



ARIJ DAILY REPORT

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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

- An undercover unit of Israeli forces, also called “Musta’ribeen” detained a young man near the Shu’fat refugee camp roadblock, northeast of occupied Jerusalem, in the central West Bank. A group of undercover agents (Musta’ribeen) invaded the Shu’fat refugee camp, chased the young man, and detained him from inside a cafeteria near the military roadblock. The police disguised as Palestinians, driving a civilian vehicle, detained Palestinian youth, Yazan Omran Abeid, while he was in the Obaid neighborhood, and pointed weapons at bystanders, to deter them from intervening. (IMEMC 9 September 2020)
- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) restricted the movement of the Palestinian Authority's Governor of Jerusalem, Adnan Ghaith, to his hometown, Silwan, and prohibited him from being in contact with more than 50 people, including President Mahmoud Abbas and Prime Minister Mohammad Shtayyeh. Since his appointment as governor of Jerusalem two years ago, Ghaith was detained more than 17 times, summoned for investigation dozens of times, and handed four military orders banning him from entering the West Bank, communicating with a list of national figures, and preventing him from participation in social events and occasions, and provision of humanitarian aid. (Wafa 9 September 2020)
- Israeli navy opened fire and water hoses towards fishermen sailing within three nautical miles offshore Gaza city, forcing them to flee to the shore. Fourteen years following the Israeli “disengagement” from Gaza, Israel has not actually disengaged from Gaza; it still maintains control of its land borders, access to the sea and airspace. (Wafa 9 September 2020)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers’ attempted to steal Palestinian-owned land to assemble an outpost in the village of Kufr Malik, east of Ramallah, in the central occupied West Bank. A large group of settlers invaded the area and began to erect caravans, when local residents quickly responded, by rushing to the site and confronting the settlers, and forcing them to retreat. The

Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stepped in to protect the settlers, attacking the Palestinian civilians, who were protecting their land from expropriation. No injuries were reported. (IMEMC 9 September 2020)

- A group of Israeli settlers uprooted and stole 45 Palestinian olive trees, from the Tormos-Ayya village, northeast of Ramallah. Settlers from nearby settlements uprooted and stole 45 olive trees from Palestinian-owned land. (IMEMC 9 September 2020)
- Israeli military bulldozers uprooted 22 olive trees Ras Karkar village, west of Ramallah city. Nu'man Nofal, a farmer from the village, stated that Israeli occupation Army (IOA) uprooted trees from his 50-donum land located in Ras Abu Zeitoun area, northeast of the village, to make room for the construction of a settler-only road. The farmer was denied access to his land, which the military has fenced off with barbed wire and installed a metal gate at its entrance, unless he has an Israeli permit. Nofal was able to reclaim his land by planting it with trees the last year, before it was razed. (IMEMC 9 September 2020)
- A group of Jewish settlers attacked Palestinian workmen at the main entrance to Burqa town in northern Nablus. The settlers infiltrated through the evacuated settlement of Homesh, hurled stones at construction workers near Burqa town and fired multiple gunshots in the area. Clashes broke out between the workers and the settlers in the area, with no reported casualties. (PALINFO 9 September 2020)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli municipality of West Jerusalem forced a Palestinian family to demolish their five shops in Jabal al-Mokkaber, south east of Occupied Jerusalem, in the central West Bank. Abed Sarry, one of the shop owners, stated that the Israeli municipality ordered him and his family demolish their five shops, from which they earn their income, under the pretext of the lack of building permit, although the family has attempted to obtain a building license for a decade, with no success. The family built the shops four years ago, after several attempts to obtain the license failed, noting that they were fined 60,000 shekels (\$17,687 USD), which they are currently paying to the municipality in instalments. The municipality forced the family to demolish the shops itself, or the municipality crews

