a resident of Absan town, east of Khan Younes city, as he was on his way back from Jordan to the besieged Gaza Strip. Abu Daqqa is a liver cancer patient who receives his treatment at a Jordanian hospital. (WAFA 19 My 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked a Palestinian family in Kifl Hares town, north of Salfit, in central West Bank. The attack was carried out against the family home of the late Abdul-Qader Shaqqour, when dozens of IOA surrounded the property and tried to smash its doors, before the family opened it and the IOA initiated a very violent search of the property. The IOA also attacked the family with clubs and batons during the search and were shouting at them after the army claimed they “were trying to prevent the soldiers from entering the property.” The family stated that they were only trying to prevent the soldiers from using violence and excessive force against them, their furniture, and belongings, and did not physically try to stop them. (IMEMC 21 May 2020)

- An Israeli army bulldozer accompanied the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Kifl Hares town, north of Salfit, in central West Bank and uprooted and bulldozed a land owned by Shaqqour family, where in 2009, the army installed a military tower which still stands on their land. The military tower was built by the IOA on the family’s property right at the entrance of the town, and that the army has been
bulldozing lands in that area all the way to the main road near Kifl Hares Junction, as Israel is ongoing with uprooting Palestinian land to install sewage and water lines that would serve the nearby settlements. (IMEMC 21 May 2020)

• Three Palestinian children were injured, due to tear gas inhalation, after Israeli troops fired tear-gas canisters against protestors at the weekly protest of Kufur Qaddoum village, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia. The protest, staged on Fridays, in protest of Israel’s Apartheid Wall, settlements and the closure of the main road for the past 16 years. Israeli soldiers heavily fired toxic tear-gas canisters at Palestinian protesters as well as some surrounding civilian homes. One of the tear gas canisters hit the home of Diya Eshteiwi, causing inhalation injuries of Diya, his wife and his three children, all under the age of 6. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the town of Ya’bad, south of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, before invading and ransacking a home, and detained a mother and her teenage daughter. Invasion into the town was carried out by more than 15 military vehicles, before dozens of IOA surrounded a house and stormed it. The IOA ransacked the property before dragging the mother, 45 years of age, and her teenage daughter, 16, out of their home, and placed them in one of their jeeps and drove away. During the invasion into the town, the IOA also stormed and ransacked many homes, causing excessive damage, and assaulting several Palestinians. The invasion led to protests between many local youngsters, who hurled stones at the army jeeps, while the IOA fired live rounds, rubber-coated steel bullets, and gas bombs. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired, dozens of concussion grenades into Palestinian orchards, west of Jenin, in northern West Bank, resulting in burning at least 120 olive trees. The IOA are stationed at the military gate of the Separation Wall, which was built on Palestinian lands owned by the villagers. The concussion grenades caused a fire that consumed more than 120 olive trees, and that Palestinian firefighters, from Ya’bad nearby town, rushed to the area to extinguish the fire and to prevent it from spreading to surrounding farmlands and homes. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

• Dozens of Israeli police, assaulted a number of Palestinian Muslim worshipers performing Eid al-Fitr prayers at Bab al-Asbat or Lion’s Gate, leading to the holy Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in occupied Jerusalem, southern West Bank. The Israeli police assaulted a number
of unarmed Palestinian civilians, causing many bruises among the victims. One Israeli officer hit a Palestinian worshiper with his rifle. Another elderly Palestinian man was carried by 4 Israeli police, by his arms and legs, no serious injuries were reported. (IMEMC 24 May 2020)

• Israeli Prison Service (IPS) placed a Palestinian man from the northern West Bank city of Jenin, under administrative detention, with no charges, for a period of six months. Family members of Mahmoud Said Alsa’dy, 40, stated that Israeli prison authority of Ofer prison, placed their son, Mahmoud Alsa’dy, under administrative detention and that the circumstances of his imprisonment remain top secret. The family said that Alsa’dy was detained a few days ago, at an Israeli army roadblock in the Arraba village, south of Jenin. Israeli soldiers reportedly seized his vehicle. Important to note, Alsa’dy has spent several years in Israeli prison and been released, Israeli authorities only recently detained him again.(IMEMC 24 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Amy (IOA) attacked a family of Palestinians who were harvesting wheat on their farmland near al-Mughayyir village east of Jerusalem. The Israeli army was apparently called in by Israeli settlers who had earlier tried to harass the Palestinian family. Initially, the army issued a statement that two Palestinians tried to attack them with sickles (farming instruments used to harvest wheat). But eyewitness accounts paint a far different picture of what happened – and draw into question other statements by the Israeli military in which they claim they shot Palestinians ‘in self-defense’. In this instance, the Israeli settlers, who had established a new colony nearby several days ago, came onto the Palestinian farmland to taunt and harass the family that was working on their farmland. When they could not provoke a response from the Palestinians, they called in the army, who arrived on the scene and promptly shot two members of the farming family. One of the men who was shot, identified as Murad, spoke to their reporters and told them, [the Israeli soldiers “started approaching us while telling us to sit down immediately. And then they shot three bullets at my brother Imad’s left leg. I went a little nearer and asked them to stop shooting him, and then they shot me in the stomach.” The reporters also spoke with Murad’s wife, who said, “We were on our land, far from the settlement, and they came to us, not us to them”, and another eyewitness said, “To claim that he tried to stab a soldier while his wife and children and his whole family were there? It never happened. They’re trying to justify the shooting.”
Following the statement by the Israeli military, most Israeli military dutifully reported the statement as fact, with the Israeli daily Yedioth Ahranoth writing, “IDF troops fired on two Palestinians brandishing sickles who attempted to stab them as the soldiers carried out operational activity in the West Bank, near Ramallah. No Israeli soldiers were hurt in the attack and the two assailants managed to flee despite being hit by bullets.” This was an obviously false account of the incident, but was reported by Yedioth Ahranoth and other outlets as if it were fact. Yedioth Ahranoth also claimed that this incident took place during a “riot by Palestinian youth”, another obvious falsehood, since the reality was that a Palestinian family was harvesting their wheat when they were antagonized by paramilitary colonial Israeli settlers, then shot by armed Israeli soldiers. (IMEMC 25 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented Muslim worshipers’ access to al-Ibrahimi mosque in the southern West Bank city of Hebron. The IOA closed all military checkpoints and electronic gates leading to the Ibrahimi Mosque and prevented residents from crossing to reach the mosque for prayer. The IOA prevented worshipers gathering outside the mosque from praying in the outer courtyards, and allowed the entry of only 50 people. (WAFA 26 May 2020)

- Israeli police banned Aqsa Mosque guard Hamza Nimr from entering al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem for six months. Israeli authorities summoned Nimr for interrogation and handed him an order banning him from entering the mosque after he opposed the entry of an Israeli police officer into Dome of the Rock, the golden dome mosque within al-Haram al-Sharif (the noble sanctuary) compound that also includes Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem’s Old City. (WAFA 26 May 2020)

- Israel’s Salem military court extended the detention of 17-year-old Qasem Abu Bakr, from Ya’bad town in Jenin, for the seventh consecutive time. The Israeli occupation authority extended the detention of Abu Baker for two weeks. Abu Bakr, who was arrested on April 17, was transferred from al-Jalamah interrogation center to Megiddo jail. The same court also extended the detention of another prisoner called Ahmed Abu Bakr, from Ya’bad town, for the third time running. He has been in the Petah Tikva interrogation facility for about 25 days. (PALINFO 26 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian farmers with tear gas as they were trying to work their lands in the east of Khan Yunis, south of the besieged Gaza Strip. The farmers had to leave their lands to avoid inhaling tear gas fumes. (PALINFO 26 May 2020)
• The Israeli occupation intelligence (Shin Bet) summoned pro-Aqsa activist Khadija Khuwais for interrogation. Shin Bet officers ordered Khuwais to come to al-Qishla detention center in the Old City of Jerusalem for questioning. Khuwais has been summoned, arrested, banished from the Aqsa Mosque and banned from travel several times because of her peaceful activities in support of the Mosque. (PALINFO)

• The Israeli occupation authorities prevented the Hebron Rehabilitation Committee (HRC) from continuing restoration works in the Ibrahimi Mosque, in the occupied southern West Bank city of Hebron. The IOA prevented HRC employees from continuing with the restoration work in the mosque under the pretext they do not have a permit to do so. Work in the mosque falls within the authority of the Palestinian Ministry of Waqf and through coordination with the HRC. Israel’s decision comes within its attempt to impose its control over the Ibrahimi Mosque, also known as Cave of the Patriarchs. (WAFA 27 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) prevented Muslim worshippers from holding prayers inside the mosque after it was reopened for worship with the easing of the coronavirus lockdown measures imposed since early March. (WAFA 28 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) stormed Ya’bad town in western Jenin and kidnapped three young men following raids on a number of homes. The detainees in Ya’bad were identified as Mohamed Turkman and the brothers, Nour and Baraa Abu Bakr. (PALINFO 28 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) stormed Qabatiya town, southwest of Jenin, and kidnapped two young men from the family of Abul-Rab. (PALINFO 28 May 2020)

• In Hebron in the southern West Bank, The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) broke into several homes and detained a young man called Omar Shawer from his house in Qarn al-Thawr neighborhood. (PALINFO 28 May 2020)

• At least four Palestinians were detained and had their vehicle confiscated by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) near the village of Sebastia, to the north of Nablus in the occupied West Bank. An Israeli army force set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village, detained the four young men and confiscated their vehicle. The identity of the four was not yet declared. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened gunfire and killed a Palestinian young man while driving a vehicle near the village of Nabi Saleh, to the west of Ramallah in the occupied West Bank. The IOA
fired live shots at the vehicle in mysterious circumstances, seriously wounding the driver who succumbed to his wounds a couple of minutes later. The IOA denied access of medics to the scene to provide the man with first aid before he was announced dead. The man's identity was not yet declared. Clashes erupted with angry civilians following the shooting incident, and THE IOA fired live shots and rubber-coated rounds at the protesters to disperse them. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

