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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

- Israeli soldiers attacked, on Saturday night, many Palestinians in Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in the occupied capital, Jerusalem, and forced them to leave while allowing fanatic Israeli colonizers to march and call for expelling them. The Wadi Hilweh Information Center In Silwan (Silwanic) said the soldiers assaulted the Palestinians with batons and dragged many of them in addition to firing gas bombs. Silwanic added that the army continued the strict siege on Sheikh Jarrah to prevent the Palestinians and solidarity activists from reaching it. For more than a week now, the Palestinians in Sheikh Jarrah have been subject to renewed and escalating Israeli violations and assaults, leading to injury and the abductions of dozens of residents. (IMEMC 20 February 2022)
- At least five Palestinian citizens suffered rubber bullet injuries on Saturday evening when the Israeli occupation forces (IOF) attacked the weekly anti-settlement march of Kafr Qaddum, east of Qalqilya. Local sources said that dozens of Israeli soldiers embarked on showering the participants in the march with volleys of tear gas canisters and firing rubber bullets at them. Many others, including children and women, suffered from their exposure to tear gas. Local youths, for their part, clashed with the IOF and hurled stones at them. (PALINFO 20 February 2022)

Israeli Settler Violence

- On Saturday night, illegal Israeli colonizers invaded olive orchards in Yasuf village, east of the central West Bank city of Salfit, before cutting and uprooting several olive trees and attacking shepherds in Qarawat Bani Hassan town, west of Salfit. Saleh Yassin, the head of Yasuf Village Council, said the colonizers cut and uprooted at least fifteen olive trees owned by a local farmer, identified as Ziad Jamil Abdul-Razeq. In addition, the colonizers assaulted many Palestinian shepherds in the Nweitef Spring area, north of Qarawat Bani Hassan, before Israeli soldiers fired many gas bombs at the shepherds who tried to defend themselves. The colonizers came from the illegal Havat Yair outpost, built on stolen

Palestinian lands north of Qarawat Bani Hassan. It is worth mentioning that the Nweitef Spring area is subject to constant violations, especially since the colonizers are trying to illegally annex it to expand Havat Ya'ir and control the water spring. (IMEMC 20 February 2022)

- Hordes of Jewish settlers escorted by police forces desecrated the Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem on Sunday morning and later in the afternoon. According to local sources, dozens of settlers entered the Mosque in different groups through its Maghariba Gate and toured its courtyards in the morning. During their tours at the Islamic holy site, the settlers received lectures from rabbis about the alleged temple mount and a number of them provocatively performed Talmudic prayers. Meanwhile, the Israeli occupation police imposed movement restrictions on Muslim worshipers at the Aqsa Mosque's entrances and gates. The Aqsa Mosque is exposed to daily desecration by Jewish settlers and police forces in the morning and the afternoon except on Fridays and Saturdays. (PALINFO 20 February 2022)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli municipal government in Jerusalem issued an order forcing the Obaid family to demolish their family home in al-'Isawiya — an area that is currently under intense Israeli colonization — under the pretext that it was “constructed without a permit”. Israeli military authorities, which have ruled the Palestinian Territories under martial law since 1967, have refused to issue Palestinian landowners construction permits to build on their own land since beginning their military occupation in 1967. The demolition renders Nassim Obaid and his five children homeless, with no place to live. The family had constructed the home on their family land, where they have owned the property and lived for generations. Palestinian groups have called the demolition order, which required Obaid to pay for demolition equipment and demolish his own home, unjust and a violation of international human rights laws. (IMEMC 20 February 2022)

Expansion of Israeli settlements

- The Israeli occupation government intends to advance a plan to expand a Jewish national park onto church-owned lands and Christian holy sites in east Jerusalem by 275 dunums of land. The Times of Israel website claimed that the move, which it described as “unprecedented,” would not strip the landholders of their ownership, but it would give the Israeli government some authority over Palestinian and church properties and religious sites. According to the website, Church officials and rights groups have condemned the measure as a land grab and a threat to the Christian presence in the holy city. The opponents of this Judaization project also highlighted the ties the Israeli institutions responsible for advancing this plan have with settler groups that work to anchor the Jewish presence in east Jerusalem areas, including the flashpoint Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood. Rights groups believe the planned park expansion is part of a larger strategy to control adjacent areas of east Jerusalem to encircle Jerusalem’s Old City with Judaization projects. The website also said that the plan would see the borders of the Jerusalem Walls National Park extended to include a large section of the Mount of Olives along with additional nearby areas. It is slated to receive preliminary approval from the Jerusalem municipality’s local planning and construction committee on March 2. The national park expansion plan is being advanced amid increasingly strained ties between the Israeli government and church leaders, who affirm that their communities are under constant threat by radical Jewish groups. (PALINFO, [PEACENOW](#) 20 February 2022)