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Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine 15 June 2020

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats in the occupied Palestinian territory, the confiscation and razing of lands, the uprooting and destruction of fruit trees, the expansion of settlements and erection of outposts, the brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army, the Israeli settlers violence against Palestinian civilians and properties, the erection of checkpoints, the construction of the Israeli segregation wall and the issuance of military orders for the various Israeli purposes.

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and \or news sources.

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Violations of the Israeli occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinian civilians from the southern West Bank city of Bethlehem, identified as; Osaid Al-Din Abu Shaira, 17, from Aida refugee camp, Muhammad Omar Al-Badawneh from Aida refugee camp, and Wajeeh Ibrahim Atallah from the town of Hermala. (IMEMC 15 June 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinians from Jerusalem in the southern West Bank, identified as; Youssef Al-Salti and his brother, Muhammad Al-Salti, both from Wadi Al-Joz,. Mustafa Muhammad Nayfeh from the town of Abu Dis, and Murad Rabee also from the town of Abu Dis. The home of Ibrahim Atallah, 23, was ransacked by Israeli troops before he was detained. Israeli army invaded the homes of the two young men detained from Abu Dis, before detaining them. (IMEMC 15 June 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in northwest of Jenin in the northern West Bank, Palestinian youth, Atiyyeh Nabhan, was detained during the military court hearing of his imprisoned brother. (IMEMC 15 June 2020)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) carried out a limited incursion into the northern area of the Gaza Strip, razing tracts of Palestinian farmland. Two Israeli military bulldozers rolled a few hundred meters into Beit Lahia town in the northern Gaza Strip, and razed Palestinian lands. (PALINFO 15 June 2020)
- Two Palestinian workers were injured during a pursuit by Israeli soldiers near the separation barrier in the north of the West Bank, according to local sources. They told WAFA that Israeli soldiers chased a number of workers near the village of Anin, west of Jenin, as they apparently were trying to enter Israel through the separation barrier in search of work. Two of the workers fell off cliff during the pursuit and suffered fractures and bruises. They were detained and taken to hospital in Israel, said the sources. (WAFA 15 June 2020)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers from the settlement of Dabouyia assaulted a Palestinian man on Shuhada Street in Hebron, southern West Bank. (IMEMC 15 June 2020)
- Israeli settlers from the Kiryat Arba settlement in Hebron <u>attacked</u> Palestinian homes and vehicles, causing property damage. (IMEMC 15 June 2020)
- Israeli settlers stormed the village of al-Tuwanah, in the Masafer Yatta area in the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron. Settlers from the adjacent settlement of Havat Maon, under the protection of the military, invaded the village, attacked homes and shouted profanities at locals, resisted the attack. (IMEMC 15 June 2020)
- Dozens of Jewish settlers escorted by police forces entered the Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem and desecrated its courtyards. Groups of Israeli settlers entered the Mosque through al-Maghariba Gaza and toured its courtyards under tight police guard. Israeli rabbi and former MK Yehuda Glick was seen among a group of settlers giving a lecture about the alleged temple mount. Meanwhile, the Israeli occupation police detained on the same day four Jerusalemite young men from Wadi al-Joz neighborhood on a charge of fending off rabbi Glick about 10 days ago after he entered the mourning house of martyr Iyad al-Hallaq, an autistic local young man who was shot dead recently by police officers. (PALINFO 15 June 2020)
- Israeli settlers bulldozed a vast tract of Palestinian land in Jalud village, south of Nablus in the occupied West Bank. The bulldozers belonging to Shvut Rachel settlers embarked on leveling swaths of land in Jalud village, particularly in the area known as Khafafish. (PALINFO 15 June 2020)
- Israeli Jewish group called "Hilltop Youth" has showed that a new big tunnel is being built under the Aqsa Mosque and its western wall and will be opened officially in early July. Hilltop Youth published the footage about the new tunnel for a few minutes on its website and then removed it. The footage showed a tunnel was being dug and Jewish settlers excitedly carrying dirt and rocks from the site, utilizing digging equipment and taking pictures for themselves during the work. The tunnel goes beneath the Aqsa Mosque compound, especially at its Maghariba Gate, its western wall, the Umayyad Palaces area at the compound's southern wall, and the triple door of the Marwani prayer hall. (PALINFO 15 June 2020)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) distributed orders for the demolition of several Palestinian homes in Beit Sira village in the West Bank Governorate of Ramallah. The IOA stormed the village and handed a number of Palestinian families home demolition orders over "unlicensed construction". (PLAINFO 15 June 2020)
- The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) displaced two Palestinian families after demolishing their building in Shu'afat refugee camp, east of Jerusalem, at the pretext of unlicensed construction. A large number of police forces escorting employees from the Israeli municipality and bulldozers stormed Ras Shahada neighborhood in Shu'afat camp and knocked down a house belonging to the families of Osama Ahmed Alkam and Iyhab Hasan Alkam. Two families of 10 individuals, including women and children, were living in that house. Osama and Ihyhab had already received a demolition ultimatum against their house from the Israeli municipality, which justified the measure by claiming the house was built with no license. (PALINFO 15 June 2020)
- In the agriculturally-rich northern West Bank area of Al-Aghwar, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a Palestinian-owned livestock tent. The IOA invaded Um Liqya rural neighborhood and began tearing down a tent, used by local farmers as a livestock pen. The pen is owned by Palestinian resident, Abdelrahman Qasem, who was shocked to see his crude tin sheet animal pen had been destroyed by the army. (IMEMC 15 June 2020)

Other

• The Israeli occupation government approved a plan to build a new settlement in the occupied Golan Heights named after US president Donald Trump. Minister of settlement affairs Tzipi Hotovely wrote on Facebook that her ministry would start preparations for Ramat Trump — Hebrew for "Trump Heights" — to house 300 Jewish families. In March 2019, Trump signed an executive order recognizing the strategic mountainous plateau as Israeli territory. The move came during a visit to Washington by Israeli premier Benjamin Netanyahu just weeks before Israeli elections. Trump's decision was just one of several steps he made in favor of Israel and in violation of international law. The Israeli

government's approval of the plan, will involve earmarking 8 million shekels (\$2.3 million) for developing the settlement. The settlement project was already announced by Netanyahu last year during a ceremony held in the Golan Heights. The government made the announcement on Sunday deliberately to mark Trump's 74th birthday. "Happy birthday President. You've been an incredible friend to Israel and you've done extraordinary things for the Jewish state for which we are eternally grateful," Netanyahu said in a tweet on Sunday. (PALINFO 15 June 2020)