- At least five Palestinians, including a photojournalist, were injured by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) during the weekly protest against Israeli settlement construction, in the village of Kafr Qaddum in the northern West Bank. The IOA attacked the protesters by rubber-coated rounds and teargas, injuring five of them, including Nedal Shtayyeh who works as a photojournalist with Xinhua Agency. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

- Israeli police and intelligence detained the former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem and current head of the Higher Islamic Council, Sheikh Ekrema Sabri. Intelligence and police officers raided Sabri’s home in occupied Jerusalem and detained him, before taking him to a nearby interrogation center. Sabri, was summoned by Israeli police in January and was handed an order banning him entry to Al-Aqsa Mosque, Islam’s third holiest site, in the city. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) prevented the call for dawn prayer at the flashpoint Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron, south of the occupied West Bank, as well as denied access of worshipers to the mosque. Dozens of The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) deployed around the mosque and intensified their measures at the roads leading there, banning access of worshipers to the site. The IOA dispersed dozens of worshipers who were gathering outside the mosque in order to get a chance to pray there. The IOA also prevented the muezzin (the person appointed to recite the call to prayer) of the Ibrahimi Mosque, Sheikh Seraj Sharif, from completing the call for dawn prayer and forced him out of the mosque. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

- A number of Palestinians suffocated due to inhaling tear gas that was fired by the Israeli occupation army (IOA) during the weekly Ni’lin Demonstration west of Ramallah. The IOA fired live bullets, rubber-coated metal, sound and tear gas canisters towards the Palestinians. The Gas bombs also set fire to a number of fields in the village. (WAFA 29 May 2020)
• A Palestinian man who was shot and killed by Israeli police in Jerusalem’s Old City was unarmed and said to be of special needs. Israeli police opened fire at a Palestinian after they suspected he had a gun and killed him. Later Israeli reports confirmed that the man was unarmed but claimed that he was shot after he refused orders to stop. The man was identified as Iyad Khairi Hallak, 32, from Wad el-Joz neighborhood of occupied East Jerusalem and that he was attending an institution for people with special needs in the same area where he was shot and killed. (WAFA 30 May 2020)

• In the north of the West Bank, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a 31-year-old Palestinian man at Jabara military checkpoint south of the northern West Bank city of Tulkarem. (WAFA 30 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two boys from the city of Hebron, in the southern West Bank. The IOA raided the old town of Hebron, and detained Mahmoud Nihad Jaber, 16, and Muhannad Al-Natsheh, 17, after searching their homes and tampering with their contents. (WAFA 30 May 2020)

• Israeli police in Jerusalem shot and killed an unarmed, autistic Palestinian man, then left him lying on the ground with multiple gunshot wounds for over an hour until he bled to death. Eyad Khairi al-Hallaq, 32, was on his way to an institution for people with special needs, where he would go each day, in Wad al-Jouz neighborhood in occupied East Jerusalem. The police who killed Hallak claimed that they thought he had a suspicious object in his hand. But Israeli police spokesman Mickey Rosenfeld confirmed to reporters that no weapon was found. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas stated that the killing of Hallaq was “a real crime”, and that “those who committed it must be brought to justice, and be convicted by the International Criminal Court”. He stated that the Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu should be held fully responsible for the killing. Following the Israeli police shooting, protests erupted in the city of Jerusalem. Israeli police closed all the gates leading into Jerusalem’s old city, banning all entry and exit. The police also raided Hallaq’s home in Wad el-Joz and questioned his family. Khairi Hallaq, the father of the deceased, told reporters “They found nothing”, and noting that police had cursed his daughter when she became upset at them. Rana Hallaq, the mother of the deceased, told Israeli Channel 12 that her son “was killed in cold blood”. On social media, many drew comparisons between the shooting and the ongoing police violence in the U.S.
According to Israeli Channel 12 news, members of Israel’s paramilitary border police fired at Halak’s legs and chased him into a dead-end alley. The Israeli channel reported that a senior officer ordered a halt in fire as they entered the alley, but that a second officer did not listen and fired six or seven bullets from an M-16 rifle. They claimed that both officers were taken into custody and then released. (IMEMC 31 May 2020)

- Israeli forces, on Friday, blocked Palestinian Muslim worshipers from performing the dawn prayer, evicted hundreds of worshipers and banned the call to prayer at the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron/Al-Khalil, Quds News Network reported. Sheikh Hifzi Abu Sneineh, the head of the local Waqf Department, stated that military barriers were placed by Israeli troops, on the roads leading to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)-recognized Ibrahimi Mosque as a World Heritage site. He said that soldiers invaded the mosque, evicted him and held one of the worshipers for a number of hours. Abu Sneineh added that the empty mosque was then opened for the illegal Israeli settlers, one of whom reportedly threatened Palestinian worshipers before being removed by police. On February 25, 1994, an extremist Israeli settler, Baruch Goldstein massacred 29 Palestinian muslims and wounded 150 more, when he opened fire inside the mosque during the dawn prayer. In the aftermath, an additional 21 Palestinians that protested the murder, were killed by Israeli forces. (IMEMC 31 May 2020)

- RAMALLAH, Sunday, May 31, 2020 (WAFA) – Israeli forces detained a Palestinian minor after shooting and injuring him near the village of Kafr Malik to the East of Ramallah, in the central occupied West Bank, according to local sources. Sources said Israeli forces shot and injured an unidentified minor with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the foot, near the bypass road adjacent to the town of Kafr Malik. The minor was detained by the forces. (WAFA 31 May 2020)

- organization B’tselem on Sunday allegedly show Israeli soldiers slashing tires and throwing tear gas canisters toward a house in the Palestinian village of Kafr Qaddum in the West Bank on Saturday. Weekly protests against the occupation take place in Kafr Qaddum and the videos were filmed when soldiers entered the village during one such protest. Murad Shetewi, the central organizer of the protests and the man whose home was targeted by the tear gas, told Haaretz that the canisters were thrown while his wife and five children were at home. Shetewi said that the family required first aid afterwards, as the
gas penetrated the house. The canisters landed on the porch of his home, Shetewi said, although the protest was not taking place nearby. "It's not the first time this has happened. Tear gas has been thrown toward my house many times over the past years," Shetewi said. "Over the last two months, many of the village's water containers, which are kept on people's roofs, have been damaged by army fire – They were damaged by shooting so that during the coronavirus period we lost precious water, which is also key to hygiene in this time."(Haraatz 31 may 2020)

• Funeral of Eyad Hallaq, a 32-year-old autistic man, who was shot near the special needs school he attended in Jerusalem’s Old City, commenced late Sunday evening. Results of the forensic autopsy on the body of Eyad Hallaq, an autistic Palestinian man who was killed by Israeli police in Jerusalem’s Old City on Saturday, revealed Sunday that Hallaq died from two bullet wounds to his torso, a source involved in the investigation said. (Haraatz 31 May 2020)

Israeli Settler Violence

• Israeli settlers raided Palestinian farmlands and assaulted shepherds in Um Rukba area in the northern Jordan Valley. Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed the area, wreaked havoc on farmlands, attacked Palestinian shepherds and forced them out of their fields. (PALINFO 1 May 2020)

• Different West Bank towns in southern Nablus were stormed by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Jewish settlers. According to local sources, the IOF stormed the towns of Tell and Sarra in southern Nablus and patrolled their streets. The IOF also detained and interrogated several local young men for a while during their presence in the towns. Meanwhile, a horde of settlers stormed, under military protection, the Ein Sailoun area in Qaryut town, south of Nablus. Local sources said that the IOF provided protection for the settlers, who seek to turn the place into a Jewish tourist destination. (PALINFO 2 May 2020)

• A group of Israeli settlers, bulldozed a large area of Palestinian lands near the southern West Bank city of Hebron, to prepare for a new segregated road. The settlers, accompanied by a large number of Israeli occupation Army (IOA) invaded and uprooted the Palestinian lands in Doura town, south of Hebron. The settlers drove large machines, including bulldozers and started uprooting the lands, owned by members of Sweity and Jadallah Palestinian families. The settlers are apparently preparing for a new road to link with their settlement, Negohot. (IMEMC 6 May 2020)
• Israeli settlers assaulted a Palestinian shepherd and stole his sheep near Burqa village, located to the northwest of the occupied West Bank city of Nablus. Over 10 settlers assaulted a Palestinian shepherd as he was grazing his flock of sheep close to the evacuated Israeli settlement of Homesh, which was built on land belonging to Burqa villagers, and stole 70 of his sheep. The shepherd was identified as 50-year-old Harbi Abdo from the neighboring village of Beit Imrin and suffered from bruises across his body besides a foot fracture. (WAFA 6 May 2020)

• Israeli settlers in the occupied West Bank city of Bethlehem, uprooted hundreds of newly-planted grapevines, south of the city. Israeli settlers from the nearby settlement of Efrat, uprooted around 450 newly-planted grapevines, owned by local resident, Ibrahim Sobaih. Farmer, Sobaih, has frequently been exposed to Israeli settlers’ attacks, with Israeli troops guarding the settlers. (IMEMC 7 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) along with armed Israeli settlers, have attacked a number of Palestinian-owned farm lands in the Al khador town, on the outskirts of the Bethlehem Governorate. The attacks included uprooting trees and grapevines, olive trees, as well as erecting mobile homes around the Governorate of Bethlehem. (IMEMC 7 May 2020)

