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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.

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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot, three Palestinians east of Jabalia, in the northern part of the besieged and improvised Gaza Strip. The IOA opened fire at several youngsters, on Palestinian lands close to the perimeter fence. The three suffered moderate wounds. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) drones fired two missiles into a site near the perimeter fence, in the eastern area of Central Gaza. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- On the 49th week of Great March of Return and Breaking Siege on Gaza, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) injured 83 Palestinian civilians, including 23 children and one woman, in addition to three Paramedics, and one journalist. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- Shortly after detaining him, the Israeli occupation authorities issued orders preventing the head of the Waqf and Islamic Affairs Department in occupied Jerusalem, Sheikh Abdul-Athim Salhab, from entering the Al-Aqsa Mosque for forty days. Salhab was recently detained and interrogated after dozens of Palestinians managed to reopen [Bab ar-Rahma Mosque](#) of Al-Aqsa, and was denied access into the holy site for one week. The army then closed the mosque again after conducting massive abductions among the Palestinians in the occupied city. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)

Israeli Arrests

- Dozens of Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded al-Khader, and conducted violent searches of many homes in the town, and interrogated the residents before detaining two young men, identified as Mahmoud Sa'id Sbeih and Abdullah Ahmad Mousa. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- In Teqoua' town, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and ransacked many homes, and detained a young man, identified as

Mohyeddin Ahmad al-'Amour. In addition, the army closed the western entrance of the town, after sealing the huge iron gate, and preventing the Palestinians from entering or leaving through that area. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)

- In Jerusalem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a guard of the Al-Aqsa Mosque, identified as Mohammad Salhi, as he was leaving the holy site through Bab as-Silsila (The Chain Gate), and took him to a nearby detention facility. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- In Bethlehem, south of Jerusalem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Abdullah Ahmad Mousa, Mohammad As'ad Sbeih and Mohyeddin al-'Amour. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Raja Ahmad Abu Safa, and Mohammad Hasan Mousa, from their homes in Jenin and Tulkarem, in northern West Bank. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two siblings, identified as Ghassan and Anas Ahmad Tahaina, from Jenin, while they were crossing the al-Karama Border Terminal, between the occupied West Bank and Jordan, after visiting Turkey. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- Israeli intelligence summoned senior Fatah official Hatem Abdul Qader for questioning at the Moroccan Compound in occupied East Jerusalem. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Hatem Abdul Qader's home in Beit Hanina neighborhood, in East Jerusalem, and handed him a summon notice. The reason for the summoning remained unknown. Abdul Qader is also a member of the Islamic Endowment (Waqf) Council, in charge of the Islamic holy places in Jerusalem City. (Maannews 3 March 2019)
- Israeli authorities issued 87 administrative detention orders, against a number of Palestinian prisoners held in various Israeli prisons. 50 out of the 87 administrative detention orders are renewed orders, while the remaining 37 detainees received detention orders for the first time. The administrative detention orders were issued between October 1-16th. The orders range from three to six months of prison. According to prisoners rights group Addameer, there are 5,450 Palestinian prisoners being held in Israeli prisons, of whom 495 are in administrative

detention, 53 are female prisoners, 215 are children, and 43 of the children are under the age of 16. (Maannews 3 March 2019)

Israeli Settler Violence

- A group of Israeli settlers, escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA), brutalized farmers living in the eastern area of in Fara'ata village, east of Qalqilia and threatened to attack them if they come again, to their agricultural lands. The settlers also detained two cars belonging to local residents, for a while, and threatened to burn crops in plots of land belonging to Fara'ata farmers. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire, with machine guns, at Palestinian farmers as they were working their plots of land in the east of Khan Younis, southern Gaza Strip. The intensity of the shooting forced the farmers to leave their lands, but no one was injured in the attack. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Jerusalem Planning and Building Committee turned down some 20 applications for residential building permits submitted by Palestinians, rejecting a long-standing procedure for establishing land ownership in [East Jerusalem](#). Representatives of right-wing parties and the secular Hitorerut ticket on the city's zoning board voted against the building plans, while members of [the ultra-Orthodox](#) parties voted in favor. The significance of the decision goes beyond the rejection of these particular plans. In the long run, it rules out almost any future Palestinian construction in [East Jerusalem](#). About 330,000 residents of East Jerusalem face a serious housing shortage due to years of neglect of Palestinian neighborhoods, including the lack of any zoning plans and infrastructure in these areas. One of the most difficult obstacles to Palestinian construction in Jerusalem is the fact that ownership of about 90 percent of land in the eastern part of the city is not listed in the Israel Land Registry. Consequently, [Palestinian residents](#) cannot prove property ownership and therefore they cannot submit applications for construction permits. The problem has been dealt with in past decades with the "mukhtar protocol." Anyone wanting to build on their land must collect signatures of consent from mukhtars, local leaders or clan heads recognized by the city hall. Nir Barkat, the former mayor, upgraded this system by adding to the pool of local leaders city

officials whose signatures could be recognized for this purpose. Right-wing members of the city council, led by Aryeh King and Yehonatan Yosef, have campaigned against the system for a year, accusing local Arab leaders of being corrupt and of building without permits. In a marathon session last week, the Jerusalem Planning and Building Committee approved dozens of building plans that had been stalled during the campaign for October's local elections and the municipal coalition talks that followed. But it turned down around 20 plans whose permit applications relied on the mukhtar protocol. While the local committee's decision must be approved by the district committee to take effect, the development suggests the established method for determining land ownership is living on borrowed time. "The claims were that the system had become a tool for corruption," Elad Malka, the zoning board member from Hitorerut, told Haaretz. Committee chairman Eliezer Rauchberger, from the Haredi party Degel Hatorah, said he voted in favor of keeping the mukhtar protocol because "it's a good solution" to a problem. Mohammed Abu Ghanem, an architect whose plan for 12 homes in Silwan was rejected, called the decision a "catastrophe." He said "we have no other ownership documents to present, and 90 percent of the land is not registered." "It's too bad that committee members want to deny [Palestinians](#) in any way possible the possibility of living securely on their land," said Laura Wharton, a U.S.-born city councilwoman who heads the local Meretz party. "The new 'mukhtar protocol' has been developed together with the Justice Ministry to enable East Jerusalem residents to arrange land ownership and receive building permits. The city engineer recommended approval [of the plans] and those who opposed provided no rationale for rejecting his view. "It is sad to see elected officials taking advantage of their power to advance a political agenda, in this case, an ultranationalist one, at the expense of city residents seeking permits for plans that city professionals had already approved," Wharton said. ([Haaretz](#) 3 March 2019)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the village of Beit Ta'mir, southeast of Bethlehem in the occupied West Bank, and handed the family of Nayef Hasan Zawahra an order for the demolition of their home. The home is a 100 square/meters one-story building, providing shelter for ten family members, and first received a demolition order in June of 2018. The army is alleging that the property, in the Palestinian village, was built without a permit from the Israeli "Civil Administration Office," the administrative and executive branch of the illegal military occupation of Palestine. The home is located near the

Tahadi 5 School, which is also subject to constant invasions and violations, under the same Israeli allegations. (IMEMC 3 March 2019)

- Israeli bulldozers demolished a Palestinian-owned car wash in the Beit Safafa neighborhood, in occupied East Jerusalem. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the neighborhood and completely demolished the car wash under the pretext that it was built without the nearly-impossible to obtain Israeli permit. (Maannews 3 March 2019)

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