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Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine 21 April 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

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- Israeli soldiers abducted a teenage boy near the al-Aqsa Mosque and injured a man in Hizma town, in occupied Jerusalem on the West Bank. The soldiers abducted a teenage boy, Dajana Attoun, while leaving Al-Aqsa through Baj al-Majles (The Council Gate). The soldiers stopped and interrogated many Palestinians before forcing them to leave the area. The soldiers assaulted and injured a Palestinian man on the Hizma road, northeast of Jerusalem. The Palestinian was driving a truck before the Israeli soldiers stopped him and forced him to step out and started beating him up, causing wounds to several parts of his body, including the head.

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- The Israeli army and Air Force fired many missiles targeting several areas in the besieged Gaza Strip, causing severe damage. The soldiers fired at least two missiles into a building in the Zeitoun neighborhood, south of Gaza city, destroying it and causing damage to surrounding homes. The army fired at least two missiles into a site in the Nusseirat refugee camp, destroying it and causing damage to surrounding property. The army also fired many artillery shells into Palestinian lands east of Khan Younis, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip. (IMEMC 21 April 2022)
- Israeli warplanes struck two sites in Gaza. Israeli fighter jets bombed a site
 in the central Gaza Strip and another one in southern Gaza City. No
 casualties were reported. However, material damage was caused to a
 number of residential buildings. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)

- Israeli navy gunboats fired a number of projectiles off the northern Gaza coast. The gunboats fired projectiles off the Sudaniya coast to the north west of Gaza City causing huge explosions. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)
- Israeli police forces arrested a Palestinian young woman in Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Occupied Jerusalem. The Israeli forces arrested Nadine Al-Sa`u, 28, and brutally attacked her mother and the Jerusalemite activist, Muhammad Abu al-Hummus. This came during an Iftar event organized outside Salem family house in Sheikh Jarrah. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)
- Israeli police officers kidnaped a Palestinian child identified as Dujana Ajjoun as he left the Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem through al-Majles Gate. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)
- Police officers assaulted and wounded a Palestinian citizen after intercepting the truck he was driving in Hizma street in the northeast of Jerusalem. The truck driver suffered a head injury when Israeli border policemen at the Uraiba rotary in Hizma street brutally beat him. The policemen stopped and searched several cars and fired shots into the air in the same area. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Dozens of Jewish settlers attacked Palestinians at the light rail station in Occupied Jerusalem, and sprayed them with pepper gas. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)
- Israeli colonizers attacked Palestinian shepherds in Kisan village, east of Bethlehem, in the occupied West Bank. The colonizers came from the Abie Hanahal colony, built on stolen Palestinian lands, and assaulted three shepherds from the local Obeyyat family. The attack took place in an area southeast of the village, where the colonizers hurled stones at the shepherds and threatened to shoot them if they did not leave the area, leading to a scuffle before the colonizers left. (IMEMC 21 April 2022)
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three. The colonizers also invaded orchards and cut trees near Nablus. The colonizers assaulted and injured the mayor of Sinjil, Mo'taz Tawafsha, and a council employee along with a farmer Awad Shabana. The three suffered various cuts and bruises to various parts of their bodies, including the face. The attacks occurred when the colonizers tried to prevent the Palestinians from plowing and tending to their lands in the northern part of the town. (IMEMC 21 April 2022)

- Israeli colonizers invaded the water spring in Qaryout village, south of Nablus in the northern West Bank, after smashing its gate and destroying the fence around it. The colonizers also spilled unknown chemicals that cause a foul smell, polluting the water used for drinking and irrigation(IMEMC 21 April 2022)
- Israeli colonizers cut trees and broke fences during invasions of Palestinian olive orchards in the al-Lubban ash-Sharqiya village, south of Nablus. (IMEMC 21 April 2022)
- Hundreds of Israeli settlers organized a provocative march in the occupied city of Jerusalem, waving Israeli flags and chanting anti-Palestinian slogans while marching through Palestinian areas. The march was led by Itamar Ben Gvir, an ultra-nationalist Israeli legislator who is known for staging provocative visits to Palestinian holy sites. The march was held on the fourth day of the Hebrew Passover, and in the midst of repeated Israeli invasions of the holy al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem. Over 400 Palestinians have been abducted by Israeli forces over the past week while trying to pray at the mosque, and protesting the Israeli aggression. The march set out from Jaffa Street and marched to the Bab Al-Jadeed (New Gate) of Jerusalem's Old City. Itamar Ben Gvir and the other marchers are avowed followers of the late Meir Kahane. A year ago, in 2021, during a similar upsurge of rightwing Israeli attacks on Palestinians and provocations, the Associated Press wrote, "Admirers of Kahane were elected to parliament in March as allies of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Likud party, and one of the most prominent has become a fixture on Israeli TV. "Their resurgence has injected another element of volatility to the conflict. It's also part of a broader shift to the right in Israel, where Kahane's disciples are hardly alone in adopting a hard line toward the Palestinians and trafficking in anti-Arab rhetoric. Right-wing parties that support Jewish settlements and oppose Palestinian independence won a large majority of seats in March,

and Netanyahu and other right-wing leaders have often cast Israel's Arab minority as a fifth column — unless they needed their votes. "During his lone term in parliament in the mid-1980s, before he was banned, Kahane was shunned by colleagues, including the Likud, and frequently gave speeches to an empty chamber. His racist agenda called for banning intermarriage between Arabs and Jews, stripping Arabs of their Israeli citizenship, and the mass expulsions of Palestinians. At one point, he was suspended for waving a noose at an Arab lawmaker." The right-wing march on Wednesday was given support by Israeli police, who blocked roads and established barricades to allow the march to take place. The marchers claimed they were challenging the loss of "Israeli sovereignty in occupied Jerusalem". Jerusalem has been under Israeli military control since 1967, but has been the Palestinian capital long before the Israeli military took it over. In response to the provocative march, dozens of Palestinian citizens of Jerusalem gathered in the Bab al-Amoud (Damascus Gate) area to, chanting slogans and shouting. Israeli forces attacked the Palestinian protesters and abducted one of them after beating him. The Israeli police closed several streets in occupied Jerusalem, and tried to empty the commercial stalls and evacuate the vendors. (WAFA, IMEMC 21 April 2022)

- Three Palestinian citizens suffered injuries when settlers assaulted them in Sinjil town, north of Ramallah. Sinjil mayor Moataz Tawafsha and two other citizens suffered injuries and bruises when settlers savagely attacked them after they tried to prevent a settler from plowing a swath of Palestinian-owned land in the north of the town. The same settlers had already placed mobile homes on a tract of land belonging to Palestinians from the town and grazed their cattle in the area. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)
- A group of armed settlers from the settlement of Ma'ale Levona in southern Nablus stormed swaths of agricultural land in Sinjil town and wreaked havoc on cultivated lands and olive trees belonging to local residents. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)
- Israeli settlers escorted by Israeli army soldiers stormed the Qaryut Spring area in southern Nablus. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)
- A group of Israeli settler blocked the main road between Nablus and Qalqilya and prevented Palestinian citizens from using the road near the junction of Jit town, west of Nablus. (PALINFO 21 April 2022)