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**Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine**

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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.*

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## Violations of the Israeli occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) Invaded the ath-Thaher area, south of Beit Ummar, north of Hebron, and injured several Palestinians during ensuing protests. (IMEMC 16 January 2020)
- Israeli warplanes, bombed at least two posts across the besieged Gaza Strip. An Israeli drone targeted a post, northwest of Gaza city, causing fires to break out. In addition Israeli F-16 fighter jets pounded the same post with two missiles, causing extensive material damage to the nearby civilian homes. An additional strike was confirmed at a post in Jabalia town in the northern besieged enclave, and no casualties were reported. (IMEMC 16 January 2020)
- Several police officers barged into the Aqsa Mosque's Bab al-Rahma prayer building without removing their shoes. The police officers provocatively toured the Bab al-Rahma building, searched the place and used their cellphone cameras to photograph it. (PALINFO 16 January 2020)

## Israeli Settler Violence

- Scores of Jewish settlers desecrated the Aqsa Mosque under tight police protection. Students of religious institutes were among the settlers who toured the Mosque's courtyards in groups escorted by police forces. During the presence of settlers inside the Mosque compound, entry restrictions are imposed on Muslim worshipers at the entrances leading to the Mosque and their IDs are seized until they leave the holy place. About 34,706 settlers defiled the Aqsa Mosque in 2019, according to the Islamic Awqaf Authority. (PALINFO 16 January 2020)
- A horde of Jewish settlers tried to take over a house in Madama village, south of Nablus. The settlers stormed the house of Yehya Mohamed in Madama village in an attempt to seize it. The settlers occupied the rooftop of the house before they fled away after local residents showed up and fended them off. (PALINFO 16 January 2020)

## Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- In Yatta town, south of the southern West Bank city of Hebron, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a home, owned by Hussein Mohammad Salama, in the ad-Deerat area, east of Yatta. The IOA did not allow the Palestinian to remove his belongings from the property before demolishing it. (IMEMC 16 January 2020)
- The demolished home was 150 square/meters, and provided shelter to a family of ten. This was the second demolition of the property since last year, under the allegation of not receiving a permit from the so-called “Civil Administration Office,” the administrative branch of Israel’s illegal occupation of Palestine. During the invasion and the demolition, the IOA detained Mohammad Eyad Rib’ey, 19, and Zakariya Haitham Rib’ey, 18. The IOA also attacked the residents who gathered in the area and fired a barrage of gas bombs and concussion grenades at them; many Palestinians suffered the effects of teargas inhalation, in addition to cuts and bruises. (IMEMC 16 January 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Zeev area, east of Yatta town, and forced a Palestinian, identified as Ali Issa Abu Arram, to remove a structure, which was used as a carwash facility. (IMEMC 16 January 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished structures in Bir Una area of Beit Jala city, west of Bethlehem. Mohamed Zarina, owner of those structures, said that the IOA demolished a tent, a prefabricated home, walls and a gate in Bir Una area belonging to him, pointing out that he was not there when the demolitions happened. (PALINFO 16 January 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) razed two roads in the Ein Juwaiza area of Walaja village in the west of Bethlehem. (PALINFO 16 January 2020)

## Israeli Military Orders

- The Israeli military issued orders, to seize 350 dunams (86 acres) of agricultural land in al-Khader and Irtas towns, south of the southern West

Bank city of Bethlehem, The bypass road, planned solely for the purpose of settlement expansion, will make inaccessible the Palestinian owned agricultural land, adding that it will also take along with it 150 meters of land on both sides. (IMEMC 16 January 2020)

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

- Israeli bulldozers razed two roads in the village of al-Walaja, located to the west of the southern West Bank city of Bethlehem. The IOA stormed Ein Jowaize area in the village and cordoned it off, before bulldozers razed two roads. The IOA also handed a local resident, identified as Walid Mahmoud al-Atrash, an order, notifying him of the imminent destruction of his recently-reclaimed land, which occupies an area of 600 square meters. The plan is to tear down the retaining walls surrounding the plot of land and uproot his saplings with no clear reason. (Wafa 16 January 2020)