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April 6,2002

- A Palestinian woman was shot and wounded by a Jewish colonist from Karmel, east of Yatta village in Hebron. Quds

April 11,2002

- The Israeli High Court sent three evacuation orders to three Palestinian families living in Sheikh Jarah neighbourhood, east Jerusalem. The claim is that the three houses were built over a land belongs to a Jewish group called "Sfaradim". Khalil Tafakji, the director of the geographic centre in the Arab Studies Society mentioned that this process of evacuating Palestinian families from Jarah neighbourhood aims to establish a Jewish settlement outpost and to erect a belt of settlements stretch from west Jerusalem toward the Hebrew university. Quds

April 16,2002

- Israeli forces bulldozed land cultivated with olive trees in the Palestinian village of El-Nabi Saleh, northwest Ramallah. The bulldozing process aim to construct a new by-pass road serve Hallamish settlement. Quds

April 17,2002

- The Israeli forces damaged a plot of cultivated land and confiscated other tens of Dunums in khums village northwest Ramallah. Palestinian

villagers confirmed that four Israeli bulldozers destroyed forestry trees area and scores of olive trees belonging to the Palestinian villages of Deir Sudan, El-Nabi Saleh, Um Safa, Deir Ghassaneh and kh.Fasha. Also, the Israeli forces took control over two water springs “Ein Kalba and Ein Amer” which are used for irrigation and drinking .Quds

April 20,2002

- A number of Israeli bulldozers, accompanied by forces, leveled an about 3,000 Dunums of agricultural land cultivated with seeds and almond trees in As Samou’ village of Hebron district. Quds
- The Israeli army and for the fifth day consequently, is continuing a process of huge destruction to a cultivated land planted with olive trees in Far'un village, four kilometre south of Tulkarem .Also, a massive damage occurred to the water supply network in the village. Quds
- A comprehensive report about the damages occurred in Far'un village published in Al-Quds newspaper and **stated that** :
 - 31 Dunums of wheat, 5 Dunums of thyme , and 26 Dunums of fig have been bulldozed .
 - Uprooting of 160 orange , olive and fig trees
 - Partially damaging of 1875 olive trees and spoiling 6 Dunums of green houses

April 24,2002

- Bni Alon, the Israeli advocate for the Jewish colonizing society in Sheikh Jarah neighborhood stated that there 17 settlement outposts would be established around the Old City of Jerusalem in order to enforce the Jewish existence .Moreover, a formal Israeli source states that a major colonization plan have been executed in the northern part of the west Bank between the two settlements of Elkana and Shari Tekva. This plan includes the construction of 130 villas in the first stage and building around 350 housing units at the second stage. The project will extend on 400 Dunums of area. Quds

April 25,2002

- Jewish settlers in Hebron city are establishing new settlement outpost; five houses have been confiscated in the heart of the old city-old market. The old market has been closed by Israeli military order since Al-Ebrahimi Mosque massacre 1994. Quds

- The mayor of As samu’ village said that the Israeli authorities is planning to seized over 4,000 Dunums of agricultural land belongs to the village .He also mentioned that the Israeli bulldozers destroyed about 1,000 of Dunums of agricultural land cultivated with almond and vegetables. Quds

April 29,2002

- The Israeli bulldozers are continuing its process of constructing the new military fenced road between the Jewish settlement of Gilo and the Palestinian city of Beit Jala in Bethlehem district. Consequently, hundreds of agricultural land planted with olive and almond trees have been confiscated. Quds

Note: due to the long Israeli incursion to Bethlehem district and imposing a daily curfew, some sources couldn’t be delivered.

District	Confiscated Lands	Threatened Lands	Uprooted/ confiscated/ burnt/razed trees	Demolished Houses	Threatened Houses
Jerusalem	0	0	0	0	3
Hebron	3000	4000	0	0	0
Total	3000	4000	0	0	3

The **Monthly** overview report gives a list of the Israeli Violations in the Occupied Palestinian Territory which are based on reports provided by field workers and\or by one or more of the following news sources: Al-Ayyam daily newspaper, Al-Quds daily newspaper, Palestinian National Information Center, Haaretz Daily Newspaper, The Jerusalem Post - English-language daily newspaper, International Press Center, Palestine News Agency-Wafa, Ma'an News Agency, and Yediot Ahronot.

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