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Bethlehem

- The Israeli bulldozers uprooted more than 20 Pine trees in the Islamic cemetery near Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque on the northern entrance of Bethlehem city. Wafa (Jun 6, 2007).
- The Israeli surveyors continued surveying lands for the construction of the Wall in Al Walaja village west of Bethlehem city. Wafa (Jun 7, 2007).
- The IOF aggressed on the house of Musa 'Abdeh in Al Fawaghra neighborhood in Bethlehem city and damaged properties. Al Ayam (Jun 8, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers without any pre-notification razed vast areas of lands in Al Rashayda village east of Bethlehem city. Quds (Jun 10, 2007).

- The Israeli Ministry of Antiquities is surveying lands in Al Walaja village west of Bethlehem city in order to prepare lands for the wall constructions. Quds (Jun 19, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of Tequ'a set fire into 300 dunums of lands in Tequ' village east of Bethlehem city causing the damage of 400 Olive trees. Wafa (Jun 23, 2007).

Hebron

- The Israeli troops invaded Adh Dhahiriya town south of Hebron city and aggressed on the Palestinian houses of Tal'at 'Aref Talab, Suleiman Al Samamra and Basam Sa'ed Al Hawi. Wafa (Jun 2, 2007).
- The IOF took over the two houses of 'Arafat Bayoud Al Tamemi and Abu Zeid in Hebron city and turned them into military watch point, in the time the IOF aggressed on the house of Saber Abu Sneyneh. Wafa (Jun 7, 2007).
- The evacuation the occupied Palestinian house which was named "The red house" and is located near the "prayers road" in Hebron was delayed. Quds (Jun 7, 2007).
- The IOF aggressed on the houses of Anis and Suleiman Daoud Al Khatib in Luza area west of Hebron city and damaged properties, in the time the Israeli troops penetrated Kharsa and Yatta villages and surrounded the houses of Basam Al Zard and Muhammad Abu Hmaid. Wafa (Jun 9, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces aggressed on the houses of Muhammad 'Adnan Abu Zalta and 'Abed Rabou Radwan Abu Zalta in Idhna town and caused severe losses. Wafa (Jun 10, 2007)
- The Israeli settlers aggressed on the Palestinian houses in Tel Al Rumeida neighborhood causing severe damages. Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces invaded Al 'Aroub camp north of Hebron city and aggressed on the houses. Among owners known: Muhammad Hamy Abu Ghazy, Nabil Saleh Abu Qana', Muhammad Yousif Abu Ghazy,

- Muhammad 'Ali Al 'Aza, Muhammad 'Abas Abu Raya, Haytham and 'Abed Allah Musa Al 'Alama. Wafa (Jun 11, 2007).
- The IOF aggressed on several numbers of Palestinian houses in Hebron city. Among the houses known were the houses of Martyr Yahya Isaac Al Ja'bary and Yacoub Al Za'arer. Wafa (Jun 11, 2007).
 - The Israeli security guarding Qiryat Arba' settlement in Hebron warned 'Abed El Hai and Jamel Abu Is'efan to demolish their 100 m² agricultural barrack located near the fence surrounding the settlement. Wafa (Jun 16, 2007).
 - The Israeli settlers took over 13 dunums of lands in Yatta town south of Hebron city which belong to Al Jabarin family. Moreover, the Israeli settlers of Ma'on closed the road between Khirbet Tuba and Al Tawani village and the road between Khirbet Susiya and the communities beside Susiya settlement. Wafa (Jun 23, 2007).
 - The Israeli settlers of Ramat Yashai set fire into 7 dunums of lands and caused the damage of 70 Olive trees and hundreds of Almond and Vine trees in Tel Al Rumeida neighborhood which belong to the inheritance of Ratib Salim Abu Haykal. Wafa (Jun 23, 2007).
 - The Israeli settlers of Hagai set fire into 15 dunums of lands planted with forest and fruitful trees and vast areas of lands planted with Wheat and Barley in Dura town south of Hebron city. Among owners known were Muhammad and Nimr Issa Dudin. Wafa (Jun 24, 2007).
 - The Israeli settlers under the cover of the IOF prevented Palestinian surveyors and landowners from accessing their lands near Susiya settlement in Yatta town south of Hebron city. Wafa (Jun 25, 2007).
 - The Israeli settlers of Susiya tried to take over 150 dunums of lands planted with Olives south of Yatta town which belong to Al Khalayla family. Wafa (Jun 26, 2007).
 - The Israeli troops set fire into 2000 Olive, Almond and vine trees in Zeev area southeast of Hebron city and belong to Khalil Muhammad Musa Makhamreh, 'Awny Al Jenaid, 'Abed El Salam Al Jenaid, Yaccoub Saleh,

'Abed El Salam AL Qawasmeh and Mustafa Al Jenaid. Wafa (Jun 27, 2007).

