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Jerusalem

- The IOF demolished the house of Halema Abu Reziq in 'Ein Al Luza in Silwan neighborhood north of Jerusalem. The demolition was carried out under the pretext of being unlicenced. Wafa (Jan 4, 2006). Click here for related cases
- The Israeli Ministry of Infrastructure staged into Hizma village north of Jerusalem city and closed six Gas Stations. Quds (Jan 4, 2006).
- Jerusalem Municipality demolished the under construction two-storey house of Osama Abu Khalaf in Beit Hanina neighborhood under the pretext of being for unlicensed; whereby, the four-storey building (1200 m² area) of Muhammad Mahmoud Al 'Amas in Al 'Aqaba neighborhood in Sur Baher is threatened of demolition for the same reason. Quds (Jan 4, 2006). Click here for related reports
- The Israeli Minister of Defense Shaul Mofaz decided to construct three parts of a temporary fence in east Jerusalem near the neighborhood of **Beir**

Nabala and Shu'fat refugee camp north and Sheikh Said neighborhood south. Wafa+ Al Jazeera (Jan 12, 2006).

- The Israeli bulldozers demolished three houses in Beit Hanina, Silwan and Jabal Al Mukabbir under the pretext of not having building permits. Among the owners, the following were known: Zakaria Muhammad Hagages (120 m²) and Ahmad 'Abed El Raziq (60 m²), Quds (Jan 17, 2006). Click here for related reports
- Jerusalem Municipality and the Israeli Ministry of Transportation announced lately their willing to construct eight new railways in Jerusalem where the first one will connect the Israeli settlements to the north of Jerusalem (Pisgat Zeev & Neve Ya'acov) with settlements to the west of Jerusalem, cutting Shu'fat city and isolating the heavy populated areas. Quds (Jan 18, 2006).
- A group of Israeli surveyors surveyed the 70m² of Hammam El 'Ein well owned by the Islamic Waqf in Al Wad Street opposite to Al Buraq entrance in the old city of Jerusalem. Quds (Jan 23, 2006).
- An Israeli plan to reroute part of the Segregation Wall in Beit Iksa village near Jerusalem at favor of closing all gabs in the wall to prevent Palestinian workers from accessing Israel; whereby other changes are going to take place around Ariel settlement bloc. Wafa (Jan 26, 2006).
- The IOF constructed new parts of the Wall in <u>Al Barid outskirt</u> north of Jerusalem city. Wafa (Jan 29, 2006).



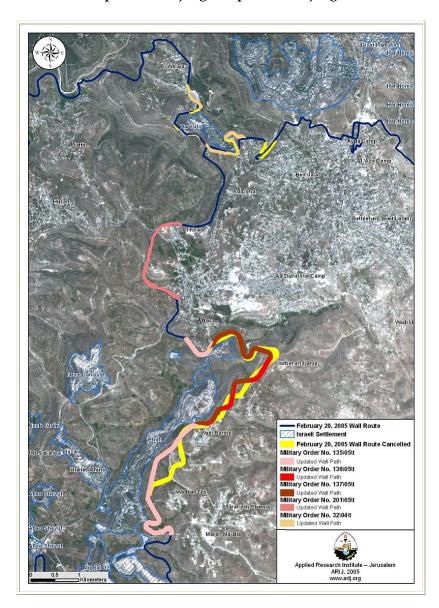
• Jerusalem Municipality charged resident Hussein 'Ezat Al Kiswani from Beit Hanina neighborhood a penalty of NIS 50,000 under the pretext of not having building permits for his two-storey house and gave him one week period to pay the penalty and get the license. It is worth mentioning the IOF demolished his house twice before for the same reason. Quds (Jan 31, 2006).