• North of Jerusalem, Muntaser Ahmad Issa was assaulted by an Israeli settler and bitten by the settler’s dog. The young man was working as a bus driver, when 2 people with a dog got on the bus. The young man explained that there were no dogs allowed, to which the settlers responded by verbally assaulting him and hitting him with a broom. The settler removed the leash and muzzle off the dog, and the dog proceeded to attack him. The young man received stitches in his lip and tongue. The settler stole his cell phone and all his money. (IMEMC 7 May 2020)

• Israeli Settlers stole agricultural crops for farmers in Masafer Yatta, south of Hebron Governorate. A number settlers living in “Yaqoub Talia” outpost stole the ‘ Vicia Ervilia Wild’ crop near’ Bir El-Ad ”area, and prevented farmers from watering their sheep from the area’s wells. (WAFA 8 May 2020)

• Israeli settlers chopped down around 40 olive trees belonging to Palestinians in the village of Al-Mughayyir, near the city of Ramallah in the occupied West Bank. The trees belonged to two Palestinian villagers from Al-Mughayyir. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) who
were patrolling the scene reportedly prevented the two villagers from entering their farm and inspecting the damaged trees. (May 9 May 2020)

- Israeli settlers cut 40 olive trees belonging to Palestinians in the village of al-Mughayyir, near the city of Ramallah. The cut trees were the property of two Palestinian villagers from al-Mughayyir, in the central occupied West Bank. (IMEMC 10 May 2020)

- Israeli settlers stole seedlings and agricultural tools from a Palestinian plants nursery located on the Nablus-Tulkarm road in the north of the West Bank. Surveillance cameras documented settlers breaking into the nursery and steeling plants, pipes and other tools before running away. (WAFA 11 May 2020)

- Hordes of Israeli settlers on Monday raided Sebastia town north of the West Bank city of Nablus while escorted by armed Israeli forces. Dozens of Israeli settlers, guarded by heavily armed soldier, stormed the archaeological area of Sebastia. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) threw a cordon around the site and prevented Palestinian residents from approaching the area. (PALINFO 11 May 2020)

- A group of Israeli settlers invaded the town of Beitin, east of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, and write graffiti calling for “spilling blood.” The settlers infiltrated into the town, and wrote graffiti on many walls. Some graffiti said, “I will not leave until blood is spilled here,” and “the lives of our soldiers are more important than the lives of our enemies.” (IMEMC 13 May 2020)

- A large number of settlers hurled stones at Palestinian vehicles travelling along the road connecting the cities of Nablus and Qalqilya. (WAFA 13 May 2020)

- Israeli settlers sneaked their way into Burin village in an attempt to attack the villagers’ houses, but their attack was fended off. (WAFA 13 May 2020)

- Israeli settlers attacked a number of Palestinian vehicles near Burin village, south of the occupied West Bank city of Nablus. A large number of settlers hurled stones at Palestinian vehicles travelling along the road connecting the west Bank cities of Nablus and Qalqilia. The settlers also sneaked their way into Burin village in an attempt to attack the villagers’ houses, but their attack was fended off. The settlers came from Yitzhar settlement. (WAFA 15 May 2020)
• Several Israeli settlers hurled stones, at the building of the Local Municipal Council of Teqoua’ town, east of Bethlehem, south of occupied Jerusalem in the West Bank. The settlers stopped their car in front of the Local Council’s building, before jumping out of their vehicle and throwing stones at the building. The attack is the second in the last few days, while in the first attack, the settlers drew their weapons and threatened to shoot the Palestinians, before fleeing the town. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• Several Israeli settlers invaded, a Palestinian olive orchard, south of the northern West Bank city of Nablus, and cut more than 40 olive trees. The settlers stormed an olive orchard in Ras ad-Deir area in Yitma village, south of Nablus. The settlers then cut more than 40 olive trees, owned by a Palestinian, identified as Mohammad Nassim Najjar. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• Israeli settlers cut down dozens of olive trees in the town of Nahalin, west of the southern West Bank city of Bethlehem. Settlers from the settlement of Givout, located within the Gush Etzion settlement bloc, cut down 40 olive trees owned by three brothers and another local resident. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• An Israeli settler stabbed, a Palestinian teenage boy in the neck, in occupied East Jerusalem, causing a mild-to-moderate injury. The settler assaulted the teen, Mohammad Natsha, 17, and stabbed him with a sharp object in his neck. The Israeli assailant is an ultra-orthodox Jewish settler, who fled the scene directly after assaulting the teen. The Israeli police was called to the scene, but did not make any arrests or reveal further information. The attack took place in the al-Misrara area in Salaheddin Street, in Jerusalem. The wounded teen is from Wadi al-Jouz neighborhood, north of the Old City. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and settlers joined forces in destroying 15 dunums of land planted with olive trees in an area located between the villages of Kaffa and Shoufa, southeast of the northern West Bank city of Tulkarm. The army and settlers used 10 bulldozers to destroy the land and uproot the trees and all crops planted there owned by Palestinians who live the village of Kaffa. The land is located near the settlement of Avni Hefetz, built on expropriated Palestinian land. The army has blocked off all roads leading to this land more than one month ago to prevent its owners from reaching it and as a prelude to taking it over. (WAFA 18 May 2020)
• Several Israeli Settlers hurled stones at the building of the Local Municipal Council of Teqoua’ town, east of Bethlehem, south of occupied Jerusalem in the West Bank. The settlers stopped their car in front of the Local Council’s building, before jumping out of their vehicle and throwing stones at the building. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• Israeli set fire to farmland in al-Sawiya village, in the northern occupied West Bank. Israeli settlers from the Rechalim Settlement, set fire to a large area of Palestinian land, south of Nablus City, which resulted in the destruction of crops and olive trees. (IMEMC 19 May 2020)

• Several armed Israeli settlers attacked more than 15 Palestinian-owned vehicles in northern Nablus city in the West Bank. Two Israeli settlers’ vehicles, carrying several armed settlers from the nearby Homash settlement, got out of their vehicles and began opening fire randomly at empty Palestinian-owned vehicles, parked nearby. The settlers’ attack on Palestinian vehicles caused substantial damage to many of the vehicles. (IMEMC 20 May 2020)

• Dozens of Jewish settlers from Yitzhar Settlement attempted to storm Nablus and break into Joseph’s Tomb east of the city despite the coronavirus lockdown. A state of alert prevailed in Nablus after dozens of Jewish settlers, escorted by armed Israeli Army, stormed Salem village in the eastern outskirt of the city. Despite the lockdown and movement restrictions, Israeli settlers, backed by the IOA, have repeatedly attempted to force their way into Joseph’s Tomb since the coronavirus crisis started, which sparked confrontations during which a number of Palestinians were injured. (PALINFO 20 May 2020)

• Two Palestinians were injured after they were attacked by Israeli settlers in the town of Yatma, to the south of the northern West Bank city of Nablus. Settlers from the Israeli settlement of Rahalim threw rocks at the family home of Mohammad Snobar, which resulted in injuring two members of the family, one received a fractured leg and the other cuts in the head. (WAFA 21 May 2020)

• Several Israeli settlers attacked many Palestinian cars at the main junction near Huwwara town, south of the northern West Bank city of Nablus. The settlers hurled stones at many cars near Yitzhar junction. The settlers also attacked several Palestinian shops in the same area, before fleeing the scene. (IMEMC 21 May 2020)
• Several Israeli settlers burnt, large areas of Palestinian agricultural lands, south of Nablus, in the northern part of the occupied West Bank. The settlers invaded farmlands owned by residents of ‘Orif and Asira al-Qibliya towns, south of Nablus. The settlers then set the invaded lands ablaze, in the al-Lahaf ash-Shamali area, between the two towns. The attack by Israeli settlers was concurrent with an Israeli army attack, as the army’s bulldozers began razing some farm lands adjacent to the Yitzhar settlement. The razing comes under the pretext of extinguishing the fires, however it is likely a prelude to constructing a settlers-only bypass road that would take over more Palestinian-owned farm lands. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

• Many Israeli settlers colonists hurled stones at Palestinian cars south of Huwwara town, south of Nablus, at the junction that leads to the Qalqilia governorate, in northern West Bank. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

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• Several armed Israeli settlers set fire to Palestinian farm lands, east of the northern West Bank city of Tulkarem near the Enav settlement, which was built on the lands of Ramin village. The armed settlers set fire to tens of fruitful trees, with the Israeli occupation army soldiers present and providing protection to the assailants. The arson led to the burning of tens of olive trees and almond trees in Palestinian farm lands, estimated at 12 acres. The flames, caused by the settlers, damaged approximately 10 acres of farm lands. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

• A group settlers set fire to Palestinian fields and farmlands in Ramin town in the West Bank Governorate of Tulkarem. A group of Jewish settlers from Einav Settlement deliberately burned vast areas of Palestinian farmland. The settlers were escorted by armed Israeli Army during the attack. Dozens of olive and almond trees in his 50-dunum
land were completely destroyed. An area of over 400 dunums was damaged in the attack. (PALINFO 22 May 2020)

- Israeli settlers, attacked Palestinians in the Al-Sahla neighborhood of the Old City of Hebron, in the southern occupied West Bank. Israeli settlers, youths and adults, harassing Palestinians, shouting, throwing stones among other objects at the Palestinians. The IOA are seen walking among the crowd, making no attempt to stop the attack against the so-called ‘protected’ Palestinian people. No injuries were reported. (IMEMC 23 May 2020)

- Israeli security forces, blocked several streets in occupied Jerusalem as Israeli settlers provocative March outside Jaffa Gate, celebrated the so-called “reunification of Jerusalem as capital of Israel”. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) assaulted Palestinians, near Bab Al-Asbat or Lion’s Gate, in the old city of Jerusalem, southern occupied West Bank. (IMEMC 23 May 2020)