- would knock them down and threatened to charge them 70,000 shekels (\$20,634 USD) in demolition costs. (MEMC 9 September 2020)
- Israeli occupation authorities issued demolition orders against several structures in the village of Kisan, east of Bethlehem city, in the southern occupied West Bank, local sources reported. Ahmad Ghazal, deputy head of Kisan village council, told Palestinian Wafa News Agency that occupation soldiers informed Mahmoud Ibayyat of their plan to raze his two shacks, which he uses as shelter for livestock, as well as a tent, adding that Ibayyat was told he has 20 days to evacuate the area, or the army will proceed with the demolition and seize everything. (MEMC 9 September 2020)
 - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Bani Na'im town, east of Hebron, where they took photos and measurements of slain Palestinian Mohammad Naser Tarayra as a prelude to punitivevly demolish it. Israeli military demolished the internal walls of the first floor of Tarayra's house back in August 2016. Tarayra, 17, was killed by Israeli military gunfire on June 30, 2016. (Wafa 9 September 2020)
 - The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) barged their way into al-Ramadin village, southwest of Hebron, where they handed three residents military orders to demolish their houses. (Wafa 9 September 2020)
 - The American road which Israel intends to build threatens to demolish dozens of Palestinian homes in different neighborhoods, including Jabel Mukaber. Dozens of Jerusalemite homes and structures on and around the road would be demolished, pointing out that Israel cites security reasons to justify the mass demolitions it intends to carry out in order to prevent the Jerusalemite homeowners from filing objections. 400 Jerusalemite houses will be threatened with demolition in Jabel Mukaber alone until July 2021. The Israel district planning and building committee in the holy city would convene soon to approve the American road project, which aims to connect east Jerusalem with the US embassy in west Jerusalem. (PALINFO 9 September 2020)
 - The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) forced a Jerusalemite citizen to demolish the fourth floor of his house in the Old City of Jerusalem. Hamed Hammad, the homeowner, stated that he was forced to remove the fourth floor of his house with his own hands in order to avoid paying exorbitant demolition expenses to the Israeli municipality. Hammad

started to demolish that part of the house three days ago. The house is located near the Aqsa Mosque. (PALINFO 9 September 2020)

- An Israeli court issued a verdict in favor of the settler group, Ateret Cohanim, ordering the evacuation of a Jerusalemite family from an apartment building in Silwan district, east of Jerusalem. The building contains three apartments accommodating 30 individuals of the Rajabi family. (PALINFO 9 September 2020)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

- Israeli occupation bulldozers, razed Palestinian-owned lands of Kifl Hares village, west of Salfit, in the northern occupied West Bank. Israeli bulldozers leveled dozens of dunums of land, owned by the heirs of Saeed Shamlawi, and that of Nimer Abdul Karim Shamlawi, near the Israeli Kiryat Nitafim settlement, established on Palestinian lands, with the intention to expand it. Ihab Shamlawi, one of the heirs of the land, stated that the heavy machinery razed 30 dunams in order to expand the settlement. The area has been under frequent assault by Israeli settlers. (IMEMC 9 September 2020)
- Israeli military vehicles infiltrated Gaza's border, east of Gaza city, and razed farmland. Israeli military vehicles advanced several dozens of meters into Gaza's eastern frontier, east of Gaza city, razing farmlands and placed dirt mounds while opening fire in the air. (Wafa 9 September 2020)
- Several Israeli army vehicles executed a limited incursion into eastern Khan Younis, in the south of the Gaza Strip. 6 Israeli military bulldozers and a tractor invaded east of Khan Younis city, leveling large areas of land near the Gaza border fence. (IMEMC 9 September 2020)

Expansion of Israeli settlements

- The Jerusalem Magistrate's Court **ruled last week** that the four families of the Abd al-Fatah Rajabi house in Batan Al-Hawa in Silwan should evacuate their homes in favor of settlers within six months. One of the family members, Qayed Rajabi, said this week: "We are 26 people in this house; we were born in this neighborhood, grew up in it, got married in it

and had children in it. Now the court has ruled that we should leave by April 1st." The late Jaber Rajabi, the grandfather of the family, purchased the land in 1966 when the area was still under Jordanian control and built the house. However, the court ruled that since the land was owned by a Jewish sanctuary more than a century ago – the family must vacate the house. The family intends to appeal to the District Court. The lawsuit is one of a series of dozens of eviction lawsuits filed by people from Ateret Cohanim settlers group against nearly 100 Palestinian families living in Batan al-Hawa in Silwan, putting a community of 700 people in danger of being evicted. The settlers' claims are based on the claim that in the late 19th century the land was allocated by its Jewish owners to a Jewish trust for the benefit of the poor Yemenite Jews of Jerusalem. Today, in the name of the same trust, settlers seek to evict the Palestinian families and replace them with Israeli settlers. Last January, the court ordered the eviction of 11 families with 67 people from Batan Al-Hawa, in three different lawsuits (the **Nasser Rajabi family**, the **Duweik family** and the **Shweiki and Odeh families**). All the families appealed to the district court and had to deposit tens of thousands of shekels in the court coffers to delay the eviction. No decisions have yet been made on these appeals. Since 2015, 14 families have been evicted from Batan al-Hawa. Last week's judgment, together with the three judgments from January, ordered the eviction of another 14 families with 93 persons. Another 70 families approximately are in courts in eviction cases.(PEACENOW 9 September 2020)