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Jerusalem

- The Israeli bulldozers started razing lands around Al Naghrez Monastery run by the Catholic church at the western gate of Al 'Izzariya town to resume Wall Constructions in the area. Quds (Sep 1, 2005).
- The Israeli Committee "Ateret Kohanim" is willing to construct 51 housing units at the place of the police headquarter in Ras El 'Amoud which is going to be relocated in Ma'ale Adumim area. Quds (Sep 4, 2005).
- Jerusalem Municipality charged resident Mahmoud Muhammad 'Abed El 'Al from Shu'fat camp an Arnona Tax of NIS 21,000. Quds (Sep 8, 2005).
- The IOF started working on the Infrastructures of the Segregation Wall around Al Barid outskirt north of Jerusalem city. Wafa (Sep 8, 2005).
- The Israeli authorities issued military warning to confiscate 144 dunums of lands in Block 2 in areas of Al Zanbeir, Abu Zeitun, Al Ma'sar, Hajar El Dik, Al Harth and Al Ras Al Sharqi in Beit Ijza, northwest Jerusalem. Wafa (Sep 11, 2005).

- The Israeli Ministry of Finance allocated NIS 400 millions for developing the old city of Jerusalem during the years 2005 and 2013. Arabs48 (Sep 13, 2005).
- The IOF demolished the two- storey house of 'Ala El Din Mustafa Tah in Al 'Essawiya village in Jerusalem; Moreover, the Municipality court forced Al 'Afeji family to demolish the wall surrounding their house in Al Masharef Mountain opposite to Hebrew University in Al Sheikh Jarah. Wafa+ Quds (Sep 13, 2005).
- The Israeli Ministry of Interior confiscated two caravans in Beit Hanina town which belong to Mufed Fayiq Al 'Ajooly after demolishing his house in Al Ashqariya neighborhood in Shu'fat north of Jerusalem conducted under the pretext of not having building permits. Quds (Sep 14, 2005).
- Digging activities of 12m depth are taking place under some Palestinian houses located in the old city of Jerusalem to reach Al Aqsa Mosque by the Israeli committee of 'Ateret Kohanim. Quds (Sep 17, 2005).
- The Israeli forces continued constructing part of the Segregation Wall in Al Shayah area in Ras Qubsa junction. Quds (Sep 21, 2005).
- The Israeli authorities hindered residents of Beit Ikxa village northwest of Jerusalem city from building new houses and to have any reclamation of their lands. Among the residents, Amjad Shehada is one of the affected owners. Wafa (Sep 23, 2005).
- The Israeli bulldozers started razing lands to construct the Ring road plan which connects 'Anata town with the south of the West Bank through Al 'Essawiya town. Quds (Sep 24, 2005).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the western wall of 'Anata secondary male school, causing severe damages. Quds (Sep 27, 2005).

Bethlehem

- The IOF handed residents of Al Khas and Al Nu'man military warnings to confiscate 43 dunums of lands at favor of constructing a trade passage and two other roads in the area. Wafa (Sep 3, 2005).
- The Israeli Forces demolished two containers in Al Khadr town south of Bethlehem city due to their location inside a an Israeli controlled area. Wafa (Sep 8, 2005).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed 50m² of land planted with Palms near Beit Jala town. Lands belongs to Khaled Musa Sbeih. Quds (Sep 9, 2005).
- The Israeli authorities handed out residents of Beit Jala city a new military order # (T/ 157/5) to confiscate 21 dunums of lands to construct part of the

- Segregation Wall in the area. As a result, more than 500 dunums will be segregated behind the wall. Wafa (Sep 16, 2005).
- Settlers of Efrat settlement put fire into 40 Vine trees in Al Khadr village south of Bethlehem city which belong to Musa 'Ayish. Wafa (Sep 17, 2005).
 - About twelve Israeli settlers aggressed on some lands in Husan village near Betar settlement to the west of Bethlehem city. Quds (Sep 18, 2005).
 - The Israeli Military Civil Administration and the Israeli settlers handed out resident Muhammad Ahmad Hussein Sbeih a military warning to stop the reclamation of his lands located in Wad Al Ghueit area west of Al Khadr village south of Bethlehem city. Wafa (Sep 22, 2005) .
 - The Israeli forces closed three Islamic societies in Bethlehem city for further notice. The societies are: The Islamic Youth Society, The Islamic charity committee and Al Quran & Al Suna library. Wafa (Sep 28, 2005).
 - The Israeli authorities issued a new military order # (T/145/05) to take over 1 dunum and 500m of land located in Block 28029, Parcels 25-27 and owned by the inheritances of Elias Anastas at the northern entrance of Bethlehem city. The order came at favor of constructing a Car Park on the land already segregated by the Construction of the Segregation Wall. It is worth mentioning that the IOF almost completed the construction of the Bethlehem northern passage which will be designated for tourists, religious and diplomatic missions, whereby Palestinians will have to go through a new gate located 200m east of the passage. Quds (Sep 29, 2005).

