

#### Applied Research Institute - Jerusalem (ARIJ)

Tel: +970 2 274 1889 / Fax: +970 2 277 6966 E-mail: pmaster@arij.org / Website: www.arij.org P.O. Box: 860 / Address: Karm Mu'ammar St.

# Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine 1 February 2023

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and threats in the occupied demolition Palestinian territory, the confiscation and razing of lands, the uprooting destruction of fruit trees, the expansion of settlements and erection of outposts, the brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army, settlers violence the Israeli 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.

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and\or news sources.

The text is not quoted directly from the sources but is edited for clarity.

The daily report does not necessarily reflect ARIJ's opinion.

#### Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli colonizers attacked a Palestinian shepherd in Kisan village, east of Bethlehem, in the occupied West Bank. The colonizers attacked Mustafa Ibrahim Al-Obeyyat while herding his sheep on Palestinian lands near the illegal Abi HaNahal settlement colony. The colonizers also hurled concussion grenades and bombs at the sheep, wounding many of them, including a few pregnant sheep that suffered abortions. (IMEMC 1 February 2023)
- Dozens of settlers desecrated the Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem under police protection in the morning and later in the afternoon. At least 112 settlers entered the Mosque in different groups through its Maghariba Gate and toured its courtyards under tight police guard. 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 entry restrictions on Muslim worshipers at the Aqsa Mosque's entrances and gates. (PALINFO 1 February 2023)
- Israeli settlers broke into a Palestinian home in the town of Silat al-Dahr, south of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, and vandalized it. This is the third time settlers break into the same house and loot it. (WAFA 1 February 2023)

## Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- Israeli soldiers demolished a commercial facility in the Wadi Al-Hummus neighborhood in Sur Baher town and Silwan town in occupied Jerusalem in the West Bank. Several army vehicles, including bulldozers, invaded Wadi Al-Hummus in Sur Vaher, east of Jerusalem, and demolished an under-construction commercial building. The building, owned by Akram Amira, had construction materials and supplies and said the soldiers did not allow the Palestinians to empty it before demolishing the property. (IMEMC 1 February 2023)
- The Israeli soldiers invaded Silwan town, south of Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem, and demolished a wooden room owned by Salah Hijazi in the Al-Abbasiyya neighborhood. The army claims the City Council in occupied

Jerusalem did not license the demolished structures. (IMEMC 1 February 2023)

- Israeli soldiers including bulldozers, demolished an under-construction home in the Cremisan area near the Bethlehem Arab Society for Rehabilitation. The demolished property was a one-story building owned by George Farah Najjar under the Israeli claim that the building was not licensed by the so-called "Civil Administration Office. George first received an order to halt the construction of his property and headed to Israeli courts before obtaining an order allowing him to continue the construction of his home; however, the army ignored the order and demolished the property. (IMEMC 1 February 2023)
- The Israeli soldiers invaded the Ein Jweiza area in Al-Walaja village and demolished a 100-square-meter home owned by Ahmad Khalil Awadallah allegedly for being built without a permit, although the local council licensed it. (IMEMC 1 February 2023)
- In Salfit, the Israeli occupation army demolished an agricultural structure belonging to farmer Rateb Jouda in Deir Ballut town. (WAFA 1 February 2023)
- In a separate incident, the Israeli army has been imposing a tight siege on Jericho since last Saturday, for unknown reasons. (WAFA 1 February 2023)

# Israeli Military Orders

Humsa al-Fouqa, in the occupied northern Jordan Valley, to leave their homes for several days during February under the pretext of conducting military training. The occupation army notified seven families from Humsa, many of them children, that they should be away from their homes for ten different days between February 5 and the end of the month because the army is going to hold military drills in the vicinity of their homes. February is usually a very cold and rainy month, which means people who leave their homes have to live in open spaces during cold and rainy weather. Rights groups said the Israeli army uses the pretext of military drills in order to expel Palestinians from the area, a policy it has been implementing for years. The military exercises pose a threat to the lives of

people who live in that area, mainly children, due to the remnants of ammunition left by the soldiers, not to mention the damage caused to large areas of rain-fed crops. (IMEMC 1 February 2023)

## Israeli Closures

• Israeli army checkpoints stop and thoroughly check every car leaving the ancient city of Jericho, east of the occupied West Bank, which has been under tight Israeli army siege for the fifth consecutive day. Residents and travelers to Jordan, who have to go through Jericho to reach the Allenby/King Hussein/Karama bridge crossing, complain of long delays and thorough searches at the army checkpoints placed at all entrances to the tourist city. The army imposed the siege last week following an attempted shooting at an Israeli restaurant outside Jericho after the army assumed that the alleged attacker has escaped to Jericho. Palestinians have complained that after the attack, Israel has imposed collective punishment on the entire city, gravely harming it economically particularly during the high season considering that Jericho is a popular destination for internal and foreign tourism at this time due to its warm temperature during the winter season and the beauty of its terrain. (WAFA 1 February 2023)