



# ARIJ Daily Report

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 8 December 2017

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

- In Nablus Governorate, more than 10,000 protesters took to the streets in several areas of the city and surrounding areas protesting Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. 57 were wounded by invading Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Huwwara, Beit Furiq, and Nablus city. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)

- 32 Palestinian protesters were wounded by Israeli occupation troops in Qaffin village in Tulkarem, in the northern part of the West Bank during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. Most were wounded by rubber-coated steel bullets fired at the demonstrators. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- 8 Palestinians were wounded in Qalqilia – three of whom were taken to the hospital after being hit by rubber-coated steel bullets during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- In Bethlehem, thousands of people marched in the streets – dozens of people suffered the effects of tear gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- In Ramallah Governorate, in the central West Bank, four protesters were shot with live rounds, and eight were wounded by rubber-coated steel bullets during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- Five Palestinians were shot with live ammunition by the Israeli military in the Gaza Strip during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- In Bethlehem city, a young boy was treated for severe effects of tear gas inhalation. In addition, three people were injured by rubber-coated steel bullets, while another adult was hospitalized from tear gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- In Qalqilia Governorate, in the northern part of the West Bank, five people were injured from the so-called 'less-than-lethal' weapons fired by the Israeli military during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- In Hebron, a large march took place consisting of thousands of people following Donald Trump's announcement that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. Israeli troops attacked the march with tear gas, forcing the crowd to scatter. The soldiers

then chased down youth, who began throwing stones at the invading military force. Three Palestinians were hospitalized. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)

- Dozens of Israeli soldiers surrounded and isolated Kufur Qaddoum village, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia, ahead of the weekly protest against the Annexation Wall and settlements. The army stopped and searched dozens of cars, and interrogated many Palestinians, while inspecting their ID cards. The army tried to prevent the Palestinians, along with Israeli and international peace activists, from marching. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) has significantly increased its deployment across the occupied West Bank, including in and around Jerusalem, and all border areas in the Gaza Strip, in anticipation of massive protests against claims by Donald Trump, and his U.S. Administration, recognizing Jerusalem as the unified capital of Israel, and denying the Palestinians their legitimate right to the city. The decision to increase the military deployment was made following a meeting, between various military, police and security officials. Hundreds of soldiers and officers have already been deployed in East Jerusalem, especially the Old City, Wadi al-Jouz and al-'Isawiya. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- **Two Palestinian protesters were killed and 98 were wounded in clashes with Israeli security forces in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Thousands of protesters took to the streets in a second "Day of Rage" following U.S. President Donald Trump's decision to recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital. A 30-year-old Palestinian was killed by IDF gunfire in the Khan Younis region in Gaza, according to Palestinian health officials. Another man, in his fifties, was killed in a clash in northern Gaza. Some 3,000 protesters took part in demonstrations around the West Bank, including in the cities of Ramallah, Hebron, Tul Karm and Nublus. According to the Israeli army, protesters threw molotov cocktails and rocks. Security forces responded with live fire, rubber bullets and tear gas. Twenty-eight protesters were arrested. Fifty-two Palestinians were wounded by rubber bullets at protests in the West Bank, the Palestinian Red Crescent reported. Eleven were reportedly wounded by live fire. Dozens were treated for tear-gas inhalation, according to the Red Crescent. Some 4,500 Palestinians protested in six locations along the Strip's border with Israel. The Red Crescent said 15 people were hurt by live**

IDF gunfire, and a further 20 wounded by rubber bullets in the area of Khan Younis, in the south of Gaza. Three people are reported to be critical condition. Clashes also took place in Jabalia and the Nahal Oz area, along the Strip's border. A number of protesters have been arrested at Jerusalem's Damascus Gate, where skirmishes between Israeli police forces and Palestinian protesters took place after tens of thousands of Muslim worshippers attended Friday prayers in Al-Aqsa Mosque at the Temple Mount compound. Further protests were held in the Israeli towns of Umm al-Fahm, Kalansua and Kfar Kana. One man was arrested on suspicion of throwing rocks in the city of Nazareth, where a protest was held. Thousands of protesters also took to the streets of the Jordanian capital of Amman after midday prayers to protest Trump's announcement. Similar protests were held in Iraq, Egypt and Turkey, with more expected on Saturday. Friday's protests followed a "Day of Rage" on Thursday, in which at least 20 Palestinians were wounded in the West Bank, East Jerusalem and Gaza in clashes with Israeli soldiers. ([Haaretz](#) 8 December 2017)

- Two Palestinians died and 300 others were wounded in clashes with the IDF taking place in the West Bank and near the Gaza Strip border Friday afternoon, the Palestinian Ministry of Health reported. The Palestinians demonstrated in protest of President Donald Trump's decision to recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital earlier this week. At least 23 were wounded by live fire, the ministry said, but their lives were not in danger. The remaining wounded were hit by rubber bullets and tear gas grenades. 22 Palestinians were wounded in confrontations near the border fence. Hundreds of youths congregated in six places near the Gaza border, threw rocks at security forces and burned tires. The IDF—deployed in the area en masse in anticipation of the riots—fired tear gas and used other crowd control methods to disperse the protesters and prevent them crossing the border. "During the riots IDF soldiers fired selectively towards two main instigators and hits were confirmed," the army said. Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories Maj.-Gen. Yoav Mordechai spoke directly to Palestinians through his Facebook page and said, "Extremists with their own agenda wish to incite the public with lies and distortions because this is a religious war, but when it comes down to it violence will only harm the Palestinian public." "I beseech you, do not let extremists disrupt Christmas, the tourists heading your way and the calm, without which a significant positive progress may be jammed or ruined," Mordechai added. "I assure you, the status quo in Jerusalem in general and in Al-Aqsa in particular has been maintained. Do not listen to extremists who wish to harm you in their calls to violence. There has been no change on the ground, the Friday prayers were held as usual, the passages are open and laborers are entering Israel. A violent reality will only harm the Palestinian public, which is incited by lies on religious wars and safeguarding the holy sites. I hereby announce: Israel safeguards the holy sites and freedom of worship. Anyone who says otherwise is lying," Mordechai appealed. In light of mounting tensions and protests, the Israel Police said it was