- The Secretary of the Fatah movement, Qusi Diab Thiyab al-Tamimi, along with the young Ziyad al-Tamimi, were attacked, northwest of Ramallah. Al-Tamimi was reportedly injured while fighting off a group of Israeli settlers who were attacking Palestinian farmers, near the village of Deir Nizam, northwest of the central West Bank city of Ramallah. settlers from the “Halamish” settlement, attacked local Palestinian farmers, while they were cultivating their land in the “Wadi Raya” area. The confrontations led to the injury of the Secretary of the Fatah movement and another young man, whom was wounded in the head, in addition to a number of other citizens who were mildly injured in the attack. (IMEMC 23 May 2020)

- At least two Palestinians sustained light to moderate injuries after a group of rampaging Jewish settlers attacked them near the village of Deir Nidham, to the northwest of Ramallah. Settlers from the settlement of Halamish, nearby, attacked civilians and farmers who were working near the village, injuring two of them. (WAFA 23 May 2020)

- A number of Israeli settlers opened fire towards a local park in the town Huwara town, south of Nablus and attempted to ravage it. The settlers came from Yitzhar settlement inhabited by hardcore fanatic Jews. (WAFA 24 May 2020)

- An Israeli settler, ran over and killed three sheep belonging to Palestinian farmers, while injuring a dozen more, in the al-Dirat
village, near Hebron, in the southern occupied West Bank. (IMEMC 25 May 2020)

- A group of Israeli settlers set fire to Palestinian crops in the southern West Bank. A settler, who was driving a 4-wheel-drive vehicle, sped up when he saw sheep in the fields, running them over, killing three and injuring 12 others, before fleeing the scene. (IMEMC 25 May 2020)

- At least two Palestinians were shot and wounded by armed Israeli settlers, in the village of al-Mughayyir, north of Ramallah city, in the central West Bank. Several armed Israeli settlers attacked a number of local Palestinian shepherds in the al-Mughayyir village, near Turmus Ayya village. The settlers used live ammunition to shoot the unarmed Palestinian men, one of whom was shot in the leg, while the other was shot in the abdomen. The two were transferred to the Palestine Medical Compound in nearby Ramallah city, before a contingent of Israeli troops arrived on the scene and began shooting tear gas canisters towards other local Palestinian residents, who were present during the settlers’ shooting. (IMEMC 25 May 2020)

- An Israeli settler driving a 4-wheel-drive vehicle, sped when he saw sheep in the fields in the al-Dirat village in the southern Hebron Hills and ran them over killing three and injuring 12 others before running away. (IMEMC 25 May 2020)

- Israeli settlers from the Havat Maon outpost in Masafer Yatta in the southern Hebron Hills set fire to more than 30 dunums of land planted with wheat and barley, totally destroying them. (WAFA 25 May 2020)

- Israeli settlers opened fire and injured two Palestinian herders near the Ramallah-area village of al-Mughayyer. Settles attacked the herders while they were in the open fields between al-Mughayyer and Turmus Ayya injuring one in the stomach and the other in leg. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked with teargas villagers who came to the aid of the shepherds. (WAFA 25 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation police stormed Jabel Mukaber neighborhood in east Jerusalem and kidnaped two young brothers from their home. A large number of police forces stormed the neighborhood and kidnaped two brothers identified as Riyadh and Akram Basheer. (IMEMC 25 May 2020)

- Israeli Police officers opened fire at a young man from Jabel Mukaber neighborhood in east Jerusalem and seriously injured him. The young man was identified as Ridwan Basheer. (PALINFO 25 May 2020)
• Israeli settlers, with the full support of the Israeli military, took possession of Palestinian land, east of Ramallah, in the central occupied West Bank. Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed an area between Deir Dibwan and Rammun and took over around 47 dunams. The settlers used bulldozers to raze the land belonging to Palestinian residents from both towns. Israeli soldiers, prevented residents’ access to their lands and forced them to leave, while protecting the settlers’ theft of Palestinian land. (IMEMC 26 May 2020)

• Israeli settlers protected by a military escort today attacked with stones and empty bottles Palestinian civilians’ homes in the Old City quarter, in the occupied West Bank city of Hebron. Jewish settlers accompanied by Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) forced their way into the area, attacking homes and terrifying their residents, especially children. The settlers also performed provocative tours across the markets of the Old City, terrorizing store-keepers and passengers and threatening them, with the soldiers doing nothing to stop the assaults. (WAFA 30 MAY 2020)

• Armed Israeli settlers in the Palestinian West Bank city of Hebron, reportedly invaded, some local markets in the city, causing panic among local Palestinians. A large group of armed settlers invaded the Allaban, Alqasaba and Ein Alaskar local markets and began provoking local shopkeepers and customers, as Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in the area were watching, without intervening. The provocative actions included staring at local Palestinians in a strange and frightening way. Earlier this month, Israeli defense minister, Naftali Bennet, endorsed a new colonial settlement project in Hebron, involving confiscation of large areas of Palestinian-owned lands, adjacent to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)-recognized ancient Palestinian mosque of Al-Haram Al-Ibrahimi. (IMEMC 31 MAY 2020)

• A group of Jewish settlers attacked Palestinian homes in ash-Shallala street in the Old City of Hebron in the Occupied West Bank. Israeli settlers escorted by Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) hurled stones at Palestinian homes, especially the house of Sadr family, in the street. The family of Sadr had been exposed to assaults several times before by Jewish settlers, who seek to force it to leave the house in order to take it over. (PALINFO 31 MAY 2020)

• Dozens of Jewish settlers desecrated Al Aqsa Mosque’s courtyards a few hours after the Islamic Awqaf authority in Occupied Jerusalem reopened its doors to Muslim worshipers for dawn prayers. About 75
settlers, including rabbi Yehuda Glick, entered the Aqsa Mosque through al-Maghariba Gate and toured its courtyards under police escort. Temple mount groups incited their followers to participate in mass break-ins at the Aqsa Mosque on the first day of its reopening after the Islamic Awqaf decided over two months ago to close it as a preventive measure against coronavirus. Meanwhile, Israeli police forces detained two Palestinian young men and two women, including a female journalist, as they were standing peacefully in the Mosque’s courtyards during the settlers’ tours. The detained young men were identified as Ihab Abu Sneineh and Louay Jaber and the women were identified as Ra’eda al-Khalili (a pro-Aqsa activist) and journalist Sundus Owais. The Israeli police also detained a young man called Obada Najeeb from the Old City of Jerusalem and handed Aqsa guard Tareq Abu Subaih a detention summons after raiding his home. (PALINFO 31 MAY 2020)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Tulkarem refugee camp, in the northern West Bank city of Tulkarem, and stormed the home of a wounded Palestinian and handed the family a demolition order for their home. Several army jeeps invaded the refugee camp, before the IOA stormed the family home of Mohammad Reesha, 19, and interrogated them for a few hours. The IOA handed the father a demolition order targeting his home. Protests erupted during the invasion, and the IOA fired gas bombs, rubber-coated steel bullets, and concussion grenades at Palestinian youngsters, causing several injuries. (IMEMC 1 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) demolished a Palestinian car wash near Bethlehem, while it was under construction. The IOA destroyed the car wash for construction without a permit. (IMEMC 1 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) invaded Jourat al-Shamaa village, south of Bethlehem, and demolished a nursery owned by Mahmoud Abu Hammad for lack of an Israeli issued permit. The army notified several other Palestinians in the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, of the military’s intent to demolish structures. (IMEMC 1 May 2020)

- The Israeli authorities demolished nine Palestinian-owned structures due to the lack of building permits during the past two weeks, displacing a family of eight and affecting 19 others in four communities.
in Area C of the West Bank. The displacement took place in the Bedouin community of Ein ad Duyuk at Tahta, near Jericho, where the occupation authorities demolished an inhabited caravan provided as humanitarian assistance. Another five aid structures, including residential tents and animal shelters, were demolished in the nearby community of Deir al Qilt. During the same period, five Palestinians were injured and around 470 Palestinian-owned olive trees and saplings damaged by Israeli settlers. Four of the injuries were caused by physical assault in the Israeli-controlled area of Hebron city (H2), and the villages of At Tuwani, near Hebron, and Jibiya, near Ramallah. In addition, around 200 olive trees belonging to farmers from Turmus’ayya and Al Mughayyir villages, near Ramallah, were vandalized, reportedly by settlers from the adjacent Adei Ad settlement outpost. Most of these trees are located on a plot where Palestinian access is restricted by a ‘prior coordination’ system. Assailants, believed to be from the same settlement outpost, also dismantled a fence around another plot and stole dozens of wooden poles. Around 120 additional trees were cut down in the villages of Ras Karkar (Ramallah), Kafr Qaddum (Qalqiliya), As Sawiya and Qaryut (both in Nablus). Near Fuqeiqis village (Hebron), settlers uprooted around 1,000 seasonal vegetable seedlings and 150 olive saplings, while in Khirbet Samra village (Tubas) they grazed their livestock on 100 dunums of land planted with seasonal vegetables damaging the crops. (OCHA, WAFA 2 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) ordered a halt on the construction of residential structures and their subsequent demolition. The structures, which include two homes, are owned by residents of the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan, to the west of the occupied West Bank city of Salfit. The occupation authorities handed two Palestinians an order to stop construction of their two houses and demolish them, while a third resident was handed a demolition order for his residential shack. Meanwhile, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) chased farmers and shepherds while working near the village, claiming that they were close to the neighboring Israeli settlements. (WAFA 3 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) demolished an agricultural structure in the Jordan Valley village of Tayasir, east of the city of Tubas. The IOA raided the village and proceeded to demolish the small structure with an area of 36 square meters and which had an aluminum ceiling under the pretext it was built without a permit. (WAFA 4 May 2020)
- Israeli occupation forces (IOA) demolished four Palestinian agricultural facilities in al-Jiftlik village in the northern Jordan Valley. The IOA stormed al-Aqaba area in the village and knocked down an agricultural structure owned by Palestinian citizen Murad Jaber. The demolition came one day after an Israeli court rejected a petition filed by Jaber’s lawyer against an Israeli military order to demolish his structure. The IOA further destroyed a water well, a barn and a pool in the same area. (PALINFO 4 May 2020)