Bethlehem

- The Agricultural department in Bethlehem governorate announced that the total loses due to the Israeli violations in the Governorate during the fourth quarter of the year 2005, reached to \$ 194365. Wafa (Jan 2, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the two-storey house (150m²) of Salem Abu Reziq in 'Ein Juweza area in Al Walaja village west of Bethlehem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. Wafa (Jan 4, 2006).
- The Israeli Supreme Court issued an order to stop the construction of the 6 Km length Wall east of Efrat settlement which causes severe damages to the Palestinian villages of Umm Salamouna, Joret El Sham'a, Wad Rahal and Artas. Quds (Jan 5, 2006).
- The IOF demolished a Palestinian house in Bilal Bin Rabah area in Bethlehem city for military purposes, due to its closeness to the Segregation wall path. Wafa (Jan 16, 2005).
- The IOF staged into Al Fordais village southeast of Bethlehem city and demolished the 120 m² house of Ayman 'Alan Al Wahsh, 'Atif and Diab 'Ali Suman along with two Sheep barracks. Wafa (Jan 17, 2006).
- The Israeli troops demolished the house of Amena Daoud Khamis along with an agricultural house (120 m²) owned by Mariam 'Ali Al Wahsh in Job El Deeb village southeast of Bethlehem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. Wafa (Jan 17, 2006).
- The Israeli Supreme Court issued restraining order forbidding the construction of the Segregation Wall near Gosh Etzion bloc of settlements which was supposed to cut off the lands of Surif, Beit Ummar and Al Jab'a villages. Moreover, the Court also issued an order to prevent the construction of a passage in Al Jab'a village. Quds (Jan 21, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed about two dunums of land planted with Vine trees alongside road # 60 near <u>Al Khadr village south of Bethlehem city</u> which belong to Muhammad Salem Issa to erect a military road and to construct a fence (barbed wires) alongside road # 60. Wafa (Jan 31, 2006).

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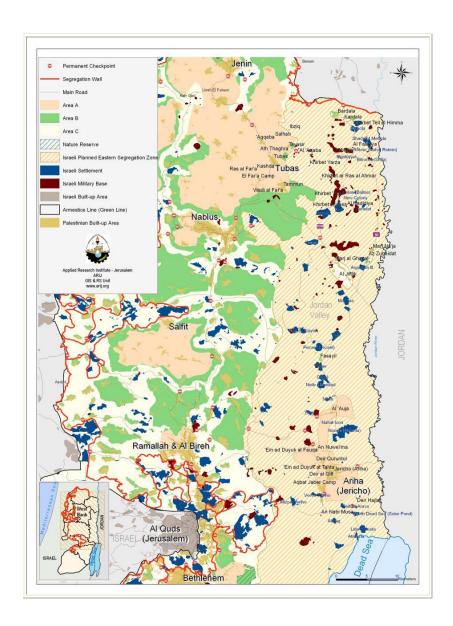


• The Israeli forces demolished two houses in 'Ein Juweza neighborhood in Al Walaja village northwest of Bethlehem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. Houses belong to Mahmoud Ahmad Al A'raj (140 m²) and Munther Hamad Al Mughraby (100 m²). Wafa (Jan 31, 2006).

Tubas

• The Israeli forces forced some residents of <u>'Ein El Bayda village in the northern valleys</u> to evacuate their places by force and go west behind Tayasser checkpoint under the pretext of not having identities to prove

their status as residents of the northern valleys. Wafa (Jan 1, 2006).



- The IOF hindered Palestinian landowners in Sahl Samra east of Tubas city from cultivating their agricultural lands under the threat of weapons. Wafa (Jan 1, 2006).
- Settlement Expansion activities are taking place in the eastern part of Kfar Sal'et outpost near 'Ein El Bayda village east of Tubas city. Wafa (Jan 2, 2006).

- The Israeli forces forced four Palestinian residents in Wadi El Maleh area east of Tubas city to evacuate their houses for not having identities to prove their status as residents of the area. Wafa (Jan 8, 2005).
- Settlement Expansion activities are taking place in the settlements of Mehola and Salit near 'Ein El Bayda village in the northern valleys. Wafa (Jan 30, 2006). Click here for related cases.

Salfit

• The Israeli authorities issued an order to confiscate 23 dunums of lands in Khirbet Dar Hamad in Burqin village in Salfit governorate to construct a military watch point. It is worth mentioning that ten days ago, the IOF issued another order to take over 10 dunums and 600m of lands of the village in the areas of Khirbet Qarqash and Khirbet Al Fekhar under the pretext of constructing a security fence on both sides of the colonial road near the village. Wafa (Jan 17, 2006).

Ramallah

- The Israeli Supreme Court rejected the appeal handed by residents of Beit Sira and Shuqba villages to stop wall constructions in Mod'in bloc area. Wafa (Jan 9, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers uprooted Olive and Almond trees owned by Ribhy Hussein Ghafry in Sinjel village and put fire into vast areas of lands in Al Rafid, Al Mu'azbat and Abu El 'Oun areas. Quds (Jan 9, 2006).

Jenin

- The IOF took over 20 houses in Jenin Camp after forcing all dwellers to evacuate their houses under the threat of weapons and turned them into military posts. Among the owners, the following were known were: Raja Abu El Hayga, Muhammad Al 'Ayasa, Naser Abu Ni'ma, Jamal Abu El Hayga, 'Abed El Salam Abu El Hayga, Muhammad Al 'Umary, Ghasan Al Sa'dy, Muhammad and Ahmad Abu El Hayga. Quds (Jan 4, 2006).
- The IOF demolished a two-storey residential building along with commercial stores in Jenin city north of the West Bank. Wafa (Jan 12, 2006).

