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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

- On Wednesday evening, Israeli soldiers abducted the deputy director of the Islamic Waqf and Endowment Department in the occupied capital, Jerusalem, in the West Bank. Media sources said the soldiers abducted Dr. Najeh Bkearat after stopping him at a military roadblock southeast of occupied Jerusalem. Before abducting the Palestinian official, the soldiers stopped dozens of cars and interrogated many Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards. In related news, the soldiers invaded the Batn al-Hawa neighborhood in Silwan town, south of the Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem, and fired many gas bombs and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinians who protested the invasion. (IMEMC 5 MAY 2022)
- Israeli soldiers injured dozens of Palestinians in the courtyards of the Al-Aqsa Mosque and in the al-Qibli Mosque in the holy compound, in the occupied Palestinian capital Jerusalem, in the West Bank. Dozens of soldiers and police officers invaded the courtyard of the holy site and assaulted many Palestinians with batons before firing dozens of rubber-coated steel bullets and gas bombs, causing dozens of injuries. The soldiers also surrounded dozens of worshipers in the al-Qibli Mosque and attacked them, causing injuries. The army and the police also assaulted Palestinian journalists and forced them out of the courtyards of the holy site in preparation for allowing dozens of colonizers into the holy compound. It is worth mentioning that Israeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennet issued orders allowing the illegal colonizers to invade and tour the courtyards of the holy site to celebrate "Israel's independence," the illegal occupation and colonization of occupied Palestine. The Israeli police said Al-Aqsa would be open to the colonizers from 7:00 to 11:00 in the morning and from 1:30 to 2:30 in the afternoon. (IMEMC 5 MAY 2022)
- Israeli soldiers abducted, Wednesday evening, two Palestinian children north of Bethlehem, south of occupied Jerusalem in the West Bank. Local sources said the soldiers invaded the eastern area of 'Aida refugee camp before abducting two children, Haitham Lutfi Da'amsa, 13, and Akram Jaber al-A'raj, 14. After abducting them, the soldiers took the two abducted children to a military base near Bethlehem. The soldiers also

stopped and interrogated several Palestinians while inspecting their ID cards. In related news, the Israeli army abducted a young Palestinian man who reportedly breached the perimeter fence in the southern part of the Gaza Strip and took him to an interrogation facility. (IMEMC 5 MAY 2022)

- Israeli police today cracked down on Palestinians inside Jerusalem's Al-Aqsa Mosque compound as settler intrusions resumed, according to Wafa correspondent. She said that heavily-armed police violently dispersed Palestinian worshippers protesting renewed settler intrusions into the flashpoint site, opening tear gas canisters and rubber-coated steel bullets towards them and resulting in dozens of injuries, mostly from tear gas. The violent confrontations erupted as police allowed dozens of settlers to barge their way into the courtyards of the site from the direction of the Moroccan Gate, known in Arabic as Bab al-Maghariba, in celebration of what they call Israel's "Independence Day", which saw the ethnic cleansing of 750,000 to one million indigenous Palestinians 74 years ago and turning them into refugees to establish a Jewish-majority state in Palestine. The settlers waved the Israeli flag at Alqatanin Gate, located on the western side of the site, and sang Israel's national anthem. Police scuffled with Palestinians barricading themselves within the site and attempted to force them, including journalists, out of the courtyards to make room for the intruders. They also sealed off the Qibli prayer area within the mosque compound, denying worshippers access to it and caused damage to 800-year-old Salah Al-Din Minbar (pulpit), located inside the prayer area. (IMEMC 5 MAY 2022)

Israeli Settler Violence

- On Thursday, illegal Israeli colonizers invaded large areas of Palestinian farmlands and orchards and had their livestock feed on hundreds of olive saplings and fifteen dunams planted with Hummus plants near Bethlehem in the occupied West Bank. Ibrahim Mousa, the Mayor of Al-Khader town south of Bethlehem, said the colonizers came from the illegal Sidi Boaz colony, built on Palestinian lands, west of the town. He added that the colonizers brought their large flock of sheep into the Palestinian lands to feed on the plants and olive saplings. The sheep ate and destroyed at least three hundred olive saplings and fifteen dunams

planted with hummus. The colonizers frequently invade Palestinian lands and attack the farmers in Ein al-Qassis and Ein al-Ghaweet areas in Al-Khader. The attacks include uprooting crops and trees, assaulting the farmers, releasing their dogs to attack the Palestinians, and bringing their livestock to graze in the farmlands. (IMEMC 5 May 2022)