- In the northern West Bank village of Aqqaba, north of Tulkarem city, Israeli troops handed over demolition warrants to a number of Palestinian residents, a prelude to the demolition of their under-construction homes. The homes to be demolished, belong to six villagers, identified as: Yousef Ammarna, Nehad Ammarna, Abdelrahim Ammarna, Ayman Ammarna, Hothaifa Ammarna, along with Mustafa Betawi. All the households, which received the Israeli demolition warrants, belong to one same family. Their homes are located at the entrance of the village, just one kilometer away from the Israeli Separation Wall, which takes up 80 percent of the village’s farm lands. (IMEMC 5 May 2020)

- Israeli authorities in the northern occupied West Bank city of Jenin, handed demolition warrants to local residents in Ya’bad village, on the outskirts of the city. Israeli troops, including infantry and armored vehicles broke in to the home of Bassam Ammarna and handed him a demolition warrant for his 220-square-meter home. Israeli troops informed Bassam that his home was built without permission by the Israeli authorities. The home is located just near the Israeli Apartheid Wall in the area. (IMEMC 5 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished an agricultural structure in the Jordan Valley village of Tayasir, northern West Bank. The IOA invaded the village and demolished a small 36 square meter structure with an aluminum ceiling. Authorities rationalized the demolition by claiming it was built without an Israeli permit. (IMEMC 5 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) delivered halt construction notices, with the intent to demolish Palestinian residential structures. Israeli authorities ordered a halt on construction and demolition of 2 Palestinian homes, belonging to residents of the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan, West of Salfit, central West Bank. A third demolition also order was delivered to a small residential structure. (IMEMC 5 May 2020)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished 4 Palestinian agricultural facilities in al-Jiftlik village, northern Jordan Valley. The IOA stormed al-Aqaba area of the village demolishing an agricultural structure belonging to Murad Jaber. Other structures destroyed by the army included a water well, a barn and a pool. (IMEMC 5 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed agricultural land, south of Qalqilia City, delivered stop-work orders, confiscated agricultural equipment and detained three Palestinian youths. (IMEMC 5 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) notified a Palestinian of their intention to demolish his house in Thaher al-'Abed village of the Yaabad town, located to the southwest of the northern West Bank city of Jenin. The IOA stormed the village and handed Ameed Amarneh a military notice, informing his of their intention to demolish his house under construction purportedly for being located in proximity to the section of Israeli unilaterally-built wall. Amarneh was given 15 days until May 20th to submit a written appeal against the demolition of his house, which occupies 220-square-meter-area, to an Israeli court. (WAFA 5 May 2020)

• Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) issued orders to stop the construction of several Palestinian houses in Aqaba village in the West Bank Governorate of Tulkarem. Israeli military vehicles stormed the village where the IOA and officers of the so-called Israeli Planning and Building Committee handed six villagers notices ordering them to stop the construction of their houses. The IOA claimed the six houses are located in Area C despite the fact that the homeowners possess proper land ownership documentation. The houses, some of which are already built and ready to be inhabited, are located at the village entrance and are one-kilometer away from the Israeli apartheid wall. (PALINFO 6 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ordered a halt on the construction of some 13 houses and a park in Nahalin town, located to the west of the southern West Bank city of Bethlehem. An Israeli military force and staff of the so-called Israeli Civil Administration raided the town, and handed notices to eight Palestinian villagers, ordering them to halt the construction of their houses, at least three of which are inhabited, purportedly for being built without licenses. The IOA also ordered a stop on the construction of a public park and retaining walls in the same town. (WAFA 11 May 2020)
• The Israeli occupation army (IOA) ordered a Palestinian farmer to stop construction of an agricultural structure in his land in Sahl al-Buqehia, south of the Jordan Valley city of Tubas. The IOA broke into the village and ordered a local resident to stop the construction under the pretext he does not have a building permit. The area is classified as C, which is under full Israeli military rule and where Israel does not allow any Palestinian development. (WAFA 11 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation army (IOA) stormed Farsh Al-Hawa Al-Hawa village, west of Hebron, in the southern West Bank and seized equipment and iron bridges, owned by Raafat Sarhan Nasser al-Din. Sarhan was using his equipment and iron bridges to reclaim his land. (WAFA 11 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Kobar village near Ramallah, and demolished the family home of Qassam Barghouthi, a Palestinian detainee. A substantial military force raided the village and approached the Barghouthi home, and using an armored bulldozer, demolished the second floor of the two-story building, in addition to destroying trees on the property. The military fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear-gas at the youths, hitting one in the face with a tear-gas canister. Barghouthi was detained in 2019. (IMEMC 12 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished agricultural structures as well as the foundation of a house under construction, north of Jericho city in the West Bank. Israeli bulldozers, accompanied by troops, stormed Fasayil village and began razing agricultural structures, belonging to local resident, Suleiman Sawarka. The bulldozers also razed the foundations of a house belonging to another resident, identified as Mahmoud al-Kaabneh. Al-Kaabneh said he received a stop work order from occupation authorities, just one week ago. (IMEMC 13 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded al-Ras al-Ahmar and al-Baq’a Bedouin communities, in northern Jordan Valley of the occupied West Bank, and demolished livestock pens in addition to seizing water lines. The IOA invaded the al-Baq’a area, before destroying and confiscating water pipelines, owned by a local, identified as Mowaffaq Daraghma. The IOA also demolished several livestock pens, owned by Jarrah Bani Odah, in the Ras al-Ahmar area. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ordered a halt on the construction of eight houses and agricultural structures in Nahalin town, west of the southern West Bank city of Bethlehem. The IOA ordered a stop on the
construction of the houses and structures, including a house under construction, purportedly for being built with licenses. Just three days stop-construction orders were served to eight houses, at least three of which are inhabited, in the town, under the same pretext, a move that he slammed as a “fierce attack” against Palestinian construction to make room for the expansion of the nearby Israeli colonial settlement bloc of Gush Etzion. The orders were served after the settlement group Regavim posted a video purportedly claiming that Palestinian urban expansion in the area hinders Israel’s annexation move. (WAFA 15 May 2020)

• In the al-Walaja village, west of Bethlehem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Nab’at al-Hadfa area, and demolished an 80 square/meter structure, owned by Fayez Abed-Rabbo, allegedly for being built without a permit from the so-called Civil Administration Office, the administrative branch of Israel’s illegal occupation. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ordered a halt on the construction of two mobile homes in al-Auja town, located to the north of Jericho city. The IOA handed Ali Rashayda a military notice, ordering him to evict his two mobile homes and stop their construction. (WAFA 20 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized a mobile home in Furush Beit Dajan village, located to the east of West Bank city of Nablus. Several Israeli military vehicles stormed the village, where soldiers seized a mobile home belonging to Muhammad Hamed, a villager, without any prior notice. (WAFA 20 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) confiscated a mobile home in Furush Beit Dajan village, east of the northern West Bank city of Nablus. The IOA entered the village, with no warning, and seized a mobile home belonging to Palestinian villager, Muhammad Hamed without any prior notice. (IMEMC 21 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) handed Palestinian citizen, Jamal Rashayda, a demolition order, for several structures in Ras al-Auja area in the Jordan Valley. The IOA gave no justification for the order to demolish the family’s tents and barns, north of Jericho. (IMEMC 21 May 2020)

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warning, and seized a mobile home belonging to Palestinian villager, Muhammad Hamed. (IMEMC 21 May 2020)

- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) handed home demolition orders to 21 Palestinian families living in Wadi al-Siq Bedouin community east of the West Bank city of Ramallah. The families were given a time limit until 10 June to appear at the so-called Civil Administration’s headquarters for further procedures. The IOA also ordered the families to evacuate their homes and move to areas classified as “A” or “B”, claiming that their homes were built in Israeli-controlled area based on the Oslo Accords. (PALINFO 22 MAY 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Amy (IOA) demolished a livestock barn and a tent, east of the southern occupied West Bank city of Bethlehem. The structures were owned by a local Palestinian, who was detained for several hours before being released. The demolition was carried out under the pretext that they lacked an Israeli permit to build. The IOA invaded the area, demolished the two structures and confiscated them. The structures were built in the so-called “Area C”, which is under full Israeli civil and military rule. (IMEMC 25 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Amy (IOA) demolished an animal barn and a tent in the Za’atra wilderness, east of the southern West Bank city of Bethlehem, owned by a local Palestinian, under the pretext they were built without a permit. The IOA raided the area, classified as C, which is under full Israeli military rule, demolished the barn and the tent and hauled them away. The owner was held for several hours before he was released. (WAFA 25 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) disassembled an agricultural shed belonging to a Palestinian resident from the town of Aqraba, south of Nablus city, northern occupied West Bank, The IOA stormed the town before tearing down the shed belonging to local resident, Marwan Abu Kotob who depends on agricultural work for income. Israeli military officials claimed the demolition was carried out due to ‘lack of permits. (IMEMC 26 May 2020)

- Israeli military authorities notified to demolish ten Palestinian-owned water wells, to the west of city Salfit, in the northern occupied West Bank. In Al-Sawiya village in western Salfit, Israeli military authorities delivered shutdown warrants to the owners of those wells. The owners were identified as Maher Qadous, Moneer Shamlawi, Rebhi Abu Nab’a, Adnan Hamdan, Netham Hamouda, Haroun Mowqadi, Jamal Mesleh, Rajy Shaqoura and Shehada Dahbour. All are local farmers in the Al-Sawiya village. (IMEMC 26 May 2020)
• In the pre-dawn, Israeli troops entered the Furush Beit Dajan area in the Jordan Valley, and used armored D-9 Caterpillar bulldozers to destroy the home of local Palestinian resident Ibrahim Benniya. (IMEMC 27 May 2020)