- The IOF constructed military watch point and a tower on Kharsa- Dura road junction south of Hebron city. Wafa (Jun 27, 2007).

Jenin

- The IOF took over several numbers of houses in addition to 'Ezat Abu Al Rab School in Qabatya town south of Jenin city and transferred them into military posts and hindered students from reaching their schools. Wafa (Jun 5, 2007).
- The IOF agressed on 30 houses in Qabatya town and demolished properties and stuff. Among owners known was Muhammad Mustafa Nazal. Quds (Jun 6, 2007).
- The IOF penetrated into Qabatya town south of Jenin and agressed on the houses of 'Abed El Salam Hanaysha, Muhammad Ikmel, Ahmad Nazal, Muhammad Ahmad Zakarneh, and 'Ala Zakarneh, Khalil Ikmel and Tayseer Zakarneh and forced dwellers to evacuate houses under the threat of weapons. Moreover the IOF handed families of wanted Palestinian men notices to demolish their houses if their sons do not hand themselves to the IOF. Wafa (Jun 7, 2007).
- The IOF erected temporary checkpoint on Jenin- Nablus road near the southern entrance of Beir Al Basha village and hindered Palestinian access. Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers staged into Jenin city and razed a road in the center of Jenin city, causing damages and losses. Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).
- The IOF took over a cement factory in Jenin city and transferred it into military watch point. Wafa (Jun 13, 2007).

- The Israeli settlers cut of the water networks supplying Silet Al Dhaher village in Jenin which caused severe shortage of water. Quds (Jun 16, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces set fire into agricultural lands in Al 'Arqa village to the west of Jenin city and caused the damage of 3000 Olive, 500 Figs, 500 Vine and 1500 Almonds. Wafa (Jun 16, 2007).

Jerusalem

- The Israeli bulldozers razed 6 dunums of land owned by the electricity company in Shu'fat camp to develop the existing checkpoint in the entrance of the camp. Quds (Jun 2, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers aggressed on the house of 'Abed El Karem Muqbil in Shu'fat, causing severe damages and losses. Quds (Jun 4, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers accompanied by Israeli Forces opened new door in a hall in Al Qarmy neighborhood in the old city of Jerusalem which was confiscated by the Israeli committee of "Ateret Leshona" . Quds (Jun 4, 2007).
- The IOF demolished the 120 meters house of 'Ali Muhammad Jum'a and the house of Jamel Ahmad Jamel Shqerat in Jabal Al Mukkabir claiming that the houses are located near the Wall's path and were built without licenses. It is worth pointing out that the house of his brother Shaker Muhammad Jum'a is threatened of demolition for the same pretext. Wafa+ Quds (Jun 11, 2007).
- The house of Faraj Al Malhy in Wadik Helwa in Silwan neighborhood is threatened to be confiscated by the Israeli committee of Al 'Ad under the pretext of being the real owners. Wafa (Jun 11, 2007).
- Of about 6000 Palestinian houses are threatened of demolition in Eastern Jerusalem for being built without licenses. Quds (Jun 14, 2007).

- The demolition of the Palestinian houses owned by Muhammad 'Eid Hadad and Ashraf Al Ja'bary in Jerusalem city was delayed for next year in order to start the procedures to issue building licenses during this period of time. Quds (Jun 16, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the three-storey building (560 m²) in Olive Mountain in Jerusalem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. The building is owned by Emad Al Mu'aqat and the total losses reached JD 100,000. Quds (Jun 20, 2007).
- Jerusalem Municipality issued an order to take over lands located in Blocks 3012 and 30124, Parcels 15, 40, 45, 39, 18, 17 and 22 in Wad Hilwa area in Silwan in order to use it as a car plot. Lands belong to Khalil Saleh 'abed El Rahman Al 'Abasy, Ahmad Suleiman Qara'in, Muhammad Ahmad Musa Al Agha, Mahud 'Atta Allah Lutfi, Hilweh Hussein, Khalil, Muhammad 'Atta Allah Lutfi and the Orthodox Patriarch. Quds (Jun 21, 2007).
- 'Ali Salah family (55 dwellers) is threatened of evacuation from their house in Beit Safafa neighborhood in Jerusalem because the Israeli settler Isaac Keflik claims his ownership of the house and lands. Quds (Jun 30, 2007).