- Hardline Israeli settlers today chopped off 40 olive saplings and trees for Palestinian farmers in the village of Sinjil, in the occupied West Bank province of Ramallah, as well as embarked on the constriction of a colonial outpost in the village of Jalud in Nablus province, according to local sources. Muataz Tawafsheh, head of the Sinjil municipality, told WAFA that a group of Israeli settlers chopped off 40 olive saplings belonging to Abu Mustafa Haj Houd, a local Palestinian citizen. He said the attack was the latest in a series of attacks by Israeli settlers on the area over the last few weeks. Meantime, illegal Israeli settlers embarked on the construction of a new settlement outpost near the village of Jalud, to the south of Nablus in the occupied West Bank. (WAFA 5 May 2022)
- Israeli settlers today seized a large tract of land belonging to the villagers of al-Khader, south of Bethlehem city, according to a local official. The town mayor, Ibrahim Mousa, said that a group of settlers descended upon Az-Zayah, which covers an area of 60 donums of the villagers' land flanked by the colonial settlement of Neve Daniyyel and outpost of Sede Boaz. The landowners attempted to repel the settler takeover of their land, but were attacked by gun-toting Israeli soldiers, with two landowners, both in their 60s, injured as a result. Mousa added that the settlers have set up a canopy at the site as a prelude for the establishment of a colonial outpost, a move which entails the confiscation of larger tract of land for settlement construction. Earlier today, settlers grazed their livestock on 15 donums of privately-owned Palestinian land planted with olive saplings and chickpeas, located west of the town. (WAFA 5 May 2022)
- Israeli settlers today blocked a major northern West Bank traffic artery to Palestinian traffic, according to local sources. They said that a group of settlers blocked the main road linking the city of Jenin to the city of Nablus to vehicles with Palestinian licensing plates, noting that the closed section is located close to Silat ad-Dhahr town, southwest of Jenin. Meanwhile, settlers, under military protection, barged their way into the site of the former colonial settlement of Homesh, south of Jenin. (WAFA 5 May 2022)

- Israeli settlers today grazed their cattle on Palestinian groves in al-Khader town, south of Bethlehem, causing significant destruction, according to a local official. The town mayor, Ibrahim Mousa, said that a group of settlers grazed their livestock on 15 dunums of land planted with olive saplings and chickpeas, belonging to Hisham Barmil and located west of the town. The assailants came from the nearby colonial settlement outpost of Sidi Boaz, built on Palestinian-owned land. (Wafa 5 May 2022)

Israeli Military Orders

- Israeli occupation authorities announced the illegal annexation of 22,000 dunums of Palestinian-owned land to the south of Jericho city in the occupied West Bank, according to local sources. Younes Jaafar, a Palestinian rights activist, told Wafa that the land expropriated by the Israeli military order belongs to the village of Sawahra al-Sharqiya, and is part of the Israeli colonial project E1. The project, initiated first in 2012, is aimed at isolating Jerusalem from the rest of the West Bank and disrupting the territorial contiguity between the northern and southern parts of the West Bank. Muayyad Shaaban, the Head of the Palestinian Authority's Settlement and Wall Resistance Commission, condemned the Israeli announcement of the expropriation of 22,000 dunums of Palestinian land. Shaaban said the latest Israeli expropriation order was aimed to impose a fait accompli on the land by changing its features, as well as further dividing the West Bank and turning it into unconnected cantons, thus preventing the establishment of a geographically contiguous and sovereign Palestinian state. Israel uses the Absentee Property Law to claim the lands it forced the Palestinians to abandon in the 1948 and 1967 wars. It also deploys a range of tactics to declare all unregistered lands – left out by the Ottoman and British occupiers and believed to be two-thirds of the West Bank – as possible “state” land. Palestinian lands are also confiscated in the name of archaeological and tourism purposes, and if they are bought from Palestinians, it is almost always through coercive measures, according to the Israeli rights group Peace Now. (PEACENOW , IMEMC 5 May 2022)
- The Israeli Supreme Court authorizes the forcible expulsion of hundreds of Palestinians from their lands in Masafer Yatta in Hebron and refused the petition submitted by 12 Palestinian residential compounds housing at

least 2000 people against a 1980 military order that imposes a complete closure on Masafer Yatta area and declares that over 30,000 dunums designated as (Firing Zone 918), with no regard for it being an inhabited area. Upon this decision, the Israeli occupation forces (IOF) are allowed to take all the measures they deem appropriate, including military exercises under any designation, between Palestinians' houses and expel them from the area at any time. In reality, IOF denies Palestinians' presence in the area, and they previously served 12 demolition notices to residential communities. (IMEMC 5 May 2022)

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