



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt

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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.

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.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) shelled at least three sites in the southern besieged coastal enclave, including eastern al-Qarara, eastern Khan Yunis and Deir al-Balah. No injuries were reported. The IOA also fired flares in the area around the same time as the shelling. (Maannews 10 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot a Palestinian youth in the head with a live bullet when clashes erupted in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah in the village of Silwad. The IOA had

chased the 18-year-old and opened live fire on him, injuring him in the head with a live bullet, detained him and transferred him to an unknown location in a military vehicle. The injured Palestinian was identified as 19-year-old Jihad Muhammad Hammad. (Maannews 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinian minors and a youth during clashes that erupted after a march was organized near the Ofer detention center in western Ramallah. The march set off from Ramallah city and headed to the detention center in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners. The IOA fired rubber-coated bullets, sound bombs, and tear gas canisters at protesters. (Maannews 10 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Beitunia and chased Palestinian youths, detaining four and transporting them to Ofer center. (Maannews 10 March 2017)
- A Palestinian was shot and injured in the east of Gaza city after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened live fire on Palestinian youth near the security barrier between the besieged Gaza Strip and Israel. The IOA stationed at the Nahel Oz military post east of the neighborhood of Shujaiyya opened live ammunition on a group of Palestinian youths who had approached the border area, causing the injury of a Palestinian youth in his foot. (Maannews 10 March 2017)
- Israeli navy gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishermen off Gaza's northern shores. Israeli gunboats opened their machinegun fire at a number of Palestinian fishing boats off the shores of Gaza. The fishermen were forced to return ashore. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)
- Israeli military troops deployed at and around the Kissufim military base, east of Khan Yunis, hit Palestinian farmlands in al-Qarara and Deir al-Balah with artillery shells. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)
- In the village of Bilin west of Ramallah, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians after installing checkpoints at three roads leading to the village, preventing foreign protesters to enter the village and participate in their weekly march. The IOA detained Majdi Abu Rahma, 32, and seized his vehicle, while also detaining Issa Khader Abu Rahma, 14. During the march, the IOA shot tear gas canisters at the protesters, causing many to suffer from tear gas inhalation, as clashes broke out between soldiers and Palestinian youth. (Maannews 10 March 2017)
- In the village of Kafr Qaddum in Qalqiliya, a number of protesters suffered tear gas inhalation as The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the village's weekly march. The IOA raided the village and

fired tear gas canisters at protesters. Violent clashes erupted between Palestinian youths and Israeli soldiers who were stationed on rooftops. They fired rubber-coated bullets and sound bombs at protesters. (Maannews 10 March 2017)

- A Palestinian minor was shot and injured by a rubber bullet after Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) violently attacked the weekly march staged in Nilin town, west of Ramallah, against Israel's segregation wall and settlement. A number of Palestinians along with foreign solidarity activists choked on tear gas as well. The march kicked off after Friday prayer and headed to the separation wall. The IOA showered the participants in the march with tear gas and rubber bullets resulting in cases of suffocation among the marchers and the injury of a 14-year-old boy with a rubber bullet in his foot. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)
- Clashes erupted after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) quelled a peaceful massive march in al-Walajah village south of Bethlehem. The march aimed at demanding Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) to hand over the body of martyr Basel al-A'raj. Dozens of Palestinian youths participated in the march after the IOA postponed the release of his body until a further notice. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)
- A number of Palestinians choked on teargas and others were summoned to questioning at daybreak in clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Bethlehem. Clashes flared up in Artas village, south of Bethlehem, shortly after an Israeli military patrol rolled into the area and targeted Palestinian homes with heavy spates of teargas canisters. A number of civilians reportedly choked on teargas in the assault. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Aida refugee camp for Palestinian refugees, north of Bethlehem, and wreaked havoc on civilian homes before they summoned two youngsters—Hamza al-Nabtiti and Assaad Darwish—to questioning. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Quteiba Mahmoud Khalifa from Al Ubeidiyah village in Bethlehem Governorate for interrogation at the Gush Etzion detention center after raiding his house. (WAFSA 10 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into al-Duheisha refugee camp, Hendaza Mount, and al-Mawalih area in Bethlehem and handed over interrogation summonses to three Palestinian youths. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)

- A number of Palestinians suffered Gas Inhalation during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army in Bakoush area west of Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city. (WAFA 10 March 2017)

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the sister of Martyr Ali Ash Shoukhi, Su'ad Atef Ash Shoukhi, from Silwan city south of Jerusalem. The arrestee was transferred to unknown place. (SAFA 10 March 2017)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the home of martyr Fadi Qanbar in Mount Scopus town east of Occupied Jerusalem and took its measurements in preparation for its demolition or closure. The IOA took measurements of the streets surrounding the home as well in order to be able to enter Israeli heavy vehicles and bulldozers either for razing or closing the house with concrete. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)
- A Palestinian family was forced to demolish part of its house (a storage room) in Wadi Hilwah neighborhood in Silwan city south of Jerusalem. The room is owned by citizen Arafat Qara'ien. (SAFA 10 March 2017)

Other

- The Israeli Knesset intends to ratify the amendment 109 of the Planning and Construction Law next week which aims to accelerate and intensify demolition operations in the 1948 occupied Palestinian territories. According to the website Arabs 48, a group of extreme right-wing associations sponsors this bill including Rgafim association which was found by the extremist settler MK Bezalel Smotrich. The Knesset Interior Committee will start voting on the bill next Tuesday in a prelude for a final approval by the Knesset before 22nd March. Kaminitz Law- amendment 109 of the Planning and Construction Law stipulates expanding the powers of planning committees in issuing and implementing demolition orders against unlicensed buildings, reducing the powers of courts in postponing demolition orders, raising fines, and tightening criminal proceedings against homeowners and whoever contributes to unlicensed buildings including contractors and engineers. The amendment aims to turn demolition orders to administrative orders that can be issued by inspectors, and force local authorities to implement these orders. Mossawa Center and the Arab Center for Alternative Planning as well as the Committee of Heads of

Local Authorities, MPs, political parties and popular committees are exerting efforts to create a popular presence inside and outside the Knesset Interior Committee during the vote. Both Mossawa and the Arab Center affirmed that what had happened in Umm al-Hiran and Qalansuwa was based on the current Planning and Construction Law, which means that passing the new bill while tighten the noose on the Arab masses in 1948 occupied Palestine and entail greater tragedies. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)

- Ten female prisoners were placed under administrative detention since the beginning of Jerusalem Intifada in October 2015, eight of them were earlier released. However, two female prisoners identified as Sabah Faroun and Ihsan Dababssa are still held in administrative detention without charge or trial, he pointed out. Sabah, a mother of four children, was arrested in June 2016 after Israeli police violently broke into her family home in occupied Jerusalem for Facebook incitement. She was first placed under administrative detention for four months. Her detention was then renewed twice for four months each time. Ihsan, from al-Khalil, was arrested in February 2017 from her family home and taken to Etzion investigation center. She was then placed under administrative detention for six months. Ihsan had earlier spent four years behind Israeli bars in two separate arrests in 2007 and 2014 for being allegedly affiliated to Jihad Movement. 56 Palestinian female prisoners are currently held in HaSharon and Damon prisons suffering harsh treatment and bad incarceration conditions including denying them access to the most basic rights including heating, winter clothing, medical treatment, and family visits. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)
- A tight closure is expected to be enforced by the Israeli occupation army around the West Bank and Jerusalem, along with Gaza crossings. The closure coincides with the celebration of the Jewish Purim holiday. The closure is reportedly slated to be lifted on Sunday. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)