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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.

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Violations of the Israeli occupation Army

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded Makassed Hospital in Jerusalem while firing of tear-gas bombs. Dozens of patients and medical staff suffered breathing difficulties as a result of tear-gas inhalation, making it necessary to evacuate many patients. The IOA violently stormed the hospital, searched several rooms and offices while firing tear-gas canisters. Field interrogations were held with a number of Palestinian civilians before the armed troops withdrew from the hospital. (IMEMC, PIC 23 August 2020)
- Israeli occupation authority (IOA) decided to ban entry of all kinds of goods into Gaza through al-Karama border crossing, except for food and medical supplies. The private sector companies were informed of the Israeli decision in this regard. For more than a week, the IOA have been preventing entry of building materials and fuel supplies into Gaza and imposing closure on its sea. (PALINFO 23 August 2020)

Israeli Settler Violence

- In Masafer Yatta in southern Hebron Governorate, Israeli settlers from the Maon settlement, attacked shepherds as they were grazing their sheep in the fields, forcing them to leave the area. Israeli settlers from the Mitpze Yair and Susyia settlements, built on expropriated Palestinian land in Masafer Yatta, cut hundreds of olive trees in the area. (WAFSA 23 August 2020)
- In the northern West Bank, settlers set up a mobile home on Palestinian land in the town of Beita, southeast of Nablus, near the 777 Israeli settlement outpost. (WAFSA 23 August 2020)
- Israeli settlers, invaded al-Walaja village, northwest of Bethlehem City, in the southern occupied West Bank. The group of Israeli settlers, protected by Israeli soldiers, stormed al-Walaja village, roamed its streets, and inspected Palestinian-owned lands under threat of confiscation by the occupation state, for the construction of settler outposts. Israeli settlers barged their way into the village, and toured the Rweisat Mount and a local water spring which are at risk of seizure. (IMEMC , WAFSA, PIC 23 August 2020)

- About 55 Israeli settlers entered the Mosque in groups through al-Maghariba Gate and some of them performed Jewish prayers before leaving through al-Silsila Gate. Police forces also secured the eastern area of the Mosque for the settlers and prevented Muslim worshipers from getting near. The Israeli police close al-Maghariba Gate, which is used by Jews to enter the Mosque, at 10:30 am after the settlers complete their morning tours at the holy site. Later in the afternoon, the same gate is reopened for evening tours by settlers. 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. (PALINFO 23 August 2020)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded al-'Isawiya town, northeast of occupied Jerusalem, and demolished several residential and agricultural structures. Many Israeli Occupation Army (IOA), police officer and personnel of the City Council in occupied Jerusalem, invaded the town, and started bulldozing structures and uprooting lands. The lands, privately-owned by three Palestinians from the town, are located in the eastern area of al-'Isawiya. The IOA first destroyed and removed the fences surrounded the lands and started the demolition of structures and the uprooting of trees. The structures belonged to Mohamed Muheisen and were demolished at the pretext of unlicensed construction. During the attack, the IOA also deliberately destroyed water pipelines, and small water reservoirs. (IMEMC 23 August 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) handed demolition notices to Palestinian owners of two buildings in Wadi al-Hummus area, northeast of Bethlehem city, in the southern West Bank. The IOA ordered the demolition of two residential buildings, each consisting of two floors of 200 square meters, for being too close to the Israeli 700 kilometer long so-called 'separation barrier'. (IMEMC 23 August 2020)