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Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine 26 October 2021

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

- Israeli soldiers invaded, the town of Ya'bad, south of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, and injured many Palestinians during ensuing protests. Dozens of soldiers in several armored vehicles invaded the town, especially the central area and the Abu Shammala neighborhood, before stopping and interrogating several Palestinians, leading to protests. The soldiers fired several live rounds, wounding a young man in the arm, in addition to firing many gas bombs and concussion grenades, causing at least twenty to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation, in addition to cuts and bruises. During the invasion, the soldiers assaulted a young man, identified as Soheib Kamal Abu Bakr, after forcing him out of his car, causing several injuries, in addition to Yazid Abu 'Abed, who was injured after being rammed by an army jeep during the invasion. Both were moved to Ibn Sina hospital in Jenin. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)
- Israeli settlers assaulted staff of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) while they were in Burin village, south of Nablus city, on a fact-finding mission injuring three of them. Israeli settlers used pepper spray to attack the ICRC staff who were visiting the village causing painful burns of the face and hands to three of the staff members. The ICRC staff were paying an inspection visit to the West Bank village to check on settler attacks against Palestinian farmers who were harvesting their olive crops. (WAFA 26 October 2021)
- Israeli forces attacked Palestinians who gathered and held prayers at Al-Yusufiyah cemetery, located just below the historic wall of Jerusalem, to protest Israel's continued bulldozing work and digging of the graves of dead Palestinians there. Israeli forces beat up and attacked Palestinians who were objecting to the desecration of the graves with stun grenades to force them out of the cemetery. One of the protesters was detained by Israeli police and taken to a detention center in the city of Jerusalem. Israel says it intends to turn the cemetery, located near Lions Gate, one of the gates to the old city of Jerusalem that leads to Al-Aqsa Mosque, into a Jewish biblical park. (WAFA 26 October 2021)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli colonizers attacked, a team from the International Red Cross in Burin village, south of the northern West Bank city of Nablus, wounding four employees. A group of colonizers attacked the Red Cross team with pepper spray, causing burns to the faces and arms of four employees. It is worth mentioning that the attacks have escalated since the beginning of the olive harvest season, and have led to the torching of Palestinian farmlands and orchards, the bulldozing and uprooting of lands, especially olive trees, in addition to the physical assaults against the Palestinians while picking their olive trees. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)
- Israeli colonizers, illegally squatting on stolen Palestinian lands, invaded a Palestinian orchard near Bethlehem, in the occupied West Bank, and uprooted olive saplings. The colonizers uprooted at least 25 olive saplings in the al-Hareeqa area, southeast of the al-Ma'sara village. The invaded orchard is owned by Mohammad Ahmad Breijiyya and has previously been subject to similar violations. It is worth mentioning that the colonizers have recently escalated their violations in various parts of Bethlehem governorate by bulldozing and uprooting Palestinian lands, especially olive orchards. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)
- A horde of extremist Jewish settlers attacked Palestinian farmers as they were collecting olives from their grove in southern Nablus, north of the occupied West Bank. Israeli settlers from the illegal settlement of Itamar assaulted olive pickers in a grove near the road between the towns of Aqraba and Yanun. The road has been closed to Palestinian citizens by the Israeli occupation army for over 20 days. The settlers escorted by soldiers attacked the farmers with pepper spray and injured some of them. Under military protection, the settlers also embarked on stealing olives from the grove following their attack on the farmers. (PALINFO 26 October 2021)
- A horde of Jewish settlers uprooted a number of olive saplings from a Palestinian-owned grove in al-Masara village, southwest of Bethlehem in the occupied West Bank. The settlers uprooted 25 olive saplings in al-Hariqa area near the village, adding that the grove belongs to a local resident called Mohamed Bureijiya. The dispossession and violence that mark Israel's policy in the West Bank peak during the olive harvest when Palestinians need to access their land to pick olives off their trees. Every year, B'Tselem documents dozens of incidents in which settlers assault Palestinian farmers, steal olives and vandalize trees, farming equipment and work tools. Such settler crimes happen under the noses of soldiers,

- who are always present in nearby areas, escorting the assailants or watching them from a distance. (PALINFO 26 October 2021)
- Dozens of Jewish settlers on Tuesday desecrated the Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem. According to local sources, at least 80 settlers entered the Mosque through al-Maghariba Gate and toured its courtyards under police escort. (PALINFO 26 October 2021)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- Israeli forces demolished, on Tuesday, four under-construction buildings in Deir Qaddis village, west of Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank. The army destroyed the four structures, belonging to a local resident, under the pretext of being built without a permit. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)
- The Israeli occupation authorities ordered a halt on the construction of four houses in Idna town, west of the southern West Bank city of Hebron. Israeli forces raided Shi'b Muhammad area in the western part of the town, where they handed two residents order to stop the construction of their houses, including a 100-square-meter one-story house, both of which have been populated for three years. The soldiers also handed two other residents orders to stop the construction of their houses, a 270-square-meter two-story house and a 170-square-meter one-story house. All of the houses are connected to public utilities and are located on a paved street. The soldiers threatened the house owners that should the latter proceed with construction, their houses would be torn down. (WAFA 26 October 2021)
- Furthermore Israeli forces disassembled fabricated structures which were being used as classrooms and a fence that surrounded the school, in the northern Jordan Valley. The soldiers invaded the area and tore down the pre-constructed classrooms for the Al-Maleh school, a clinic, and confiscated the fence that surrounded the school. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)
- The Israeli municipality persisted with its defiling of the Islamic al-Yousofiyya cemetery in Jerusalem, for the second consecutive day. The Israeli 'Nature Reserve Authority' razed the graveyard and violated grave sites, with no regard for the suffering of the Palestinian families of the

