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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine

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

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## Violations of the Israeli occupation Army

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Yabous Cultural Centre and Edward Said National Conservatory of Music (ESNCM) in the center of occupied East Jerusalem and confiscated thousands of documents, files, PCs, tablets, and surveillance cameras. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) also raided a house owned by the couple: Rania Elias and Suhail Khouri, Directors of the abovementioned centers, in Beit Hanina village, north of occupied East Jerusalem. IOA searched the house and confiscated several devices and private files and detained both Khouri and Elias. At approximately 09:00 an Israeli force of the police and Intelligence Service raided Yabous Cultural Centre and ESNCM on al-Zahra'a street in occupied East Jerusalem and confiscated documents, files, PCs, tablets, and surveillance cameras. An Israeli force of police and Intelligence Service stationed adjacent to ESNCM waiting for the staff to arrive before raiding it, alleging that they have a search warrant from the Israeli police and approved by the court, that allows them to search ESNCM and confiscate the devices and files alleging connection to funding terrorism. An Israeli force also arrested Dawoud al-Ghoul, Director of Jerusalem Arts Network – Shafaq after raiding his house in Silwan village, and confiscated documents and files. The IOA confiscated large numbers of files and PCs, financial files of the years from 2014 – 2020, and 7 PCs and all papers from the center. About 15 Israeli police and intelligence officers were inside ESNCM, in addition to other forces deployed in its vicinity. They also confiscated about 21 medium-sized boxes of files and devices from both centers and the surveillance cameras. The IOA confiscated devices Khuori and Elias' house, Directors of both centers under the pretext of counter-terrorism and alleged having a search warrant by the Israeli court that allowed them to confiscate any content in the center without explanation. The IOA also raided ESNCM auditor's office in Jerusalem. Khouri and Elias were detained at Abu Ghnaim police station, south of occupied East Jerusalem on charges of financing terrorist organizations. They were interrogated for 12 consecutive hours and then released with conditions. As for Dawoud al-Ghoul, Director of Jerusalem Arts Network, his detention was extended until appearing before court the next day. Israeli authorities claimed during a joint statement by the

Israeli spokesperson for the Israeli police in Jerusalem, a spokesperson for the Ministry of Justice, and a spokesperson for the Tax Authority, that the detention was based on a confidential investigation of suspicious violations and serious economic crimes related to income tax evasion, money laundering, and other crimes. Suhail Khouri (57), contributed in establishing multiple artistic and cultural institutions in Palestine in addition to developing ESNM with its branches spread across Palestinian cities. As for his wife, Rania Elias, who runs Yabous Cultural Centre, a Palestinian civil society organization founded in 1995 and based in East Jerusalem that aims at reviving the cultural life in the occupied city, and shedding a light on the city's importance, its Arab identity, history, and its religious, political and cultural influences. (PCHRGAZA, IMEMC 22 July 2020)

- The Israeli authorities continue to force a detainee under solitary confinement for the 130<sup>th</sup> consecutive day, under extremely bad conditions. The detainee, Mohammad Omar Kharwat, was forced into solitary confinement instantly after he was moved from Ramon prison to Ayalon-Ramla prison at the end of March. The detainee, from the southern West Bank city of Hebron, was taken prisoner in the year 2002, and was sentenced to four life terms. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)
- In Hebron, in the southern part of the occupied West Bank, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) searched many homes in the governorate and detained Issa Salah al-'Amour, from Yatta town, south of Hebron city, in addition to Mohammad Issa, Hisham Mahmoud Najajra, 55, Baha' Kamal Jawabra and Omar Karim, from the al-'Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron, Mohannad Ahmad Hawamda and Ghassan Mohammad al-Mahareeq, from the Sammoa' town, south of Hebron, along with Mahmoud Issa, from Beit Awwa town, west of Hebron. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)
- In Ramallah governorate, in central West Bank, The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Ibrahim Oleyyan, 27, from the al-Am'ari refugee camp, and Ibrahim Salim Abdo, 27, from Umm ash-Sharayet neighborhood in al-Biereh city, while resident Mohamad Eyas Najjar from the al-Jalazoun refugee camp, was detained after being summoned for interrogation. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)

- In Tubas, in central West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detainee three Palestinians from Tayasir village, identified as Salama Abul-Razeq, Eyad Mithqal Abu Mohsin, and Jrouh Fayez Sbeih. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)
- Israeli navy opened fire towards Palestinian fishermen sailing offshore As-Sudaniya, northwest of Gaza city, and farmers, southeast of Gaza city. The fishermen were sailing only three nautical miles offshore the area when Israeli naval boats opened gunfire and water hoses towards them. The fishermen had to leave the water and abruptly end their fishing mission, which is their sole source of livelihood. No injuries were reported though. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)
- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) manning the border fence fired live rounds and tear gas at a group of farmers who were tending to their groves to the east of the al-Zaytoun neighborhood, southeast of Gaza city. The farmers were forced to leave their groves and no injuries were reported among them. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)