Nablus

- The IOF demolished several numbers of houses and commercial stores in the old city of Nablus . Wafa (Jun 2, 2007).
- The IOF closed Al Bathan checkpoint east of Nablus city and hindered Palestinian access to and from the city, whereby Israeli Forces manning Yitzhar checkpoint south of the governorate also obstructed Palestinian access and forced them wait long hours under the sun. Wafa (Jun 3, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces aggressed on Beita market south of Nablus city and caused severe losses to the products and forced owners to evacuate the area under the threat of weapons. Wafa (Jun 4, 2007).

- The Israeli troops manning Al Bathan checkpoint hindered Palestinian access to and from the city of Nablus . Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces closed Jenin- Nablus main road and constructed temporary checkpoints north of the West Bank in order to provide security for Israeli settlers planning to march to the dismantled settlement of Homesh. Wafa (Jun 12, 2007).
- The Israeli troops closed the northern entrance of Nablus city and also erected temporary checkpoint near Al Serafi theme park on Nablus- Al Bathan checkpoint and detained cars and hindered Palestinian access to and from the city. Wafa (Jun 14, 2007).
- The IOF erected temporary checkpoint south of Nablus city on the main road near the junction of Yizhar settlement. Wafa (Jun 17, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers set fire into the harvested Wheat products owned by Muhammad 'Abed Allah Ahmad Ishtaya in Tel village southwest of Nablus city. Wafa (Jun 18, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of Yizhar south of Nablus city aggressed on the house of Rahma Al Najar in Burin village stole 40 sheep's and uprooted 10 Olive, Lemon and Fig trees. Quds (Jun 22, 2007).
- The Israeli troops detained Palestinian cars in the northeastern entrance of Nablus city by erecting temporary checkpoint and hindered Palestinian access. Wafa (Jun 26, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces staged into Nablus city and dynamited the Electricity Generator in Amman Street and caused damages to the commercial stores in the city. Wafa (Jun 28, 2007).
- The IOF destroyed the house of Abu Zuhri Al Safandi with a neighboring house in Al Nasr neighborhood in the old city of Nablus . Wafa (Jun 29, 2007).
- The IOF caused severe losses and damages to 40 Palestinian houses in the old city of Nablus in the last incursion in the city and took over 20 others turning them into military posts. Wafa (Jun 29, 2007).

Qalqiliya

- The IOF erected three checkpoints on the northern entrance of 'Azun town east of Qalqiliya city, near Al Nafaq crossing point south of the city and on the eastern entrance of Qalqiliya, hindering access to and from the city. Wafa & Al Ayam (Jun 5, 2007).
- The IOF erected four checkpoints in Qalqiliya governorate of which three of them were constructed between 'Azun town and Qalqiliya city and the fourth was constructed between the city and its southern villages. Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).

Ramallah

- The IOF set fire into tens of dunums of lands planted with Olives in Bil'in village west of Ramallah city which belong to Muhammad Ibrahim Abu Rahma, Saleh Al Khateb and his son Faysal. Wafa (Jun 1, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of Halmesh aggressed on the Palestinian landowners in Deit Nitham village north of Ramallah city and hindered them from reaching the water spring near the village. Wafa (Jun 2, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces manning 'Atara checkpoint north of Ramallah city detained Palestinians accessing the city for hours. Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).
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Salfit

- The Israeli settlers accompanied by the Israeli Forces penetrated into Kafal Haris town west of Salfit and aggressed on the Palestinian houses and properties. Wafa (Jun 8, 2007).
- The IOF closed the northern entrance of Marda town and hindered Palestinian access to and from the city. Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of Ariel set fire into 100 Olive trees in Kafal Haris town west of Salfit which belong to Na'im Rajeh Abu Yaccoub. Quds (Jun 12, 2007).
- The IOF handed out seven residents in Yasuf town east of Salfit military notices to stop the constructions of their houses preparing them for demolition. Houses belong to: Muhammad Yousef Qasem 'Ebaya, Basel Mefleh Reziq Yasin, Najeh Ibrahim Khalil Yasin, Ayoub Hassan Ayoub, Mash-hour Shaher Muhammad Yasin, Zakariya Shaher Muhammad Yasin, Na'em Ahmad Musa Hussein, Juhad Mahmud Falah 'Abed El Fatah and 'Abed Allah Met'ib 'Abed El Qader 'Abed El Fatah. Wafa (Jun 13, 2007).
- The Apples and prune trees were damaged in Salfit city by the pigs freed by the Israeli settlers of Ariel. Wafa (Jun 13, 2007).

