



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 18 February 2019

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) fired several missiles and artillery shells into areas in northern Gaza and injured 19 Palestinians during protests near the fence; the Israeli army said one soldier was hurt by an explosive. The army claimed that several Palestinian protesters “rolled burning tires at soldiers across the perimeter fence.” (IMEMC 18 February 2019)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired shells at an observation post, east of Jabalia, and at another site, north of Beit Hanoun, in northern Gaza, causing damage but no injuries. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)

Israeli Arrests

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted many worshipers in the Al-Aqsa Mosque, in occupied Jerusalem, before detaining four Palestinians, including one woman. The IOA assaulted several Muslim worshipers while trying to remove them from the holy site, and closed all gates leading to it. One of the detained Palestinians has been identified as Sheikh Ra'ed Da'na. Dozens of worshipers held noon prayers in Bab ar-Rahma area, to protest the closure of the Bab al-Rahma Gate, especially after the army closed it with chains. The IOA resorted to the excessive use of force against the worshipers, including many women and children. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two children from Shu'fat neighborhood in East Jerusalem, from a street near their home. The two youth were identified as Yasser Quresh and Zein al-Dibis. They were detained by Israeli undercover forces dressed as civilians, who never identified themselves as police or soldiers before grabbing the boys and pushing them into their unmarked vehicle. Only later were the parents of the two boys able to find out that it was Israeli forces who had abducted the children. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- In Jenin Governorate, in the northern part of the West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained four young men. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the town of Arrabeh, south of Jenin, and detained Hazem Mazen 'Atari, after raiding his house and ransacking it. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Omar Suleiman Sa'adi from the Jenin refugee camp after they ambushed him on the Arab-American University road. The IOA were dressed as Palestinians and did not identify themselves as soldiers before they grabbed and kidnapped Omar. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the town of Qabatiya in Jenin Governorate and detained Mohammad Adnan Nazzal and Ibrahim Zakarneh. The IOA raided and searched their houses in Qabatiya, and pulled the men from their beds as they were sleeping to take them to an Israeli military base for interrogation and detention. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- In the Nablus area, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the town of Aqaba, north of Tubas, and detained a young man who was sleeping in his bed. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained one young man identified as Adham Zayed al-Masri, after raiding the house of his family in the town of Tubas in the northern West Bank. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- In Tulkarem Governorate, in the northern West Bank, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young man from the Shuweika suburb north of Tulkarem identified as Hamdan Marwan Adhailia, 30, after raiding his house and searching it. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers stormed the courtyards of Al-Aqsa Mosque via the Moroccan Gate, accompanied by occupation police. 60 Israeli settlers stormed the mosque in the company of rabbis, carrying out provocative tours in its courtyards, and receiving explanations about the alleged historic temple. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and police stormed a Palestinian family home located in the Khalidiya block of Old Jerusalem, near the Al-Aqsa Mosque, threatening to evict it for Jewish settlers. The IOA broke into a house inhabited by the family of Hatem Abu Assab and spread throughout, while another force surrounded the house from the outside and closed the street leading to it, knowing that Abu Assab received notification of the evacuation of the house and managed, through his lawyer, to postpone the decision to evacuate until the 28th of this month. The family, which has been living in the house for more

than 65 years, has made several appeals, to the residents of Jerusalem and various institutions, to support the family and stand against the evacuation of the house, in favor of the settlers. In addition, the family, which currently consists of 9 people living in the house, says it paid the house rent continuously to the absentee property guard. The lease was renewed, but, five years ago, it was surprised by the eviction case. The property, which is located in the neighborhood of al-Qarami, leading to Al-Aqsa Mosque, belongs to the Nusseibeh family of Jerusalem, which had been established by Jews before 1948, for 99 years. A decision was issued in late October 2018, to evict the house on the pretext of losing the right to protection, according to the family. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Kherbit Al Halaweh in the southern Hebron Hills and notified citizen Ali Muhammad Abu Arram to demolish his two rooms house. (Wafa 18 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Kherbit At Tabban in the southern Hebron Hills and notified citizen Sameer Al Hamadah to demolish his two rooms house and citizen Issa Al Hamadah an order to demolish his animal barn. (Wafa 18 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Kherbit Khashem Ad Daraj in the southern Hebron Hills and notified to demolish a kids public park and a nature reserve in the area. (Wafa 18 February 2019)

Confiscation & Razing of lands

- In Burin village south of Nablus city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded hundreds of Dunams of Palestinian lands, planted with almond trees, and bulldozed them to expand the Givat Ronim outpost, which was built on private Palestinian lands, east of Burin village southwest of Nablus. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) bulldozed large areas of Palestinian lands, owned by villages from Sanniriya and Masha villages, south of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia to expand Etz Efraim, Sha'arei Tikva, Elkana and Oranit. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) bulldozed land belonging to Palestinians at the eastern entrance to the town of Deir Nidham, north of Ramallah, in the occupied West Bank. The IOA accompanied by a

number of heavy machines and bulldozers, stormed the town and proceeded to raze the land belonging to three local residents, Ahmad At Tamimi, Abdel Hamid At Tamimi and Ahmad Saleh Al Khateeb, intended to expand the settlement of Halamish, which has been growing in the area at the expense of Palestinian villages, ever since three Israeli settlers were killed in that settlement in 2017. (IMEMC, WAFA 18 February 2019)

- Israeli bulldozers razed hundreds of dunams of Palestinian lands in the Sanniriya and Masha villages in the northern occupied West Bank village of Qalqiliya. The razing comes under the Israeli Ministry of Interior's decision to unite four illegal Israeli settlements built on lands of Qalqiliya. Israel prevents Palestinian farmers from Sanniriya and Masha from reaching their lands that were then razed. Palestinian owners had not received any orders of confiscation for these lands. (Maannews 18 February 2019)

Other

- The Company for the Reconstruction and Development of the Jewish Quarter, in the Old City of Jerusalem, invested more than 200 million shekels (\$55,288,940) into "settlement projects", in Jerusalem's Old City. The projects will include renovating the Tiferet Yisrael Synagogue, the Burnt House, and the Wohl Archaeological Museum. The company is reportedly working to upgrade the Jewish Quarter, which is located in the Old City, and will cost more than 200 million shekels. (IMEMC 18 February 2019)