## Israeli Settler Violence

- Scores of Israeli settlers stormed al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem amid heavy police presence. 228 Israeli settlers forced their way into al-Aqsa Mosque in the morning and performed Talmudic rituals near Bab al-Rahma prayer area. Large police forces accompanied the settlers as they carried out provocative tours inside the compound and prevented Palestinian worshipers from approaching the eastern side of the Mosque. Restrictions were tightened on the Palestinian worshipers entering the site, and many of them were ordered to stay outside during the settler break-in. (PALINFO 22 July 2020)
- A horde of Israeli settlers torched large areas of Palestinian land in Madama village in the West Bank Governorate of Nablus. The fire destroyed dozens of olive trees owned by Palestinian citizens in Madama and neighboring villages. Israeli occupation Army (IOA) deliberately hindered the work of Palestinian civil defense crews who rushed to the scene to put out the fire and fired tear gas canisters at them. (PALINFO 22 July 2020)
- Israeli settler group, who come from Yitzhar Settlement, seized a water well in their village and set up a pump to steal water from it and transfer it to their houses. (PALINFO 22 July 2020)

## Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished an under-construction house in al-Shayyah neighborhood in al-Mokaber Mount area, southeast of occupied East Jerusalem, under the pretext of non-licensing. Israeli Municipality staff raided Saif al-Deen 'Ali Jum'a's house to check if he implemented the municipality order to self-demolish his under-construction house. The Israeli Municipality staff withdrew and later returned with military construction vehicles to complete the demolition of the house wall and foundations. It should be noted that Jum'a attempted to complete the construction of his 100-square-meter house, but the municipality prevented him, under the pretext of non-licensing. (PCHRGAZA 22 July 2020)
- Israeli authorities notified to demolish and stop construction works in an under-construction house and 4 agricultural rooms in al-Walajah village, west of Bethlehem. The IOA moved into al-Walajah village, where they distributed a cease-construction notice and a demolition notice to Ameen Fawzi Khalifa's house, under the pretext of non-licensing. 'Awadallah pointed out that IOF also distributed cease-construction notices and demolition notices to 4 agricultural rooms belonging to Taha Mohammed 'Awadallah, Khaled and Ahmed Mohammed al-A'raj, and 'Emad Khader al-A'raj. 'Awadallah added that IOA ordered the facilities' owners to self-demolish their facilities or they will pay the demolition costs for the Israeli municipality. (PCHRGAZA 22 July 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded, Beit Ummar town, north of the southern West Bank city of Hebron, and demolished a carwash facility, under the pretext of being constructed without a permit. The carwash facility is in the al-Qarn area of Beit Ummar, and was built more than a month ago on privately-owned Palestinian lands. The demolished facility was about 200 square meters, owned by a local, identified as Emad Mohammad Abu Ayyash. Abu Ayyash received the demolition order from the army less than a week ago, and the army went ahead with the demolition without granting time for appeals. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)
- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) demolished a Palestinian house under construction in Jabal al-Mukabber village southeast of Jerusalem. The 90-square-meter house belongs to the Palestinian citizen Saif ed-Din Jom'a. (PALINFO 22 July 2020)

## Israeli Military Orders

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) backed by military construction vehicles and accompanied with Israeli Civil Administration officers moved into al-Tawana village, south of Hebron. Israeli Civil Administration officers handed Jamal Mohammed 'Issa Rab'I (40) 2 cease-construction notices to his 40-square-meter agricultural room and a water well, under the pretext of non-licensing. IOF gave al-Rab'i until 27 July 2020 to challenge the demolition. (PCHRGAZA 22 July 2020)
- Israeli authorities seized large tracts of agricultural land, near Jabal al-Fureidis ("Mountain of the Little Paradise") in Beit Ta'mir, in the southern occupied West Bank. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)
- Israeli Occupation authorities (IOA) issued military orders confiscating 700 dunams (173 acres) of Palestinian-owned land, surrounding Jabal al-Fureidis, east of Bethlehem city, expropriating the land for an Israeli national park. The IOA recently cordoned off the area with barbed wire, and installed an iron gate. (IMEMC 22 July 2020)

## Erection of Israeli checkpoints

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) established 2 checkpoints at the southern entrance to Hebron and at the northern entrance to Yatta. (PCHRGAZA 22 July 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) established 3 checkpoints at the northern entrance to Halhoul and at the entrances to Ethna and Beit Kahel villages. (PCHRGAZA 22 July 2020)