Tubas

- The Israeli authorities issued military orders to take over vast areas of lands on the entrance of Bardala village in the Northern Valleys, mainly in Block 127, Parcel 52 at favor of constructing either a military base or a checkpoint. Wafa (Sep 13, 2005).
- An Israeli settler from Rotem settlement aggressed on Palestinian lands in the northern valleys east of Tubas city and constructed a tent on the land after razing and hedging it with barbed wires. Quds (Sep 16, 2005).
- The IOF continued their construction activities at Al Hamra checkpoint in the northern valleys by constructing new cement blocks in the area. Wafa (Sep 20, 2005).
- The Israeli settlers hindered the Palestinian shepherds in Sahl Al Beqay'a area east of Tubas from accessing their lands. Wafa (Sep 22, 2005).

Salfit

- The Israeli bulldozers continued razing lands south of Deir Ballut checkpoint west of Salfit district at favor of expanding it. Wafa (Sep 5, 2005).
- The Israeli authorities are willing to construct 3000 new housing units in Ariel settlement north of the West Bank. Arabs48+ Quds (Sep 5, 2005).
- The Israeli authorities requested for historical sites west of Bed'iel settlement established on lands confiscated from Deir Ballut town and uprooted 60 Olive trees owned by Taysser Rushdi Jabara, Rashid Jabara, Idres Jabara, Ahmad Zaki and Khalil Muhammad. Wafa (Sep 11, 2005).
- The Israeli Minister of Defense Shaul Mofaz announced his intentions to construct a new colonial neighborhood west of Ariel settlement at favor of expanding the settlement's borders. Quds (Sep 24, 2005).

Ramallah

- The IOF closed the entrance of Al Mugheir village near Ramallah with 3 meters high barbed wires and hindered the Palestinian landowners from accessing their lands. Quds (Sep 9, 2005).
- New expansion activities are taking place in settlements of the West Bank such as 'Eli settlement north of Ramallah city. Wafa (Sep 18, 2005).
- The IOF hindered Palestinian residents of Bal'in village west of Ramallah from accessing their lands for the Olive Harvest Season. Wafa (Sep 30, 2005).

Jenin

- The IOF razed about 30 dunums of pre-confiscated lands north of Tura Al Gharbiya village west of Jenin and added a number of caravans to the land, supplied it with electricity and hedged it with barbed wires to construct a military base. Lands belong to Daoud Othman 'Abadi, Salim and Tawfiq Qabha. Quds (Sep 21, 2005).
- The Israeli troops constructed three iron gates along with two checkpoints on Jenin-Tulkarm road near Ya'bud town west of Jenin city. One iron gate along with a checkpoint were constructed south of Ya'bad town, at Mevo Dotan junction; the second gate was established on the western entrance of ya'bad town; while the third gate along with the second checkpoint

were constructed on Harmesh settlement Junction near Farasin area west of the Ya'bad town on Jenin- Tulkarm road. Wafa (Sep 24, 2005).

- The IOF dynamited the 150 m² house owned by Kamal Kamel Abu Zeid in Qabatiya town south of Jenin city, displacing 8 Palestinian dwellers. Wafa (Sep 27, 2005).