• Israeli Troops used an armored bulldozer to destroy an 8-dunam square tourist area known as the Maxim Land Resort, as well as confiscating archaeological remains from the land. This took place in the areas of Zawata and Sebastia. The Israeli military invaded the areas in the northern West Bank in the early morning hours and began extensive demolitions, including carrying out sabotage and bulldozing operations inside the archaeological site in Sebastia, removing and confiscating a tourist establishment, and stealing archaeological stones from the surrounding area. (IMEMC 27 May 2020)

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished two tourist facilities in the northern West Bank district of Nablus. In Zuwata town, west of Nablus, the IOA escorted a bulldozer into the town, where the heavy machinery demolished Maxim Land, which belongs to a town resident. (WAFA 27 May 2020)

• Israeli military vehicles raided Zuwata town, west of Nablus where the IOA tore down a tourist facility under construction, close to the Roman amphitheater at the archeological site of Sebastia. The IOA sealed off the site and seized a number of artifacts. (WAFA 27 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) dismantled four stalls set up by residents to be used to sell vegetables and fruits, in Bardala and Ein al-Bayda villages, Northern Jordan Valley. Israeli troops also confiscated large amounts of the produce, reducing the amount of potential income for Palestinians who owned the stalls and produce. (IMEMC 28 May 2020)

• Israeli authorities ordered a halt on the construction of structures in al-Walaja village, west of the city of Bethlehem. The Israeli Occupation Police invaded Ein Jowaize area and delivered military order to stop the construction of retaining walls, belonging to a local villager, in addition to several house basements and a water well. (IMEMC 28 May 2020)

• A Palestinian Siam family, began to tear down parts their own home in occupied East Jerusalem. The Israeli municipality of West Jerusalem delivered a demolition order to the family Silwan home. The pretext used by the so-called Israeli authorities, for the demolition order was
the standard reason of building without official Israeli permission. (IMEMC 28 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers demolished three structures and razed Palestinian land in the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The IOA escorted a bulldozer into Farsh al-Hawa area, tore down three agricultural structures, and razed local Palestinian land planted with crops. The justification for the demolition was the lack of Israeli permits to build in the area. (IMEMC 28 May 2020)

- Israeli ordered the demolition of three tents in Masafer Yatta in the southern Hebron hills. Israeli military delivered notices to demolish to three small communities; a tent used as a residence, a tin sheet structure and crude structure built for the purpose of health and security during the coronavirus pandemic. (IMEMC 28 May 2020)

- Six Palestinian families were informed by the Israeli army that the homes they built in the village of al-Tira, southwest of Ramallah, will be demolished for construction without permit. An army force broke into the village and handed six families the demolition orders against their homes claiming that the homes were built in Area C, which is under full Israeli military rule. (WAFA 28 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized a tractor a farmer was using to plow his land and destroyed a road that connected al-Tira to nearby Beit Ur village in Ramallah Governorate. (WAFA 28 May 2020)

- A Palestinian family from the occupied Jerusalem neighborhood of Jabal al-Mukaber embarked on demolishing its own home after it was forced to do so by Israeli municipality to avoid paying exorbitant costs if the municipality carries out the demolition. Musa Kassab Bashir, a co-owner of the house, stated that the Israeli municipality handed the family an order on April 26 asking them to demolish the 85-square-meter house, under the pretext of lacking a construction permit. The family had no option but to do so in order to avoid paying unreasonable demolition costs to the Israeli municipality. The home demolished was the only shelter for the six-member family. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) ordered a halt on a road rehabilitation project in the village of Rashaida, to the east of Bethlehem in the occupied West Bank. The Israeli occupation army ordered workers at the site to immediately stop the work under the
pretext it was in an Israeli-controlled area, or otherwise the workers will risk being arrested and their equipment confiscated. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) displaced two Jerusalemite families after forcing them to demolish their own homes in Jabel Mukaber neighborhood and Silwan town in the east of the holy city. The house in Jabel Mukaber belonged to the brothers Imad and Ahmed Mashahera, who had to raze it after the IOA threatened to make them pay an exorbitant sum of money if its municipal crews carried out the demolition. As always, the IOA justified the measure by claiming the house was built with no license. “We do not know where we can go with our women and children after our house was demolished. We have become homeless...vulnerable to the danger of reptiles such as snakes and scorpions,” one of the brothers said. They accused the IOA of systematically practicing mass killing, humiliation, torture and intimidation against the Jerusalemite, calling for international action to find a solution to their suffering and hold Israel accountable. In Silwan, the IOA also forced another citizen called Fares al-Khaless to demolish his own house under the same pretext. “The Jerusalemite has no choice but to build without a license because there are no structural maps that respond to the natural increase in the number of the local residents, and for that reason, there are no house licenses,” Khales said. “The Jerusalemite is forced to demolish his own house with his own hands after he is threatened with heavy financial fines if the occupation carries out the demolition. This is the tax we pay for our steadfastness on our land,” he added. (PALINFO 30 MAY 2020)

• HEBRON, Sunday, May 31, 2020 (WAFA) – Israeli occupation forces today informed residents of Birayn, a small village near the town of Yatta to the south of Hebron in the occupied West Bank, about their intention to demolish five residential structures and the building of the village’s council, according to a local source. Foad Amour, a local activist, told WAFA that an Israeli army force raided the village and handed notices to local residents informing them of the demolition order, citing the lack of construction permits as a pretext for the intended demolitions. Amour urged all local and international human rights organisations to annul the demolition order which he said aims at emptying the area of its indigenous Palestinian population for the benefit of the Israeli colonial settlement enterprise. The village is located in an area designated as Area C, under full Israeli military and civil control. Nearly all Palestinian applications for building permits in Area C, more than 60 percent of the area of the occupied West Bank
that, are denied by the Israeli authorities, forcing communities to build illegally, and placing them under the constant risk of demolitions by the Israeli forces. (WAFA 31 MAY 2020)

**Israeli Military Orders**

- The Israeli government and its so-called “Civil Administration Office,” the executive branch of the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, has approved plans for the confiscation of 110 Dunams of Palestinian lands in Ezbet at-Tabib village, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia. The lands will be annexed to build factories that will be part of Alfie Menashe settlement. The plans have already been approved by the Israeli government, and will eventually lead to the annexation and isolation of more than 3000 Dunams of private lands that will be considered part of the settlement. The lands are nearly 2 kilometers away from the settlement, and by building the factories on them, Israel will be annexing more lands to link them with the colony, which includes roads and infrastructure on 3000 Dunams. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

**Confiscation & Razing of lands**

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented Palestinian farmers from ploughing their lands near the northern West Bank city of Nablus. Farmers went today to their land in the village of al-Sawiyeh to plough it in order to plant it when the IOA stopped them and ordered them to leave it under the pretext it was state land. (WAFA 2 May 2020)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) and Jewish settlers started to bulldoze a vast tract of land belonging to Palestinian citizens near Dura town in the southwest of al-Khalil city in order to build a road serving Jewish settlers from the illegal settlement of Negohot. Settlers from Negohot settlement supervised the bulldozing activities, which took place under military protection. (PALINFO 6 May 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized equipment from Farsh Al-Hawa Al-Hawa, west of Hebron, in the southern West Bank. The IOA stormed Khirbet Farsh al-Hawa and seized iron equipment and iron bridges, owned by Ra’afat Sarhan Nasser al-Din, who was using these equipment and iron bridges to reclaim his land. (WAFA 12 May 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished agricultural structures as well as the foundation of a house under construction, north of Jericho city in the West Bank. Israeli bulldozers, accompanied by
troops, stormed Fasayil village and began razing agricultural structures, belonging to local resident, Suleiman Sawarka. The bulldozers also razed the foundations of a house belonging to another resident, identified as Mahmoud al-Kaabneh. Al-Kaabneh said he received a stop work order from occupation authorities, just one week ago. (IMEMC 13 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded al-Mo’arrajat Bedouin community, west of Jericho city in the occupied West Bank, before confiscating three tents and one solar panel. The IOA invaded the al-Ras area, in the al-Mo’arrajat Bedouin community, before dismantling and confiscating two residential tents, and one tent that was used as a barn, and confiscated them. The dismantled and confiscated tents are owned by a local shepherd, identified as Eid Ahmad Fazza’. (WAFA 13 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded al-Ras al-Ahmari and al-Baq’a Bedouin communities, in northern Jordan Valley of the occupied West Bank, and demolished livestock pens in addition to seizing water lines. The IOA invaded the al-Baq’a area, before destroying and confiscating water pipelines, owned by a local, identified as Mowaffaq Daraghma. The IOA also demolished several livestock pens, owned by Jarrah Bani Odah, in the Ras al-Ahmar area. (IMEMC 14 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ordered a halt on the construction of eight houses and agricultural structures in Nahalin town, west of the southern West Bank city of Bethlehem. The IOA ordered a stop on the construction of the houses and structures, including a house under construction, purportedly for being built with licenses. Just three days stop-construction orders were served to eight houses, at least three of which are inhabited, in the town, under the same pretext, a move that he slammed as a “fierce attack” against Palestinian construction to make room for the expansion of the nearby Israeli colonial settlement bloc of Gush Etzion. The orders were served after the settlement group Regavim posted a video purportedly claiming that Palestinian urban expansion in the area hinders Israel’s annexation move. (WAFA 15 May 2020)