Tulkarm

- The IOF closed the agricultural roads leading to the areas near the Segregation Wall in Deir Al Ghusun town with earth mounds and prevented landowners from reaching their lands. Quds (Jun 1, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of Haresh and Kibutz Mazr set fire into 200 dunums of lands in 'Akaba town north of Tulkarm city. It is worth pointing out that these dunums are already isolated by the Segregation Wall. Maan news (Jun 10, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers set fire into tens of Olive and Almond trees in Fir'un village south of Tulkarm and owned by Kamel 'Attiya and Abu Hadiya. Wafa (Jun 14, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers set fire into 200 dunums of agricultural lands planted with Olive trees in Fir'un village south of Tulkarm. Lands belong to the inheritance of Kamel 'Attiya Abu Hadya and 'Attiya 'Attiya Abu Hadya. Wafa (Jun 17, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces erected temporary checkpoint on Far'un village junction south of Tulkarm city and abstracted the Palestinian movement in and out of the city. Wafa (Jun 23, 2007).
- The Israeli forces closed the road leading to the dumping site in Deir Al Ghusun town north of Tulkarm with earth mounds and road blocs. Wafa (Jun 26, 2007).

Tubas

- The IOF set fire into more than 1000 dunums of lands in the grazing areas east of Tubas city in the northern valleys and cut electricity from 23 villages and towns in the area due to the Israeli militarized activities in the area. Wafa (Jun 5, 2007).

- The Israeli Forces imprisoned more than forty of Palestinian workers inside small room on an Israeli checkpoint near the valleys area north of the West Bank . Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).
- For the second week on row that IOF continued their militarized activities in Al Sefouh area east of Tubas. Wafa (Jun 13, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces erected temporary checkpoint on the main road south of Tubas city and detained Palestinian cars for hours. Wafa (Jun 16, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of Rotem hedged vast areas of agricultural lands in Wadi Al Maleh area in the northern valleys with barbed wires in an attempt to attach lands to the settlement borders. Quds (Jun 22, 2007).
- The IOF closed Al Hamra checkpoint in the valleys and prevented the Palestinian access. Wafa (Jun 25, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces staged into Tubas city and surrounded the Palestinian police headquarter in the southern neighborhood. In addition the IOF also erected temporary checkpoint on the road connecting Tubas city with Tamun. Wafa (Jun 27, 2007).

Gaza

- The Israeli forces shelled a residential target in Al Satr Al Gharbi area north of Khan Yunis city. Wafa (Jun 1, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers staged into the east of 'Izbat 'Abed Rabou in Jabalya camp and north of Beit Lahya and razed agricultural lands. Quds (Jun 1, 2007).
- The IOF staged into Sufa passage southeast of the Strip and took over the houses of Mu'amar and 'Ashour families turning them into military barracks. Whereby, the Israeli bulldozers razed lands planted with Vegetables and fruitful trees owned by Abu 'Amar Al Za'anin in Al Farta area, causing losses and damages and completely demolished two houses and caused damages to seven others. Quds & Al Ayam (Jun 5, 2007).