deploying in increased numbers all across Israel but specifically in Jerusalem and the West Bank. Worshipers left the Temple Mount after Friday prayers relatively without incident, despite around Damascus Gate in the Old City where dozens of protesters were dispersed by police and Border Police forces with two people detained for questioning. By the early afternoon, West Bank skirmishes between the rioters and IDF forces were preceded by the burning of Israeli flags, and eventually broke out in Bethlehem, Ramallah, Hebron and Huwara near Nablus, prompting Israeli soldiers to propel tear gas canisters into the crowds and fire rubber bullets. While the main wave of riots engulfed the Old City and the aforementioned cities, ripples could also be felt in Kafr Qasim and various points in northern Israel. By 2:30pm, relative calm was restored in Jerusalem. Thousands of Gaza residents also assembled at the Israeli border and hurled rocks at IDF soldiers and burned tires. The Gaza-ruling Hamas terror group is also holding marches in Jabalia and Beit Lahia. Despite Palestinian factions calling for a “Day of Rage” after the prayers following Trump’s declaration, the IDF granted unfettered access to the mosque while preparing for a continuation of [Thursday’s clashes](#). Policemen and Border Police soldiers fanned out at sensitive locations in the Old City, including Damascus Gate, Herod’s Gate, Lions’ Gate and main streets leading to the area that have in the past become symbolic flashpoints of Palestinian violent disturbances. Worshipers leaving the mosque called out chants such as “The war is coming, al-Quds (Jerusalem) is Arab,” “We will die as martyrs,” and “There is no room for the State of Israel.” Worshipers leaving the mosque called out chants such as “The war is coming, al-Quds (Jerusalem) is Arab,” “We will die as martyrs,” and “There is no room for the State of Israel.” According to the report, one of the protestors was wounded in the neck, reportedly from a rubber bullet, while the other sustained injuries from live rounds. (YNENTNEWS 8 December 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided ‘Azzoun village, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia, and injured 9 Palestinians, who were protesting the American decision to recognize Jerusalem as the unified capital of Israel. Dozens others suffered the effects of teargas inhalation.
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Qalqilia city, and Kufur Qaddoum village and injured at least seven Palestinians. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) and Air Force fired many shells and missiles into border areas, in the Gaza Strip, in addition to firing dozens of rounds of live ammunition, while Israeli drones flew over the coastal region. At least one tank shell was fired into an area, east of the al-Maghazi refugee camp, in central Gaza, and was followed by many live rounds. The IOA also fired a tank shell into a Palestinian land, in Juhr ed-Deek area, southeast of Gaza city and several other missiles and shells into Palestinian lands, in border areas of the Gaza Strip. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
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## Israeli Arrests

- Dozens of Israeli soldiers invaded, Ni'lin village, west of the central West Bank city of Ramallah, and attacked dozens of Palestinians, who marched from the local mosque, and fired many live rounds, rubber-coated steel bullets, gas bombs and concussion grenades at them. The soldiers shot one with live fire, in addition to causing many to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation. The army also detained three Palestinians, and took them to an unknown destination. Furthermore, the soldiers installed roadblocks, and prevented the residents from entering or leaving the village. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded homes in the Old city of Jerusalem, and detained Jihad Nasser Qous, Rawhi al-Kalghassi, Majed Ragheb al-Jo'ba, and Hamza Milhim, from Bab Hotta area, and Amir al-Balbeesi, from the Suwwana area. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and ransacked homes in Wai al-Jouz, and abducted Mohammad Abu Shousha, in addition to Mustafa al-Hashlamoun, from his home in at-Tour. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and violently searched homes in al-Isawiya town, in the center of Jerusalem, and detained ten Palestinians after assaulting and clubbing them. The detained Palestinians have been identified as Amir Gharib, Mohammad Dari, Yazan Jaber, Fayez Moheisin, Mohammad Ayman 'Obeid, Anas Abu 'Assab, Laith Mahmoud, Adam Mustafa, Mohammad al-Kiswani and Ahmad Dirbas. (IMEMC 8 December 2017)

## **Israeli Settler Violence**

### **Home Demolition & Demolition threats**

### **Israeli Military Orders**

### **Confiscation & Razing of lands**

### **Expansion of settlements**

Construction and Housing Minister Yoav Galant (Kulanu) is promoting a plan to build 14,000 housing units in Jerusalem. The move follows [President Donald Trump's announcement](#) that the United States recognizes Jerusalem as the capital of Israel. The government would promote the construction of 5,000 housing units in Atarot, in addition to a new neighborhood in the area which is being promoted by the Jerusalem municipality. Another 1,000 housing units are expected in Pisgat Ze'ev and are waiting for approval, 3,000 units will be built in Katamon and 5,000 units will be built in Reches Lavan. ([INN](#) 8 December 2017)

**Erection of Outposts**

**Erection of Israeli checkpoints**

**Israeli Closures**

**The Israeli Segregation Wall**

**Other**