deceased. The municipal workers ravaged headstones and graves and proceeded to raze the land, while police forcibly expelled the families who objected to the desecration of their loved ones' graves. The occupation authorities plan to build a national biblical park over the historic site for the benefit of the illegal Israeli colonists, at the expense of the indigenous Palestinian people. illegal Israeli settlers were seen cutting olive trees at the Cemetery, under protection of the occupation army. In addition, the soldiers attacked dozens of Palestinians who were performing evening prayers near al-Yousofiyya cemetery, and fired concussion grenades at them, before abducting a young man, identified as Laith Shalabi. On Monday, the municipality of West Jerusalem <u>razed</u> parts of the historic graveyard, detained a young man while he sat at his grandfather's grave site, and harassed a grieving mother who refused to leave the grave site of her deceased son. **Just** two weeks ago, Israeli municipal officers desecrated the historic cemetery, unearthing the remains of Palestinians buried at the site, causing distress among family members of the dead. In November of 2020 the staircase leading to the site was demolished, and in December municipal crews demolished the wall of the Shuhada cemetery, which is an extension of the al-Yousifiyya Graveyard. This situation is ongoing, as local Palestinians continue to protest the occupation authorities' continued violations. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)

The Israeli authorities in occupied Jerusalem forced a Palestinian to demolish his home, in the Wadi al-Jouz neighborhood, under the pretext of being built without a permit. The Palestinian Ismael Aramin from Wadi al-Jouz, had to demolish his own home to avoid the excessively high fines and frees, in addition to the demolition costs, if the city used its workers and equipment in the destruction. The Palestinian tried to obtain the needed permits to build his home, and paid hefty fees in applications and appeals. There have been numerous similar incidents in occupied Jerusalem this year alone, in addition to the ongoing threat of displacement of the Palestinians, especially in the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood, due to Israel's illegal colonialist activities and plans, including the takeover of homes. It is worth mentioning that most construction permit applications filed by the Palestinians are denied, while the application costs could amount to hundreds of thousands of shekels. On Saturday morning, a Palestinian family had to demolish its own home in the Wadi al-Jouz neighborhood, under the pretext of being built, 40 years ago, without a permit. While Israel continues to build and

expand its illegal colonies, in direct violation of International Law, Palestinian communities, and towns, in occupied Jerusalem, and various areas in the occupied West Bank, continue to be denied the right to build homes and property. This is happening in addition to the complicated procedures the Palestinians have to go through, the very high costs of filing for these construction permits, and the extended periods the residents have to wait, and in most cases, they are denied. The acts of home demolitions and destruction are illegal collective punishment policies that violate International Law, the Fourth Geneva Convention in addition to various international resolutions. The occupation authorities plan to destroy the cemetery and build a national biblical park, south of the old city of Jerusalem, with no regard or respect for the families of those buried at the site. Just two weeks ago, Israeli municipal officers desecrated the historic cemetery, unearthing the remains of Palestinians buried at the site, causing distress among family members of the dead. In November of 2020 the staircase leading to the site was demolished, and in <u>December</u> municipal crews demolished the wall of the Shuhada cemetery, which is an extension of the al-Yousifiyya Graveyard. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)

The Israeli occupation army demolished four Palestinian stores under construction in Deir Qaddis town, west of Ramallah. Israeli bulldozers escorted by soldiers knocked down the stores which belong to a Palestinian citizen. The stores' owner, Ayman Sutaih, received a military demolition notice last June claiming that his property was located near the fence of a Jewish settlement. Last May, owners of 10 homes in Deir Qaddis and Ni'lin towns received similar demolition notices, although they have legal construction permits from the Palestinian Authority. In a separate incident, the Israeli army's civil administration on Monday dismantled and seized some rooms and premises of al-Maleh School in Wadi al-Maleh village in the northern Jordan Valley. Israeli forces cordoned off the area, dismantled two prefabricated rooms used as classrooms, removed other structures and playground equipment in the school yard and loaded everything into trucks. On the same day, the Israeli army delivered stopwork orders against 12 homes in Duma village, south of Nablus. The Israeli army justified the measure by claiming the Palestinian homes are located in Area C of the West Bank. (PALINFO 26 October 2021)

Israeli Military Orders

- Israeli soldiers distributed, stop-work and demolition orders to several buildings and a water well in the southern occupied West Bank village of Wadi Rahhal, south of Bethlehem. Thee army handed out demolition orders to a residential building, four agricultural sheds and two barracks belonging to local Palestinian residents, under the standard pretext of building without a permit. Furthermore, Israeli forces delivered stop-work orders to two under-construction homes and a water well owned by local residents. In nearby Artas village, residents were ordered to stop-work on their lands, southwest of Bethlehem in southern West Bank. The occupation authorities frequently order the destruction of Palestinian-owned homes while allowing the development of colonial settlement units, deemed illegal under International Law. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)
- Israeli forces delivered, stop work orders to twelve Palestinian-owned homes in Douma village, south of Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank, a local official reported. The soldiers stormed the village and handed stop work orders to the owners of the twelve under-construction homes. Furthermore, Israeli authorities forced, a Palestinian in the Wadi al-Jouz neighborhood of occupied Jerusalem to demolish his own home under the pretext of the lack of a building permit, despite the fact that the house was built 40 years ago. (IMEMC 26 October 2021)