- The IOF staged into Al Zahra and Al Suha neighborhoods in Jenin city and took over some houses and residential buildings, turning them into military posts. Wafa (Jan 15, 2006).
- The IOF demolished four Palestinian houses in Al Tayba and Daher El Maleh areas under the pretext of being built without licenses. Houses belong to Subhi Muhammad Khatib (150 m²), Jihad Wasfi Khatib, Ahmad Tawfiq Jabarin and Omar So'oud Jabarin (Two-storey house). Quds (Jan 20, 2006).

Jericho

The IOF handed warnings to close commercial stores in Al 'Auja village north of Jericho governorate for eight days. Among owners, the following were known: Naser 'Atta Shehada Rumanin, Rami Naser 'Atta Rumanin, Jum'a Ahmad Suleiman Frejat, Fayez Ahmad Salem M'ale, Mazen Ahmad Ibrahim Fregat, Hussein Muhammad Hasan Ma'ayda, Fahed Muhammad Hussein 'Ateyat, Faysal Hussein Salameh Najoum, Subhi 'Abed El Karim Sa'd Najoum, Yasser 'Abed El Rahman Sa'd Najoum, Salah 'Abed El Rahman 'Abed Allah Frejat, Ibrahim Ahmad I'shebat, 'Emad SuleimanMuhammad 'Ateyat and Osama Mefleh Rashed Sawafteh. Wafa+ Al 'Auja village council (Jan 3, 2006). Click here for related cases



Hebron

- The Israeli bulldozers uprooted more than 400 Olive trees in Al Sikka village near the Segregation Wall path southwest of Hebron. Among the owners, the following known were: the inheritance of Tah & Yousef Muhammad Ihshesh, the inheritance of Mahmoud Muhammad Ihshesh, the inheritance of Sa'ed & 'Abed El Qader 'Abed El Jawad Abu Samra, the inheritance of Khalil Hamd Allah Abu 'Eid & Ahmad Muhammad Abu 'Eid, the inheritance of Issa & Musa Iqtet with the families of Al Herebat and Al Nashawiya. Wafa (Jan 2, 2006).
- Excavation activities are taking place near Al Aqtab Mosque in the old city of Hebron following an attack by the Israeli settlers who took over the Mosque and transferred it into a military post and hindered Palestinian residents from reaching it. Wafa (Jan 2, 2006).
- The Israeli Civil Administration handed the Israeli settlers orders to evacuate the occupied <u>Palestinian commercial stores in Hebron city</u> due to the appeal handed to the Israeli Supreme Court by Hebron Municipality. It is worth mentioning that the commercial stores were occupied since year 2001. Arabs48 (Jan 3, 2006).
- The IOF took over the houses of Ahmad Al Khateb (Two-storey house), Mahmoud Ahmad Omar, Ayoub Is'efan Al Tarayra and Zeidan Al Badarin in the towns of Yatta, Bani Ni'am and Dura south and east of Hebron city and turned them into military barracks. Wafa (Jan 7, 2006).
- The Israeli forces constructed several numbers of caravans for the Israeli settlers in Al Bowera area east of Hebron city, on lands owned by Taysser 'Abed El Shakour Jaber and Musa 'Abed El Min'm Jaber. Quds (Jan 7, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers of Metzpe Lakesh hedged 150 dunums of lands owned by Kayed Shaker Al Suwaity west of Dura town at favor of attaching it to the outpost. Wafa (Jan 14, 2006).
- Israeli settlers of Bani Haver southeast of Bani N'aim town rebuilt the outpost after being dismantled two weeks ago by the Israeli forces. Wafa (Jan 14, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers put fire into at least 4 commercial stores owned by Hebron Municipality in the Old city of Hebron; In addition, settlers of Beit

Romano outpost put fire into a store and a house owned by Palestinians, causing severe damages to the properties. Wafa (Jan 15, 2006).