Hebron

- The IOF constructed several numbers of Caravans in the old city of Hebron and in Al Sahla area. Quds (Sep 1, 2005).
- The IOF took over the house of Amjad Daoud Al Rajaby in the old city of Hebron and turned it into military barrack. Wafa (Sep 3, 2005).
- Israeli settlers of Qiryat Arba' attempted to construct new outpost in Wad El Nasara neighborhood in Hebron city on a pre-confiscated land owned by Mahmoud Al Bewaty Jaber. Wafa (Sep 5, 2005).
- [Katz Israel](#), the Israeli Minister of Agriculture and rural development announced his intention to take over 15,000 dunums of lands south of Hebron Mountain under the claim that the lands are classified as "State lands". Quds (Sep 8, 2005).
- The IOF issued two new military orders to confiscate 578 dunums of lands in Beit Ummar, Surif, Safa and Al Jab'a to construct new parts of the Segregation Wall on the aforementioned villages' lands. The military order # (T/133/05) will confiscate an area of 466 dunums of lands (4680m long, 100m width) from Beit Ummar and Safa in Block 2; lands belong to the families of Abu 'Ayash, Al 'Alamy, Al Za'a'iq, Al Sabarneh, Al Slaiby, 'Adi, Khalil and Abu Maria. While military order # (T/131/05) will confiscate an area of 113 dunums (1156m long and 100m width) in Surif and Al Jab'a villages. Quds (Sep 11, 2005).
- The IOF took over three houses in Hebron city and turned them into military barracks. Houses belong to Jalal 'Eid Al Salaymeh, Muhammad Zein Hamdi Qfaysheh (Three-storey house) and Majed Higazi. Quds (Sep 13, 2005).
- The Israeli authorities issued military orders to confiscate 600 m² of lands planted with Olives and Almonds in Al Buwereh area northeast of Hebron city to construct new military base in the area. Lands belong to Wahbi Sultan family. Wafa (Sep 15, 2005).
- Five Israeli families took over a Palestinian house in Tel Al Rumeida area to increase the number of Israeli families living in the area to 20. Arabs48 (Sep 16, 2005).

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- The IOF closed the entrance of Al Shalaleh Street in middle Hebron city and the entrance of Al Fuwwar camp south of the District with cement blocks. Wafa (Sep 17, 2005).
- The IOF expanded the colonial road which connects Qiryat Arba' settlement with the Ibrahimy Mosque in Hebron city. Quds (Sep 17, 2005).
- The IOF took over the houses of 'Abed El Halim Mustafa Shahin (Three-storey house) and Thalgi Al Qawasime in Al Hawouz and Al Jami'a neighborhood in Hebron city and turned them into military barracks. Wafa (Sep 20, 2005).
- The IOF took over the house of Fayez Muhammad Badawy Al Sewaity in Beit 'Awwa town to the southwest of Hebron and turned it into military watch point. Wafa (Sep 21, 2005).
- The Israeli troops aggressed on houses owned by Iyad Rajeh Jaber, Hamouda Jaber and Fayuez Jaber near Al Kasara area near Qiryat Arba' settlement east of Hebron city, and caused severe damages to the properties. Wafa (Sep 22, 2005).
- The IOF incurred into four schools in the villages of Al Ramadin, 'Arab Al Frehat and 'Enab El Kabera south of Hebron city and hindered more than 25 teachers from reaching the schools. Wafa (Sep 25, 2005).
- The Israeli authorities handed residents Basam Yousef Al Masharqa, Majeda Isma'il Al Talahma, 'Abed El Rahim Muhammad Al Talahma and Jawhar Nasar Al Shahatet in Al Burj village southwest of Hebron city military warnings to stop constructing their houses under the pretext of not having building permits. Wafa (Sep 30, 2005).

Nablus

- The IOF demolished two stores in Hares village in Nablus which belong to Muhammad Amin and his brothers under the pretext of not having building permits. Al Ayam (Sep 1, 2005).
- The IOF took over the two-storey house of Farouq Hasan in Bizariya village northwest of Nablus city and turned them into military post. Wafa (Sep 6, 2005).
- Settlers of Ariel settlement freed pigs into some Palestinian lands in Salfit city planted with Mint, Tomato's, Vine, Figs and Wheat and destroyed the cultivations. Among the owners, the following were known: Othman Balasima and Ahmad Al Dims. Quds (Sep 18, 2005).
- The Israeli forces handed more than 30 residents in Al Naqura village near Nablus military warning # (5/149) to take over tens of dunums of lands

cultivated with Olives and Almonds in Block 12 near the settlement of Shavei Shomron; whereby, the IOF also razed and hedged some lands located at the entrance of Sabastiya village on the way leading to Deir Sharaf- Tulkarm- Nablus and hindered the Palestinian owners from accessing their lands. Quds (Sep 24, 2005).

