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Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine 17 January 2022

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 navy ships attacked, Monday several Palestinian fishing boats near the shore of Gaza city, in the besieged coastal region. Eyewitnesses said the navy fired many live rounds at the boats, in addition to using water cannons, causing damage; no injuries were reported. One of the fishermen said the boats were only three nautical miles from the Sudaniyya shore, northwest of Gaza city when the navy attacked them. He added that the fishermen had to return to the shore without being able to fish and provide for their families, in fear of further assaults. The army frequently attacks farmers, shepherds, workers, and fishermen across the eastern parts of the coastal region and in Palestinian territorial waters, leading to dozens of casualties, including fatalities, in addition to preventing the Palestinians from tending to their lands and from fishing to provide for their families. In March of this last year 2021, the Palestinian Interior Ministry in Gaza said Israeli mines were responsible for an explosion that led to the death of three fishermen. (IMEMC 17 January 2022)
- The Palestinian Health Ministry has confirmed, on Monday morning, that an elderly man, who was seriously injured after an Israeli tow truck ran him over in the Um al-Khair area of Masafer Yatta, south of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank, earlier this month, has succumbed to his injuries. The ministry stated that Suleiman al-Hathalin, 75, remained in the Intensive Care Unit at the al-Mezan Hospital in Hebron city until he succumbed to the serious wounds he suffered on January 5th, 2022. Al-Hathalin, 75, a well-known activist from the Um al-Khair area was rammed with a military truck during nonviolent protests that took place after the soldiers invaded Masafer Yatta, causing him to suffer a critical skull fracture. His injuries were extensive, largely to the head, chest, abdomen, and pelvis, medical sources at the al-Mezan hospital have confirmed. Fuad l-Amour, the Coordinator of the Protection and Steadfastness Committees in Masafer Yatta, stated after the elderly man was rammed and seriously injured, the army invaded the area, accompanying a tow truck, and seized several Palestinian-owned vehicles, leading to protests. He added that local Palestinians gathered in the area

to stop the Israeli army from confiscating their privately-owned vehicles when the tow truck drove over Suleiman. (IMEMC 17 January 2022)

- Israeli soldiers invaded, Sunday, the home of Jerusalem Governor, a member of the Revolutionary Council of the Fateh Movement, Adnan Gheith, and ransacked the property before abducting his nephew, only 12 years of age. Media sources in Silwan town, south of the Al-Aqsa Mosque in the occupied capital, Jerusalem, said many army jeeps invaded the Gheith neighborhood, before storming and ransacking the home of Jerusalem governor, Adnan Gheith, and violently searched the property, causing damage. The governor's Media Advisor, Marouf Refa'ey, stated a large military force invaded the area and conducted a violent search of the governor's home, in addition to removing furniture and throwing it out. He added that the soldiers also abducted Gheith's nephew, Mo'taz Sadeq Gheith, only twelve years of age, and took him to an interrogation facility. It is worth mentioning that, in August of last year, the Israeli authorities renewed orders banning the governor from entering the West Bank, and from holding any meetings or participating in any activities in occupied Jerusalem, including banning him from trying to provide any aid to the families, subject to constant Israeli violations, including home demolitions and attacks by the illegal Israeli colonizers. The order against the governor also specifies the names of 51 Palestinian figures, and bars him from entering any other part of the West Bank for three years, in addition to the severe restriction on his freedom of movement even in his town; he was given a map highlighting where he can and cannot be even in his town. The violations against him started when he began his duties as the governor in the year 2018, and has since been abducted more than 28 times, during the dozens of invasions by the soldiers into his home. (IMEMC 17 January 2022)
- Israeli gunboats opened their machine gun fire at Palestinian fishermen off the shores of the Gaza Strip on Monday morning. Eyewitnesses said that the Israeli navy forces fired shots and used water cannons in the attack on the fishing boats only three miles off the Sudaniya area to the northwest of Gaza City. The Palestinian fishermen were forced to return ashore. Also on Monday, Israeli military vehicles entered into the besieged enclave to the north of the town of Beit Lahia in the northern Gaza Strip. Israeli bulldozers razed border areas amidst sporadic firing of

machineguns and smoke bombs on the part of the Israeli occupation forces. (PALINFO 17 January 2022)

Israeli Settler Violence

• Dozens of Jewish settlers escorted by police forces forced their way into al-Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem on Monday morning. Local sources said that the settler groups broke into the holy site through its Maghariba Gate and toured its courtyards before provocatively performing Talmudic prayers. During their tour at the Islamic holy site, the settlers received lectures from rabbis about the alleged temple mount. Al-Aqsa Mosque is exposed to daily desecration by Jewish settlers and police forces in the morning and the afternoon except on Fridays and Saturdays. The Israeli police close al-Maghariba Gate, which is used by Jews to enter the Mosque, at 10:30 am after the settlers complete their morning tours at the holy site. Later in the afternoon, the same gate is reopened for evening tours by settlers. During the presence of settlers inside the Mosque compound, entry restrictions are imposed on Muslim worshipers at the entrances leading to the Mosque and their IDs could be seized until they leave the holy place. (PALINFO 17 January 2022)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

• Israeli authorities today forced a Palestinian to continue self-demolishing his store in the East Jerusalem neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah, according to WAFA correspondent. She said that the municipality staff forced Jamal Abu Nejmeh to complete the demolition of his store in the neighborhood, under the pretext that it was built without a permit, to avoid paying exorbitant fines if the Israeli municipality of Jerusalem carries out the demolition on its own. Abu Nejmeh said that for decades he suffered from Israeli authorities' orders against his store, noting that he repeatedly tried to appeal the demolition order, to no avail. The municipality informed him that he had only two options; either demolish the shop himself or have paying expensive demolition costs to the Israeli municipality in case it carries out the demolition. Using the pretext of illegal building, Israel demolishes houses on a regular basis to restrict Palestinian expansion in occupied Jerusalem. At the same time, the municipality and government build tens of thousands of housing units in illegal settlements in East

Jerusalem for Jews with a goal to offset the demographic balance in favor of the Jewish settlers in the occupied city. (IMEMC 17 January 2022)

Israeli police forces on Monday morning surrounded a Palestinian-owned home in Occupied Jerusalem's neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah as a prelude to demolish it. Local sources affirmed that Israeli police forces accompanied by municipal crews forced their way into the neighborhood, and surrounded a local house belonging to Mahmoud Salhia. Last December, the Israeli occupied authorities issued an order to evict Mahmoud Salhia's house as a prelude to grab his land lot. The Israeli municipality handed over the eviction order to Mahmoud Salhia, claiming the decision was issued for "public interest", aiming to establish schools on its ruins. The eviction should be carried out by the family no later than January 25, the Israeli order read. As a result, 12 family members, including nine children, risk to go homeless. The families set up roots in Sheikh Jarrah after they were forced out of their home in Ein Karem by Israeli militiamen in 1948. The Israeli occupation authorities will also seize the family's land lot covering an area of six dunums, and which was bought by their father in 1967. (PALINFO 17 January 2022)