• In the al-Walaja village, west of Bethlehem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Nab’at al-Hadfa area, and demolished an 80 square/meter structure, owned by Fayez Abed-Rabbo, allegedly for being built without a permit from the so-called Civil Administration Office, the administrative branch of Israel’s illegal occupation. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)
• In the West Bank city of Tulkarem, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers attacked Palestinian farm land, and army bulldozers began razing olive trees in an area estimated at four acres in size. The farm land razed is located between the Kafa and Shoufa villages, southeast of Tulkarem city in the northern occupied West Bank. More than 10 Israeli army bulldozers, backed by armored vehicles and several armed Israeli settlers, embarked on bulldozing the farm land and uprooting the olive trees, among other crops. The razed farm land belongs to the Palestinian families of Hamed, Aref and Yaccoub, and is located west of the Israeli settlement of Avni Hefetz, which was erected on the soil of the Palestinian villages of Alshofa, Kafa, Kufr Albalad and Alhafasy. Few months ago, Israeli troops closed main roads, leading to those farm lands by placing large sand piles. Since then, the IOA prevented local farmers from reaching their farm lands. (IMEMC 19 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ordered a halt on the construction of two mobile homes in al-Auja town, located to the north of Jericho city. The IOA handed Ali Rashayda a military notice, ordering him to evict his two mobile homes and stop their construction. (WAFA 20 May 2020)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized a mobile home in Furush Beit Dajan village, located to the east of West Bank city of Nablus. Several Israeli military vehicles stormed the village, where soldiers seized a mobile home belonging to Muhammad Hamed, a villager, without any prior notice. (WAFA 20 May 2020)

• Israeli troops embarked on erecting a bypass road, in the Huwara village, south of Nablus city in the northern occupied West Bank. The Road is seven kilometers-long and that it will be located on about 100 acres of Palestinian farm lands. Israeli army bulldozers have been bulldozing and razing Palestinian farm lands, for the second day consecutively. The bulldozing will cause the destruction of a total of 2800 olive trees owned by Palestinians in the villages of Burin, Huwara Beta, Ourt, Yatma, Sawiya and Yasouf, located in southern Nablus city. (IMEMC 20 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) in Jerusalem has announced its intent to confiscate a plot of land in Wadi Rababa neighborhood in Silwan city, south of the Aqsa Mosque, to use it as a Jewish cemetery. The IOA issued a decision to seize over one and a half dunums of land to use it for the burial of Jewish settlers. The IOA gave the Jerusalemite citizens who would be affected by its decision two weeks to file an objection with Israeli courts. Israel’s nature and parks authority and
antiquities authority had started targeting this piece of land several years ago through creating fake graves on it. (PALINFO 28 MAY 2020)

- Israel seized a plot of farmland in Yaabad town, west of the northern West Bank city of Jenin. Israeli military phoned the landowner, identified as a member of the Abu Baker family, and informed him about a military decision to seize his 3.5-dunums ranch, adjacent to the Israeli settlement of Mevo Dotan. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) appropriated a Palestinian-owned agricultural land in Ya'bad town, southeast of Jenin in the West Bank. An Israeli army officer phoned a Palestinian citizen from the family of Abu Bakr and notified him of a decision to seize 3.5 dunums of agricultural land belonging to him near a military checkpoint and the settlement of Mevo Dotan. About one year ago, the Israeli occupation army seized hundreds of dunums along the road between Jenin and Tulkarem, deployed barbed wire around the area and declared it a closed military zone. (PALINFO 30 MAY 2020)

- The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) displaced one Jerusalemite families after forcing them to demolish their own homes in Jabel Mukaber belonged to the brothers Imad and Ahmed Mashahera, who had to raze it after the IOA threatened to make them pay an exorbitant sum of money if its municipal crews carried out the demolition. The IOA justified the measure by claiming the house was built with no license. (IMEMC 30 May 2020)

- In Silwan in occupied East Jerusalem, citizen Fares al-Khales was forced to demolish his own house under the pretext that his house was built with no license. (PALINFO 30 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) informed residents of Birayn, a small village near the town of Yatta to the south of Hebron in the occupied West Bank, about their intention to demolish five residential structures and the building of the village’s council. An Israeli army force raided the village and handed notices to local residents informing them of the demolition order, citing the lack of construction permits as a pretext for the intended demolitions. (WAFA 31 MAY 2020)

**Expansion of settlements**

- Israeli authorities endorsed the erection of a new Israeli settlement near the Kufur Qasem town, north of the West Bank. According to Ma’areef Israeli Hebrew-language newspaper, the 10 acres of Palestinian farm land, on which the settlement is set to be erected, will be rather designated as a cemetery for the Israeli colonial settlement of Sha’er Hamsharoun, accommodating around 30,000 tomb stones. A new
industrial zone for settlers, is planned to be erected in the West Bank region. (IMEMC, MAARIV 2 May 2020)

• The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) expropriated a vast tract of land in the village in order to build a cemetery for Jewish settlers. The IOA recently approved a plan to start building the largest cemetery for settlers on Palestinian land in the West Bank, pointing out that the graveyard is intended to contain 30,000 burial spaces. The plan would lead to the destruction of about 243 dunums of Palestinian-owned agricultural land planted with olive and almond trees behind the separation wall. The cemetery land would be seized not only from Azzun Atma village but also from the villages of Az-Zawiya and Mas-ha in Salfit province. (PALINFO 3 May 2020)

• Israeli “defense” minister Naftali Bennett announced that he gave the final approval to the plan to seize Palestinian land and property in the Old City of al-Khalil to build a path and an elevator to facilitate the entry of Jewish settlers to the Ibrahimi Mosque. Bennett gave the civil administration’s higher planning council, an affiliate of the Israeli occupation army, the green light to complete all procedures needed to confiscate private Palestinian property near the Ibrahimi Mosque for the project. Bennett stressed the need to start carrying the project immediately and without delay after the plan received approval from the judicial authorities, Israeli premier Benjamin Netanyahu and foreign minister Israel Katz. (PALINFO 4 May 2020)

• Israel’s provisional defense minister, Naftali Bennett, announced his intention to advance some 7,000 units on 1,100 dunams in the settlement jurisdiction of Efrat, in the area known by Palestinians as a-Nahle, and settlement opponents as E2, and settlers as the future settlement of Givat Eitam. This declaratory gesture came after the Civil Administration gave permission to the Ministry of Housing to craft a plan for the housing project, following the Civil Administration’s rejection on 3 May of a letter of appeal sent by Peace Now and 14 Palestinian landowners in February 2019 against the allocation of the land for settlement purposes. The announcement also comes ahead of the presumptive swearing-in of a new Israeli coalition government in the coming weeks, during which Bennett will step down as defense minister. Peace Now has in response sent a letter to the Civil Administration announcing its intention to file a court petition against the allocation of the land for settlement purposes, and asking for 30 days to prepare it. Just as in the 2019 letter of appeal, this petition will challenge the allocation of the land itself, rather than the housing plan that the Housing Ministry will prepare and submit. Peace Now’s main arguments were threefold: 1. The allocation of land to build a
settlement contravenes Israel’s duties to protect the land for the local Palestinian population according to international law; 2. Allocating land to Israelis over Palestinians is tainted by discrimination since 99.8% of West Bank land allocated since 1967 has been gone primarily to Israeli purposes, and 3; The Palestinian need for the land in question is far greater than that of the Efrat settlement, as a Peace Now spatial Planning analysis confirms. For more on the legal arguments of the appeal, read here. In late 2018, the state had announced its intention to allocate the land to the Housing Ministry for settlement planning. Peace Now was notified of this intention due to a previous High Court case filed by Peace Now demanding that the state notify Peace Now before allocating the land so that it can challenge this intention in court. That 2018 announcement came after settlers founded an illegal outpost in the wake of the terror-related stabbing of Gush Etzion resident, Ari Fuld. Several months later, the Israeli authorities retroactively legalized the outpost. The area in question is a barren hill near the Palestinian village a-Nahla, abutting Bethlehem to the south, and is nicknamed “E2” by settlement opponents for its resemblance to El, inasmuch as a settlement there would severely dismember Palestinian territorial contiguity and thereby threaten the very possibility of a two-state solution. Officially, Israeli authorities would classify the Givat Eitam settlement as a “neighborhood” of Efrat. For the previous update on this story, see here. Peace Now: “This is a cynical move by a caretaker defense minister at the end of his mandate while the nation is still reeling from the corona crisis to advance a dangerous plan aimed at entrenching permanent Israeli domination in the southern West Bank and harming the prospect of a two-state solution. The right thing to do is to allocate the land for Palestinian construction, but the Ministry of Defense is currently run by an irresponsible politician willing to cross any red line in the name of his anti-democratic ideology.” (PEACENOW 6 May 2020)

- The Israeli Defense Minister Naftali Bennett gave initial approval to a 7,000 unit West Bank construction project in Efrat, in a move that would help expand building within the settlement’s municipal lines in the direction of the Palestinian city of Bethlehem. Bennett’s authorization allows planning to commence on a hilltop known as Givat HaEitam, thereby marking a significant turning point in both the 20-year battle to develop that part of Gush Etzion area and in the transformation of Efrat into a city. Left-wing and Palestinian opponents of the project have dubbed it “E2,” viewing it as one more step that stymies the potential expansion of Bethlehem which is
increasingly squeezed on two sides between development in Jerusalem’s Har Homa neighborhood and building projects in Efrat. For the Palestinians, the project plays the same role in the Gush Etzion region as the E1 building project within the Ma’aleh Adumim settlement. That one project only includes 3,500 units. This E2 project is double the size. Both projects are seen by Palestinians as major stumbling blocks to the contiguous development of areas which they hold will be part of the final boundaries of their state. Moving the 7,000 unit Givat HaEitam project forward is one of a number of high level steps Bennett has taken to make his mark in the West Bank, in what are likely his final weeks as Defense Minister. In announcing the project advancement, Bennett’s office said it would “enable the arrival of new residents [to Efrat], the continued expansion of the settlement as part of reinforcing the greater Gush Etzion region.” Bennett said, “earlier I gave a green light for thousands of new apartments in Efrat in Gush Etzion. I instructed the defense establishment to continue to strengthen the settlements in a resolute fashion.” Efrat Council head Oded Revivi said, “Today we mark an important moment in a 20-year journey during which we have overcome a host of political, legal and professionals hurdles to obtain the appropriate permits for Givat HaEytam.” He added that this has included cases before the High Court of Justice. “Over the years Efrat has become the heartbeat of Gush Etzion. [The community] welcomes the faith the government of Israel, led by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, has placed in its ability to expand and build so that it can absorb new immigrants, young couples and families who seek a quality life in a settlement near Jerusalem,” Revivi said. Peace Now charged: “This is a cynical move by a caretaker defense minister at the end of his mandate, while the nation is still reeling from the corona crisis, to advance a dangerous plan aimed at entrenching permanent Israeli domination in the southern West Bank and harming the prospect of a two-state solution. The right thing to do is to allocate the land for Palestinian construction, but the Ministry of Defense is currently run by an irresponsible politician willing to cross any red line in the name of his anti-democratic ideology.” (JPOST 9 May 2020)