Tulkarm

- The IOF staged into Deir Al Ghusun town in Tulkarm and took over the house of Basil Gabsha and turned it into a military barrack. Al Ayam (Sep 1, 2005).
- The Israeli bulldozers continued razing lands and uprooting trees in western Fir'un lands which belong to 'Abed El Karim Omar, 'Abe El Rahim Omar, 'Abe El Fatah Omar and Fir'un village council to erect a 1 kilometer long and 25m width road in the area. Quds (Sep 4, 2005).
- The IOF dynamited a store owned by Ja'far Hasan Asia in 'Atil town in Tulkarm; In addition, the Israeli bulldozers razed lands around Avne Hefetz settlement east of Tulkarm. Quds (Sep 7, 2005).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed lands planted with Olives, Almonds and Figs in the southwestern part of Kafr Al Lubad village near Avne Hevetz settlement. Quds (Sep 11, 2005)

Jericho

- The IOF demolished 19 barracks-houses in Faroush Beit Dajan, Al Jiftlik and Fasayel villages; it is worth mentioning that the Israeli authorities hindered Palestinian residents from building in the area. Quds (Sep 10, 2005).

Gaza

- The Israeli bulldozers razed lands in Al Farahin area in 'Abasan El Saghera east of Khan Yunis south of the Strip at favor of erecting new road near the eastern borders of the Gaza Strip. Wafa (Sep 8, 2005).
- The IOF demolished two houses owned by Majed Al 'Adeni and Nadia Al 'Adeni in Deir El Balah near Kfar Darom settlement and caused severe damages to another 5 houses owned by the family. Wafa (Sep 11, 2005).

- The Israeli Ministry of Defense announced lately that Israel is willing to establish a 650m width security zone north of the Gaza Strip. Quds (Sep 17, 2005).
- Israel is constructing a new checkpoint which was supplied with very developed equipments and expected to be ready within few months at favor of preventing Palestinians from reaching the nearby Israeli towns such as: Nativ Ha'asara, Erez, Nir 'Am, Mivelsim, Kfar 'Aza, Ba'ere, 'Ein Hashlosha and Nir Oz. Quds (Sep 19, 2005).
- The Israeli Minister of Interior decided to transfer the checkpoints of Erez, Karni, Sufa and Kerem Shalom south of the Gaza Strip to passages; moreover the Passengers will need to get a visa in order to access the Strip. Arabs48 (Sep 21, 2005).
- The IOF shelled "Al Taghred" cultural institution in Beit Hanun town north of the Strip with a house owned by Qarmout family, causing sever damages. Wafa (Sep 25, 2005).
- The Israeli forces shelled on Dar Al Arqam School in Gaza causing severe damages to the properties. The total losses reached to \$ one million. Quds (Sep 26, 2005).
- The IOF shelled on the Palestinian areas in Gaza, demolishing houses and workshops, **among the owners known were:**
 - In the southern entrance of Beit Hanun town the IOF shelled a workshop owned by Khamis Hussein Al Magdalani, causing severe damages to a nearby Plastic factory.
 - In Rafah city the IOF caused severe damages to the house of Radi Riyadh Qeshta.
 - In Al Namsawi neighborhood in Khan Yunis the IOF demolished the house of Hisham 'Abed Rabou and caused severe damages to 6 nearby houses.
 - In Maan area east of Khan Yunis the IOF demolished a workshop and partially damaged a factory owned by Omran Khalil Omran.
 - In Askalona area east of Gaza city the Israeli forces caused severe damages to a workshop owned by the heirs of Musa Ahmad Sha'ban. Quds (Sep 27, 2005).
- The IOF demolished two bridges in Beit Hanun town, causing severe damages, whereby in Khan Yunis city the IOF demolished a money changer store owned by Al Basheti family. Quds (Sep 28, 2005).