- The Israeli bulldozers razed more than 5 dunums of lands in Yatta town to expand "Tel Firsa" military base located in Ze'ev area east of the town. Quds (Jan 20, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed 150 dunums of lands planted with Olives in Beit Al Rewish village southwest of Hebron city which belonged to Muhammad Ahmad Isma'il Al Shawamreh. The land razing came at favor of establishing new outpost in the area. it is worth mentioning that the IOF also erected a road and constructed an electricity network on the lands of Omar and Al Shawamreh families. Wafa (Jan 29, 2006).
- The IOF took over the house of Ayoub Abu Hamdiya in Abu Senaneh neighborhood south of Hebron city and turned it into military post. Wafa (Jan 30, 2006).
- The IOF took over several numbers of houses in the towns of Dura, Adh Dhahiriya and Bani N'aim southeast of Hebron district and turned them into military posts. Among the owners, the following were known: Muhammad Al Huroub, Kawthar Al 'Awawdeh, Muhammad Suleiman Yunis Abu 'Alan, Ibrahim Suleiman 'Ayesh Shahen, Akram Khaled Abu 'Alan, Muhammad Hasan Shahen and Ahmad Muhammad Shahen. Wafa (Jan 31, 2006).

Nablus

- The Israeli Chief commander Ya'er Neve issued military order # (T/199/05) to take over 3000 dunums of lands in Blocks 12 and 15 in the areas of Ruwah, Marj Abu Qurwa, Mraj Subeih, Al Brens, Jabal Dalouk, Khlal Al Ghul and Al Tamshuna in 'Aqraba town south of Nablus city. Wafa (Jan 4, 2006).
- The Israeli forces demolished the house of Ayman Ahmad 'Iwas in Al Luban Al Sharqiya village south of Nablus city under the pretext of being unlicensed after forcing all dwellers to evacuate their house under the threat of weapons. Wafa (Jan 17, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the house of Mahmoud Musa Mahmoud in Qaryout village south of Nablus city under the pretext of not having building permits. Wafa (Jan 17, 2006).
- The Israeli forces constructed new cement blocks after razing lands around a checkpoint northwest of Nablus city; at the same time, the IOF

added two meters high blocks to Huwwara checkpoint in the southern entrance of Nablus city. Wafa+ Quds (Jan 29, 2006).

Tulkarm

• The IOF took over a store in 'Ezbat Shufa in Tulkarm city which belonged to Sameih Mer'i and turned it into military post. Wafa (Jan 1, 2006).

Gaza

- The Israeli Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz agreed on new military plans to invade the Gaza Strip. Wafa (Jan 1, 2006).
- The Israeli forces shelled on a Palestinian house owned by Hamduna family north of Beit Lahya city, causing severe damages. Quds (Jan 1, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers erected new road to the east of Al Burij Camp at favor of intensifying their military bases. Wafa (Jan 9, 2006).
- The Israeli Minister of Defense Shaul Mofaz announced that Israel may transfer Erez and Karni passages into international terminals. Quds (Jan 9, 2006).
- The Israeli authorities agreed on constructing new trade passage between Gaza Strip and Israel near Sofa passage. Quds (Jan 19, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed lands in Beit Hanoun north of the Gaza Strip and constructed two towers north of Beit Lahya city. Wafa (Jan 29, 2006).

Others

- Al Led Municipality issued an order to re-demolish the house of Zaher Al Khawaja after it was rebuilt days ago in Al Led city. Arabs48 (Jan 2, 2006).
- The United States of America is willing to grant Israel \$ 3.16 Milliard, where about \$ 240 millions will be transferred to the Israeli civil purposes, while the rest of the grant will be used as an encouragement to the Israeli immigration to the Palestinian Territory. Quds (Jan 14, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers invaded the Negev area and demolished 7 houses and commercial stores under the pretext of not being licensed. The houses and the stores belonged to Jum'a Abu Kahyoush, Khalil Al Hawashla, the families of Al 'Atayqa, Abu Naser, Al Shurabgy and Abu Salb; whereby, the IOF handed the Al Jarjawy family more than 40 military warnings at

favor of demolishing their houses along with a Mosque under the same pretext. Wafa (Jan 18, 2006).

- The Israeli authorities are planning to construct 5000 new housing units in the settlements of Betar 'Illit in Bethlehem (2000 housing units), Efrat in Bethlehem (750), Ma'ale Adumim in Jerusalem (500), Zufim in Qalqiliya (450) and Ariel in Salfit (350) during the current year 2006. Quds (Jan 18, 2006). Click here for related cases
- Al Led Municipality demolished the house of Abu 'Ilewa family in the old city of Al Led under the pretext of not being licensed. Wafa (Jan 30, 2006)

District	Land Confiscated (Dunum)	Land Threatened (Dunum)	Uprooted Trees	Houses Demolished	Houses threatened to be
	,	,			demolished
Bethlehem	2	0	100	7	0
Jerusalem	0	0	0	6	4
Jenin	0	0	0	7	0
Tulkarm	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	3000	0	0	2	0
Salfit	23	0	0	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	0	0	0	0	0
Qalqiliya	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	305	0	3400	0	0
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
Total	3330	0	3500	22	4

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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