- The coordinator of the Israeli government activities in the West Bank has issued orders to seize Palestinian lands and real estate near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the Old City of al-Khalil to carry out a project for Jewish settlers. The project includes the construction of a special path with a parking lot, rest areas and lanes that leads to the Mosque and the installation of an elevator at the end of the path to carry Jewish settlers into the holy site. The step has been taken on the instructions of
Israeli so-called defense minister Naftali Bennett, who gave early last month the final approval to a plan to seize Palestinian land and property in the Old City of al-Khalil to build a path and an elevator to facilitate the entry of Jewish settlers to the Ibrahimi Mosque. Israeli premier Benjamin Netanyahu and attorney general Avichai Mandelblit had already given their approval to the plan. The he Israeli occupation authority notified the Palestinian Authority and the competent authorities of its intents to carry out the project within 60 days. (PALINFO 13 May 2020)

- Israeli premier Benjamin Netanyahu has decided to formulate a thorough Judaization plan for Occupied Jerusalem. “I ask the director generals of the prime minister’s office and the heritage ministry, together with finance minister Yisrael Katz, to prepare a special NIS 200 million plan to continue developing and strengthening Jerusalem. This is also important in the corona era. This is important because Jerusalem is always our greatest joy. I can conclude and say: Next year in the rebuilt and healthy Jerusalem,” Netanyahu said during a cabinet meeting on Sunday. For his part, Israeli minister Rabbi Rafi Peretz stressed the importance of such Judaization plan to strengthen the occupied holy city as a Jewish tourist attraction. “The challenge of restoration after the corona crisis is a great challenge. The city of Jerusalem was specially hit because tourism is a key component of the city’s economy. Over 80 percent of tourists who come to Israel visit Jerusalem. We will construct an in-depth and thorough plan to strengthen and improve our capital Jerusalem,” Peretz said. (PALINFO 25 May 2020)

**Erection of Outposts**

- Israeli settlers installed, a big tent on Palestinian lands in the at-Tiwana village, in Masafer Yatta area, south of Hebron, in the southern part of the occupied West Bank. The settlers came from the Ma’on and Havat Ma’on outposts, which were built in private Palestinian lands east of Yatta. The settlers, accompanied by many Israeli Occupation Army (IOA), installed the tent on the invaded lands, and stayed in them along with their families. (IMEMC 31 MAY 2020)

**Erection of Israeli checkpoints**

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a checkpoint on the road, which was built about a year ago to decrease the distance between the
northern villages and Qalqilya city, intercepted passing cars and checked the IDs of passengers. (PALINFO 12 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Silat al-Harithiya town, northwest of the occupied West Bank city of Jenin. The IOA erected a checkpoint at the entrance of the town, stopping Palestinian vehicles and inspecting passengers’ ID cards. (WAFA 29 May 2020)

**Israeli Closures**

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) blocked the main entrance to Kafr Malik town in the east of Ramallah Governorate. The IOA set up a military checkpoint on the main road leading to the town and prevented Palestinian vehicles from going in or out. The IOA has intensified its military measures around the town recently and embarked on setting up makeshift checkpoints in the area. (PALINFO 3 May 2020)

- The Israeli authorities extended its closure order for six more months of Palestine TV’s office in Jerusalem. Israel’s Public Security Minister Gilad Erdan, issued the order the first time six months ago, closing Palestine TV’s office in East Jerusalem and banning its staff from doing any work for the official TV station under the threat of arrest and paying fines. (WAFA 11 May 2020)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) has maintained a tight siege on Ya’bad town in southern Jenin, where fierce clashes took place and continued into the dawn hours of today between local youths and the IOA. Two young men were injured by gunfire and many others suffered from their exposure to tear gas fumes during the events. Following the IOF’s withdrawal from the town, a large number of troops stormed it once again, spread through its streets and carried out new raids on homes and arrests. During its ongoing campaign, the IOA detained dozens of local residents, including families and 10 from one building. (PALINFO 13 May 2020)

- The Israeli Occupation sealed off all entrances to Ya’bad town, west of Jenin city. The IOA closed the main eastern entrance of the town as well as other secondary roads linking the town to the surrounding villages of Nazle, Tura al-Gharbiya and Tura Ash-Sharqiya with barrels and cement blocks, maintaining a tight cordon on the town. The western entrance of the town has been closed with a metal gate for over 10 years. The IOA stormed Leila Hamarsheh family’s house after detonating the main door, and abused her family members, including
her father, a disabled person, who spent 14 years in Israeli imprisonment. (WAFA 17 May 2020)

- Israeli police invaded the “Volunteer for Hope” charitable organization in Jerusalem, ordering it’s closure for a total of six months. The charity is located in Beit Hanina village, in occupied East Jerusalem. The order included the closure of the charity as well as the suspension of all employees the charity which serves to support struggling families with special needs children, and youth. An alleged violation of “Israeli sovereignty” was the reason given by Israeli Minister of Internal Security, Gilad Erdan, for the closure. No further details were provided. (IMEMC 18 May 2020)

Other

- Palestinian laborers from the West Bank who work in Israel (with or without permits) do not have their rights as workers protected – a reality that leaves them vulnerable to exploitation by employers. Those with permits have to set out from home early in the morning, undergo the grueling, degrading experience of crossing crowded checkpoints into Israel, and return home after a long, exhausting work day. Many also have to pay brokers thousands of shekels a month for the permit. Those who do not have a permit have to take risky routes to enter Israel, often endangering their lives. None of these workers receive the social benefits to which they are entitled, and they are exploited by their employers – while the state refrains from supervising their work conditions. After the corona pandemic began, Israel announced that Palestinians from the West Bank who wished to continue working in Israel would not be allowed to return home for fear of infection. However, the authorities did not issue any directives for accommodating them within Israel and some had to sleep at the construction sites themselves, in disgraceful conditions. In March, Israel declared it would allow some 70,000 workers to remain in its territory, but many chose to return to the West Bank, citing fear of infection and the difficulty of being away from their families as key reasons. About 20,000 stayed in Israel. These workers did not receive any compensation, such as unemployment wages or a grant, and many were fired without compensation. The laborers now remaining in Israel have no medical insurance and should they have to return to the West Bank for treatment, they risk losing their job. In three cases that B’Tselem documented, laborers suspected of contracting the virus were taken to a checkpoint in the West Bank and left there, with no medical
assistance or coordination with any authority on the West Bank. According to media reports, as of this Sunday, 3 May, some 50,000 laborers from the West Bank will be allowed into Israel to work in construction or agriculture. They will receive a one-time entry permit and will not be allowed to go home until Ramadan is over, in about three weeks’ time. The duty to provide them with fitting accommodation still lies with their employers – without any state supervision. Should they fall ill during this time, they will be sent back to the West Bank. (BTSELEM 1 May 2020)

• Member of the Knesset May Golan (Likud) submitted a bill calling for imposing Israel’s sovereignty on the occupied territories of the Jordan Valley, the northern Dead Sea area and the West Bank. According to Israel’s Channel 7, economy minister and MK Eli Cohen (Likud) also joined the initiative and expressed his support for it. "This is an area that is a political, security, and economic asset, and there are thousands of Zionist Israelis and true pioneers who are an integral part of the State of Israel [there]," Golan claimed. "The bill is intended to rectify the existing situation and end all historical injustice. I have no doubt that there is a broad consensus in all parts of the Knesset that supports the proposal and it is time to implement it," she added. Yesha settlement council chairman David Elhayani also expressed his support for the Knesset bill. "I applaud MK May Golan, who today received an exemption from the initial reading of the bill to apply Israeli sovereignty in the Jordan Valley, Northern Dead Sea area, and Jewish communities in Judea and Samaria (West Bank). The bill can already be introduced for preliminary reading at the Knesset plenum." "The proposed law would apply Israeli sovereignty in Judea and Samaria (West Bank) and the Jordan Valley without recognition of a "Palestinian state" that endangers the future of the State of Israel, nor does it refer to president Trump’s ‘deal of the century.’ We urge all Knesset members of the national camp to stand behind the bill in order to promote sovereignty and prevent the establishment of a Palestinian state, God forbid," Elhayani was quoted as saying . In this regard, Channel 7 affirmed that US president Trump’s deal of the century, in principle gave Israel the green light to impose sovereignty on the Jordan Valley and the West Bank. (PALINFO 4 May 2020)

• The Palestinian Water Authority (PWA) stated, that Israeli authorities drastically cut the amount of water allocated to the West Bank districts of Jenin, Nablus, Ramallah and Hebron, in recent days. The sudden drop interrupted the water supply to the public, and caused irregular water pressure, adding that the PWA had difficulty managing and
distributing the decreased amount of water in a fair and efficient manner. (IMEMC 22 MAY 2020)