Others

- The Israeli Forces handed residents of Al 'Atayqa family in Al Batel area south of Rahat village in the Negev seven demolition orders to demolish their houses. Wafa (Sep 5, 2005).
- The Israeli authority started constructing new housing complex called "Tzur Yitzhak" in Hasharon area on 610 dunums of lands on the Armistice line (Green line) near Tzur Natan village south of At Taibeh village inside the Israel. Quds (Sep 8, 2005).
- The Israeli Ministry of Housing is willing to construct new settlement for at least 400 religious families in the Negev similar to the dismantled Gush Qatif bloc in Gaza Strip. Arabs48 (Sep 10, 2005).
- Israel is willing to construct 33 passages in the West Bank and 2-3 in the Gaza Strip. Among the passages in the West Bank, the following are known: Hasam Tshub in the northern valleys, Al Jalma, Sh'ar Afraim north of the West Bank, Betunia, Qalandyia between Jerusalem and north of the West Bank, Shu'fat between Jerusalem and north of the West Bank, Az Z'ayim between Jerusalem and Ma'ale Adumim area, Mazmouria in Bethlehem, Gilo 300 checkpoint between Jerusalem and Bethlehem and Tarqumia south of the West Bank; whereby, the passages planned to be constructed in the Gaza Strip are: Erez, Nahal Oz, Karni, Sufa, Kerm Shalom and Rafah. Quds (Sep 10, 2005).
- The Israeli plan to construct the Segregation wall south of the West Bank will attach the natural reserves located near the Armistice line (Green line) into the Israeli borders. The Israeli authorities are currently working on part of the wall which is extending from Beit Yater area southeast of Hebron Mountain. According to the Israeli plan, the wall will extend from the east of Beit Yater to Yahuda desert. More natural reserves will be attached in the part extending between Jabal Khuld and the Dead Sea; whereby, the northern area of the desert in Wad El Qilt, Israel will erect new military roads instead of constructing a wall. Moreover, Israel resumed the construction of the wall around Gush Etzion bloc of settlements south of Jerusalem which will attach more natural reserves such as Abu Suda forest. Arabs48 (Sep 12, 2005).
- The Israeli Forces demolished a house and a building in Al Makamin village in the Negev south of Al Liqya village owned by Jamal Salim Al Treshat; whereby, the IOF also demolished a commercial store and a nursery in Tel El Sabi' village. Arabs48 (Sep 13, 2005).

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- The Outgoing Defense Ministry Director-General Amos Yaron said, 'the entire security fence, from the Tirat Zvi area in the north to the Mezudat Yehuda in the south will be finished by the end of the year within three to four months'. Ynet News (Sep 14, 2005).
- In a report issued by the Palestinian Ministry of Agriculture assured that the total losses of the agricultural sector since 30 Sep, 2004 till the end of August 2005, reached to \$ 344.606.63 . Quds (Sep 16, 2005).
- The Israeli Supreme Court agreed on resuming Wall constructions in the West Bank, isolating five more Palestinian villages. Quds (Sep 16, 2005).
- The Israeli authorities demolished four houses in the villages of Al Za'rorah, Al Bahira and Al Mazra'a in the Negev conducted under the pretext of being unlicensed. Houses belong to the families of Abu Judeh, Al Ghanamy and Al Kash-har. Wafa (Sep 19, 2005).
- The IOF demolished the house of Issam Ahmad Abu Sahab in Al Ramla city under the pretext of not having building permits. Wafa (Sep 20, 2005).
- Dayan the Israeli director of "Tifnet" movement suggested a plan to evacuate 32 Israeli settlements housing 20,000 Israeli settlers as a continuation to the disengagement policy implemented by Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory. Among the settlements, the following were known: Bigo Dotan, Yitzhar, Harmesh, Allon Moreh, Brakha, Itamar, 'Ali, Kfar Tafuh, Tequ', Nikodim, Emmanuel and Shavi Shomron. At the same time, Israel will have temporary borders containing the large Israeli settlement blocs in the West Bank such as Gush Etzion in Bethlehem, Ariel in Salfit and Ma'ale Adumim in Jerusalem. This plan will cost about NIS 16 Millard. Wafa (Sep 20, 2005).
- An Israeli plan called "Negev- 2015" to develop the Negev to increase the settlers' numbers in the coming 10 years. According to the plan, transportations will be developed to include the trans Samarian Street, a railway reaching Sedirot, a Tram reaching Ber Sheva' in the year 2008, a road to Demona and Eliat and other investments in the area. It is worth mentioning that about 100 of the evacuated families from Gaza Strip will be settled in the Negev during the coming days. Moreover the Israeli authorities constructed the new "Neve Poker" neighborhood in the southern Negev. Arabs48 (Sep 21, 2005).
- An Israeli plan to construct new settlement south of Bisan north of the Jordan Valley to settle Sherat Yam evacuees in the Gaza Strip. Quds (Sep 23, 2005).

- The Israeli government completed the construction of a new railway station for Ben Grion university students in Ber Sheva'. The railway was constructed over 700m² with a total cost of NIS 60 millions. Arabs48 (Sep 28, 2005).

District	Land Confiscated (Dunum)	Land Threatened (Dunum)	Uprooted Trees	Houses Demolished	Houses threatened to be demolished
Bethlehem	65	500	40	0	0
Jerusalem	144	0	0	3	1
Jenin	30	0	0	1	0
Tulkarm	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	0	0	0	0	0
Salfit	0	0	60	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	0	0	0	3	0
Qalqiliya	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	578	15000	0	0	4
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
Total	817	15500	100	7	5

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 Achronot.

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