



# ARIJ Daily Report

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## Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 5 January 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

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked the weekly procession against the Segregation Wall and settlements in Kufur Qaddoum town, east of Qalqilia, in the northern part of the occupied West Bank. Dozens of Palestinians and international peace activists, marched from the center of the village, despite the heavy rain. The IOA attacked the protesters with gas bombs and concussion grenades, causing no

injuries, and attempted to detain some of them. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian protesters, marching on their lands near the border fence, east of Gaza city, wounding one. The IOA stationed behind the border fence, east of Gaza city, fired many live rounds, rubber-coated steel bullets and gas bombs at the protesters. A young man was shot with a live round in his leg, and suffered a moderate injury. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded, Qaddoura refugee camp, in central West Bank city of Ramallah, and shot one Palestinian. several armored military jeeps invaded the refugee camp, and shot the Palestinian in his thigh. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Silwan town, south of the Al-Aqsa Mosque, in occupied Jerusalem, and summoned a child, identified as Yousef Fawwaz Burqan, 11, for interrogation. The soldiers also photographed several homes and streets, in the town. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)

## **Israeli Arrests**

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian man, from his work near Jericho, in the occupied West Bank. The detained Palestinian has been identified as Nour Ezzeddin Shehada, from Ajjah town, southwest of Jenin, in the northern part of the West Bank. He was detained when the soldiers broke into a quarry where he worked, near Jericho, before the soldiers took him to an unknown destination. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)
- In Hebron, in the southern West Bank, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Ayman Abu Omar, after invading and searching his home, in Be'er as-Sabe' Street, in the city. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) interrogated many Palestinians, after invading their homes, in Hebron and the al-'Arroub refugee camp, north of the city. In addition, the IOA summoned Mahdi Mohammad Banat, 27, for interrogation in Etzion military base, north of Hebron, after invading his home in al-'Arroub refugee camp. It is

worth mentioning that the soldiers searched many neighborhoods in Hebron, al-'Arroub and many other communities. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)

- An Israeli court ordered the release of Nour Tamimi on a 5000 Israeli Shekels bail, after holding her captive for two weeks. The court denied an appeal by the prosecution, demanding keeping Nour held without bail, and ordered her immediate release. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked three young Palestinian men, after stopping a car in Silwan town, south of the Al-Aqsa Mosque, in occupied Jerusalem, and continuously assaulted them, causing various cuts and bruises, before detaining one of them. The IOA stopped a car transporting three young men, in the al-Ein neighborhood in Silwan, and forced them out of the vehicle, before thoroughly searching them while inspecting their ID cards. The IOA then assaulted the three Palestinians, by kicking and beating them up, in addition to striking them with their weapons, and detained of them, identified as Salah 'Oweida. The soldiers also hurled concussion grenades at many Palestinians, and fired rubber-coated steel bullets at them, after they gathered in the area in an attempt to stop the soldiers, and secure 'Oweida's release. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked, two young Palestinian men from the southern West Bank governorate of Hebron, causing various injuries, after invading and searching their homes, and detained them. The two detained Palestinians were identified as Mowaffaq Abu Haltam, 26, and Sabri Ibrahim Ghatasha, 36, who suffered visible cuts and bruises due to the Israeli soldiers repeated assaulted on them.
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Omar Mohammad Suleiman, 26, from Silat al-Harithiya, west of Jenin, in northern West Bank. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Nour Ezz Ad Din Qasem Shehada from Ajja village south of Jenin city after raiding his workplace in Jericho. (Wafa 5 January 2018)

## Israeli Settler Violence

- A Palestinian man was killed, after being rammed by a speeding Israeli bus, near Bethlehem, in the occupied West Bank, before the soldiers took his body, and returned it to his family five hours later. The family, from Ertas village, south of Bethlehem, said that the bus driver deliberately rammed their son, Rami Issa Khalil Ismael, 38, on Road #60, near the al-Khader town, also south of Bethlehem. The man was mainly struck in the head, causing many fractures, including to his skull, and splattering his brain onto the road. (IMEMC 5 January 2018)

## Expansion of settlements

- In a report by the Israeli Channel Two news, the Israeli government plan was revealed, to give final approval to 3,829 new colonial settlement units next week. The expansion plan follows a number of Israeli directives to take over more Palestinian land in the West Bank, including Jerusalem. Israeli Defense Minister Avigdor Lieberman issued a statement that Israel should seize this moment to take over as much land as they can, calling on the government to “approve new programs for the planning and sale of housing units in all parts of the West Bank.” The statement added that this expansion is “part of the policy of Defense Minister Avigdor Lieberman to strengthen settlement in [the West Bank]”. Lieberman said the government will soon be announcing bids for the construction of 900 new units in Ariel colony and 1145 units in several other West Bank settlements. According to [Yisrael Hayom](#), the 3,829 new units expected to be approved will include projects in Ariel, Beit El, Tzofim, Rehalim, Nogohot, Hevron, Givat Zeev, Tekoa, Kfar Etzion, Avnei Hefetz, Nofim, Kochav Yaakov, Har Bracha, and Maaleh Michmas. Other media sources have reported that construction has been confirmed for the following units: Ariel- 9 units, Eliezer- 11 units, Peza’el- 55 units, Hinnanit- 79 units, Susiya- 30 units, Ma’ale Adumim- 44 units, Kfar Adumim- 381 units, Givat Ze’ev- 196 units, Beit Arye- 8 units, Ma’on- 27 units, Karmeit Zur- 120 units, Oranit- 212 units, Zufin- 72 units, Metzad- 16 units and Efrat- 66 units. The units are set to be approved by the Israeli Civil Administration Higher Planning Committee, which will meet next week to give the final approval. (IMEMC, [Israel hayom](#) 5 January 2017)

- The Israeli Civil Administration's High Planning Committee is expected to approve the promotion of at least 1,329 housing units in illegal settlements in the occupied West Bank. The committee published its agenda, and is expected to approve the new settlement units next Wednesday, January 10. Two-thirds of the 1,329 units (883 housing units) "will be located in isolated settlements that Israel would probably have to evacuate under any two-state agreement." A total of 361 housing units will receive approval for validation, while another 986 will be approved for deposit. Among the plans to be approved are the expansion of the Alon settlement by 289 housing units, nearly doubling its size. Alon is located some kilometers northeast of mega-settlement Maale Adumim in the central West Bank Jerusalem Governorate. A plan for the addition of 120 housing units in Karmeit Zur, north of Hebron in the southern West Bank, is intended to expand the settlement by 91 dunams. A plan for dozens of housing units in the settlement of Ateret, north of Ramallah in the central West Bank, is set to be advanced, despite previous legal action showing that most of the land purchases were based on forged documents. The committee is also planning for the "temporary" approval of 11 structures in the illegal Nativ Haavot outpost, which is partially located on privately-owned Palestinian land. Despite orders from Israel's High Court for settlers to evacuate 17 buildings that were built fully or partially on private land by March 6 2018, the settlers are now "preparing a plan for building permits for the houses to be partially sawed off, so that it will be possible to circumvent the demand of the Court." (Maannews, [PEACENOW](#) 5 January 2018)