



ARIJ Daily Report

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Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt 19 May 2014

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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Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Kafr Aqab village, north of Jerusalem city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades, causing dozens of suffocation cases. (Al-Quds 19 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) razed 8 dunums of Palestinian land and uprooted 300 olive trees in Wadi Salem area in Nahhalin village, west of Bethlehem city. During the operation, the IOA declared the area as “close military zone”. (Al-Quds 19 May 2014)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at a group of Palestinians, while they were at the western part of Beit Hanun terminal, north of Gaza strip. As a result a Palestinian was injured. (Al-Quds 19 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded and searched several Palestinian houses in Dura town, west of Hebron city. (RB2000 19 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers razed electricity network in Khirbet Ar-Ras area, west of Idhna town, west of Hebron city. (Safa 19 May 2014)

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after raiding Ein Al-Louza neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. The arrestees were identified as: Mansor Al-Awar (16 years), Muaz Al-Awar (16 years) and Ahmed Al-Ghoul (16 years). (Maannews 19 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinians and summoned Ahmed Qassem Al-Azraq to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion settlement bloc, after storming and searching their family houses in Ayda refugee camp, north of Bethlehem city. The arrestees were identified as: Mu'tasem Bassam Abu Khdeir (18 years) and Ali Ahmed Abu Srouf (17 years) (RB2000 19 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Lutfi Hassan Awad (42 years) after storming his house in Idhna town, west of Hebron city. (RB2000 19 May 2014)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Diyab Abu Qubitah from Yatta town, south of Hebron city while he was interviewing the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion settlement bloc. (RB2000 19 May 2014)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers razed Palestinian land and uprooted trees around Ariel settlement, north of Salfit city (Safa 19 May 2014)

Other

- Settlers lobby ministers to oppose 'quiet freeze'. Lobbyists claim that freeze decision was made without "serious discussion" in the Knesset; Netanyahu warns against Palestinian incitement. Settlers on Sunday lobbied ministers to oppose a "quiet freeze" on the publication of

tenders and advancement of plans for homes in West Bank settlements and Jewish neighborhoods of east Jerusalem. "We urge you to publicly declare your opposition to this freeze and to work with all your might, both politically and publicly, to advance the settlements," wrote settler leader Avi Ro'eh in a letter that he sent to all ministers. In it, Ro'eh explained that Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu instructed the Defense Ministry to freeze all planning and marketing of housing units over the pre- 1967 lines. It's problematic that Netanyahu imposed this "quiet" freeze without a serious discussion in the government or the Knesset, wrote Ro'eh, who heads the Council of Jewish Communities in Judea and Samaria. There is no end date to this freeze, Ro'eh added. His council was first alerted to the freeze after the Defense Ministry last month canceled a meeting of the Higher Planning Council of Judea and Samaria. At the time, officials explained to *The Jerusalem Post* that Israel was temporarily holding back on such activity to focus international attention on Palestinian failures, particularly the unity pact between Fatah and Hamas. At the weekly cabinet meeting, Netanyahu continued to attack the Palestinian Authority and blamed its incitement against Israel for the high rate of anti-Semitism in its territories. "Last week, the Anti-Defamation League issued a global report in which it compared levels of anti-Semitism among adults in various places around the world," Netanyahu said. "It seems that the place with the highest level of anti-Semitism is the Palestinian Authority, where 93 percent of adults hold anti-Semitic views. "This is the result of the Palestinian Authority's unceasing incitement, which distorts the image of the State of Israel and the Jewish people, as we have known in other places in our past. This finds expression in the fact that they hold parades to commemorate what they call the Nakba," Netanyahu said. "They define the existence and establishment of the State of Israel as a disaster that must be corrected. This also finds expression in the increased activity that the Palestinians are allowing in Judea and Samaria for Hamas, which directly and openly calls for our destruction," said Netanyahu. "Whoever sees the establishment of the State of Israel and its continued existence as a disaster does not want peace," he said. But in his letter, Ro'eh urged the ministers not to be swayed by strong statements from Netanyahu. (JPOST 19 May 2014)