



# ARIJ Daily Report

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 22 February 2012

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.

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

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### Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli Special Forces arrested 3 Palestinian citizens while they were approaching the border fence to the east of Rafah city south of Gaza strip and took them to unknown destination. The arrestees are: Asharf Al-Sofi, Mohamd Abu 'Azara and Sadam Abu 'Azara.
- Clashes broke between the Israeli Occupation Army and the Palestinian residents of Al Khadr town west of Bethlehem city, after the IOA raided the town. The residents threw stones and empty bottles

at the Army and the soldiers responded by firing tear gas and sound bombs. Also they chased a number of Palestinian youth and arrested Issa Sbeih (15 years old) and took him to unknown destination after attacking him.

- The Israeli warplanes fired at agricultural lands east of Gaza strip, no injuries were reported.
- The Israeli Occupation Army raided At Tabaqa village in Dura town south of Hebron city and arrested Tamer Ra'ed Shinan (17 years old) and 'Ez Deen Salama Heribat (17 years old) after searching their houses and messing with their contents. In addition to that, the IOA raided Al Karntina area south of Hebron and arrested Adi Shehda Qafisha (13 years old); The Army and the so called the Civil Administration searched the tents, caves and residents' houses in Khirbet Janba east of Yatta town.
- A number of Israeli leaders in Qiryat Arba' and Gush Etzion settlements decided to patrol cars on Hebron–Bethlehem road in attempt to guard the road and chase everyone (Palestinian) who tries to throw stones at settlers' cars, arrest them and hand them to the Israeli Army. The settlers patrol journey will start from the bypass road around the Qiryat Arba' settlement through Halhul crossroad and the entrance of Karnei Zur settlement, the entrance of Beit Ummar town and 'Arrub refugee camp and Beit Fajar crossroad to the tunnels road located on the lands of Beit Jala city. The distance is around 30 kilometers.
- The Israeli Occupation Authority stormed the house of Mohamad Al-Haj Samih Sliman (35 years old) and handed him notification to interview the Israeli intelligence in Beit Salim military base. Furthermore, the IOA set up military checkpoint near Haddad village and stopped Palestinian cars.

### **Israeli Settlers Violence**

- A number of Israeli settlers living in Ma'ale Mikhmas settlement located on the lands of Mikhmas village southeast of Ramallah city attacked Palestinian properties and citizens and uprooted 20 olive and Almonds trees.

## **Expansion of settlement**

- The Israeli Occupation Authority will give its approval on building 500 housing units in Shilo settlement in Nablus city.

## **Israeli Military orders**

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities notified residents from Khallet Al-Dib west of Beit Ulla town in Hebron city to evacuate 20 dunums of lands owned by Al-'Amla family. The military order was issued on the 21 of February 2012, and claimed that owners illegally own the lands, and demanded evacuating them within 45 days. It also warned the owners to pay the evacuation costs in case they don't comply with the order. The military orders gave land owners 45 days to object the order in Ofer military camp.
- A number of Israeli settlers notified residents of Khirbet Susiya south of Hebron city to leave their lands in order to include the Kherbit to the nearby settlement. Rateb Al-Jabour, the coordinator of the Popular committee against the wall and settlements indicated that the Israeli settlers filed an order to the Israeli high court to confiscate more than 1000 dunums of lands. In addition to that, the Israeli Occupation Army carried out surveys and photographing to Khirbet Um Nair in an attempt to expand settlements in the area.

## **House Demolition & Demolition Threats**

- The Israeli Occupation Army notified Mohammad Ahmad Mohammad 'Amera from Sur Bahir town east of Jerusalem city to demolish his 160 meters square house, of one floor and inhabited by 10 family members under the pretext of lacking building permits. The owner indicated that he received notification from the Israeli court to issue a building license before February 22, 2013 and pay a fine of 15 thousand NIS or the house will be demolished. In addition to that, the court ordered him 8 years ago to pay 80 thousand NIS in attempt to stop the demolition of his house.

- The Israeli Occupation Army accompanied by the unit of building and planning committee and Israeli bulldozers raided Fahma village south of Jenin city and demolished a water well owned by Anan Yousef Mara'ba. The demolition caused cracked to the house of Ahmad Sedqi Nawasra.

## Others

- Al Aqsa foundation for Endowment and Heritage revealed that Al Aqsa mosque witnessed about 150 attacks and violations during the year 2011. About 5000 Israelis settlers and Jewish groups raided the mosque during the year 2011 and practiced religious rituals.
- Israeli security forces prevented dozens of settlers from rebuilding an illegal outpost near Qiryat Arba' settlement east of Hebron. The outpost, Mizpe Avihai, was evacuated earlier in February 2012. Israeli settlers have also been trying to build the outpost since 2007 as an expansion to the nearby Kiryat Arba and Kharsina settlements. This expansion, if implemented, will separate Baq'a and Al Buweira neighborhoods of Hebron from the city.
- Israeli settlers of Mizpe Rahel (Shvut Rahel) established on lands of Jalud village southeast of Nablus city started to rehabilitate 200 housing units.
- The lawmaker; Ibrahim Sarsour submitted a petition to the Israeli District building and planning committee against the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem order to approve the license of outpost in Ras Al 'Amud which consists of 14 new housing buildings. The municipality delayed the issuance of the license to the outpost until the final decision on the petition. Mr. Sansur indicated that the petition of the two old buildings of 4 floors were used as police station and after evacuating them by the police, they were handed to a group of Israeli settlers who turned them to residential buildings of 14 housing units.