- The Israeli bulldozers razed about 50 dunums of agricultural lands in Sufa area and destroyed all water, electronic and sewage networks. Quds (Jun 6, 2007).
- The Israeli authorities and for the fifth day on row closed Al 'Awda passage in Rafah. Al Ayam (Jun 6, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces set fire into vast areas of lands planted with forest trees northeast of Beit Hanun town. Al Ayam (Jun 8, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers invaded east of Rafah city south of the Strip, took over three houses transferring them into military posts and razed agricultural lands. Wafa (Jun 9, 2007).
- The IOF destroyed a lethal workshop owned by Al Namnam family in Al Sheikh Radwan neighborhood north of Gaza city and caused damages to the nearby houses. Wafa (Jun 10, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces penetrated into Al Nahda neighborhood searched Palestinian houses owned by Abu Sneineh, Abu Al Rus and Al 'Arja families in the time the Israeli bulldozers razed vast areas of agricultural lands. Quds (Jun 10, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers penetrated into the east of Deir El Balah city searched houses and razed agricultural lands. Quds (Jun 16, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed 12 dunums of lands planted with Vegetables in Al Qarara village south of the Gaza Strip. Quds (Jun 22, 2007).
- The Mayor of Gaza Municipality Dr. Majed Abu Ramadan assured that the losses of the Municipality due to the Israeli practices in the area since 2004 until today reached to \$ 30 millions. Quds (Jun 24, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers staged and under heavy barrage of gunfire into Al Nahda neighborhood east of Rafah city and razed vast areas of agricultural lands and erected earth mounds in the area. Quds (Jun 24, 2007).
- An Israeli old new plan to erect 1.5 kilometers width security zone alongside the Palestinian borders in the Gaza Strip. Arabs48 (Jun 28, 2007).

- The IOF destroyed a lethal workshop in Salah El Din Street in Al Maghazi camp. Wafa (Jun 30, 2007).

Others

- The Mayor of Jerusalem liplenski and the Israeli minister of transportation decided to specialize NIS 160 millions to make a better infrastructure for the roads and in east Jerusalem and they also agreed on constructing new highway to enter to Jerusalem city from road # 1. Quds (Jun 2, 2007).
- The Right-wing activists and settlers plan to hold a mass rally next week with the army's permission in Homesh – the dismantled settlement in the West Bank . The Yesha Council has taken the unusual step of calling for the rebuilding of evacuated settlements in the West Bank and Gaza.Haaretz (Jun 4, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces demolished four houses owned by Sabri Suleiman Abu Ghanema, Ibrahim Suleiman Abu Ghanema and Zayed Hussein Abu Ghanema in Khashm Zena village in the Negev . It is worth pointing out that each house has an area of 120 m². Wafa (Jun 6, 2007).
- The Israeli committee Amna is currently constructing 130 housing units in the settlements of the West Bank: 30 settlements in Allon near Jerusalem and 100 units in the settlements of Yaker, Rebaba and Karne Shomron. Arabs48 (Jun 6, 2007).
- The Israeli Ministry of interior and yourahim municipality issued 16 notices to demolish houses owned by Zanun family in Rakhma village in the Negev . Wafa (Jun 11, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the three-storey house of Ahmad Al 'Ebra in Al Jawaresh neighborhood in Al Ramleh city claiming that the house was built without permits. Wafa (Jun 12, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished two houses owned by Muhammad 'Ali Tarabin Al Sane' in the Negev for not being licensed. Arabs48 (Jun 13, 2007).

- The Israeli Forces and by force evacuated the villagers of 'Attira village in the Negev and demolished their houses, claiming that they are living on lands owned by the Israeli authorities. Wafa (Jun 25, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers in the agricultural town Moshav "Ner Tzvi" constructed a concrete fence separating them from the Arabic neighborhood "Bardies Shneur" in Lud city. Quds (Jun 26, 2007).
- The Israeli authorities are planning to construct 140 housing units near the Dead Sea in order to encourage settlers to settle in the area by giving each family a free land to construct their homes on them. In addition the Israeli authorities are constructing similar projects in the northern areas in Ras Al Naqura. Quds (Jun 26, 2007).
- The IOF demolished 25 Palestinian houses in Umm AL Hayran village in the Negev and confiscated properties. Maan news (Jun 27, 2007).
- Prime Minister Ehud Olmert is planning to initiate the evacuation of illegal outposts in the West Bank in the coming months. Haaretz (Jun 28, 2007).

District	Land Confiscated (Dunum)	Land Threatened (Dunum)	Uprooted Trees	Houses Demolished	Houses Threatened of Demolition
Bethlehem	0	0	420	0	0
Jerusalem	6	0	0	5	1
Jenin	0	0	5500	0	0
Tulkarm	0	0	4000	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	0	0	10	2	0
Salfit	0	0	100	0	7
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	62	0	0	2	0
Qalqilyia	0	0	0	0	0

Hebron	13	150	2070	0	0
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
Total	81	150	12100	9	8

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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