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Bethlehem

- The Israeli settlers inaugurated a 6 kilometers road that connects Herodian settlement blocs east of Bethlehem city with Gush Etzion settlement bloc and Jerusalem city. The IOF also erected a number of checkpoints and three military watch points. Quds (Sep 1, 2007).
- The Israeli Army handed out residents of Al Khas and An Nu'man east of Beit Sahour a new military order to confiscate 22 dunums of lands of the two communities to expand Mazmuria Commercial Terminal. Quds (Sep 2, 2007). [Click here for more information](#)
- The IOF demolished two agricultural rooms and barracks (50 m² area each) in Rakhma village east of Bethlehem city owned by Tayseer Abu Mifrih and 'Ali Muhammad Abu Mifrih. Wafa (Sep 11, 2007).

- The Israeli authorities handed out residents of Al Khadr and Artas villages a new military order # (T/29/07) to confiscate 322 dunums of lands to construct a section of the Segregation Wall. Lands lie in Blocs 2 and 8. Wafa (Sep 18, 2007). [Click here for more information](#)
- Several numbers of Israeli settlers and under the IOF protection took over Khalet Al Qutin area in Wad Rahal village south of Bethlehem city. Wafa (Sep 30, 2007).

Ramallah

- The Israeli High Court of Justice ordered to re-route 1.7 kilometers wall section built on lands of Bil'in village west of Ramallah city due to the appeals filed to the court by residents of the village. Haaretz (Sep 4, 2007).
- The Israeli High Court of Justice rejected petitions filed by residents of the Palestinian village of Bil'in demanding that the housing units built in Mattityahu settlement East to be torn down because permits allowing the building had been issued illegally. Jpost (Sep 6, 2007).
- The IOF erected temporary checkpoints along Jenin- Ramallah road and hindered Palestinian access from north of the West Bank to its central. Wafa (Sep 15, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces took over the two-storey house of Muhammad Ahmad Zeidan in Deir Istya village north of Salfit village and turned it into military barrack. Quds (Sep 18, 2007).

Jenin

- The Israeli Forces erected two temporary checkpoints on the eastern entrance of Fahma village southwest of Jenin city and another two near 'Aja village on Nablus road and the Arab- American University east of the city, causing delays to people hiding to their destinations. Wafa (Sep 2, 2007).

- The IOF surrounded the house of Ahmad Jum'a Abu Ghali in the eastern neighborhood in Jenin city and forced all dwellers to evacuate the house under the threat of weapons. Wafa (Sep 6, 2007).
- The IOF took over several numbers of houses in the eastern neighborhood of Jenin and forced dwellers to evacuate the houses under the threat of weapons. Among owners known were Yousef Abu Ghali and Abu Mazen Abu Hatab. Quds (Sep 16, 2007).

Jerusalem

- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the house of Mustafa Mahmud Al Sherif (180 m²) in Beit Hanina in Jerusalem city under the pretext of being close to an Israeli bypass road connecting Jerusalem city with Tel Aviv and hindered family to salvage any of their belongings. In addition the IOF demolished another house owned by Randa Musa Hamed Al Sherif (170 m²) in Beir Nabala for being unlicensed as they claim. Wafa & Quds (Sep 3, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the two- storey house (300 m²) of Zakariya Al Natsha, the two- storey house and the farm of Jadu' Jhalil Qabu'a Kirshan in 'Anata town for not being licensed. Quds (Sep 5, 2007).
- The Israeli military activities done by the Israeli Forces caused the damage of trees and the destruction of the historical sites in Jerusalem Mountains . Quds (Sep 7, 2007).
- The Israeli troops aggressed on the house of 'Ali Muhammad 'Ayed 'Ibediya in Imleson neighborhood south of Jerusalem and caused severe damages. Quds (Sep 9, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces broke into the village council of Beir Nabala in Jerusalem governorate and confiscated computers and files. Wafa (Sep 9, 2007).
- The Israeli committee for planning and construction in Jerusalem Municipality agreed on the construction of the new bridge of Al Maghariba gate. Quds (Sep 11, 2007).

- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the barracks and tents owned by Muhammad, Suleiman, Yousef, 'Ali, Yousef, Muhammad and Khalil Abu Dahouk in 'Anata village northeast of Jerusalem city, causing loses. Wafa (Sep 11, 2007).
- The Israeli committee for planning and construction is planning to construct a medical research center on 5, 2 dunums of lands in the western slopes of Olives Mountain in Jerusalem . This centre will contain laboratories, library, meeting rooms and residential buildings. Quds (Sep 13, 2007)
- Jerusalem and Ma'ale Adumim Municipalities are planning to relocate the garages in the industrial zone of Tal Biyout to the area at the entrance of Pisgat Zeev settlement near 'Anata. Quds (Sep 13, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces invaded the two residential buildings (4 apartments) owned by Sinan Faraj in Silwan in Jerusalem city and caused damages to the properties claiming that the Israeli committee Yad Tuva Yaffa own the house. Quds (Sep 24, 2007).
- The Jerusalem Municipality will construct 1,900 new apartments in the east Jerusalem neighborhood of Isawiya in an effort to improve the quality of life for Palestinians of the city. The new flats will be constructed on a 1,580 dunums. Jpost (Sep 25, 2007).
- Jerusalem Municipality gave the Israeli settlers occupying the house of Al Kurd family in Al Sheikh Jarah in Jerusalem three months to evacuate the house. Quds (Sep 26, 2007).
- The Israeli authorities inaugurated an Israeli synagogue under Al Aqsa Mosque near the western wall. Wafa (Sep 26, 2007).

Nablus

- The Israeli Forces staged into Nablus and Balata refugee camp and set fire into three- storey house owned by Abu Ghush family causing severe loses. Wafa (Sep 5, 2007).

- The Israeli Forces broke into Yazur charity committee in Balata refugee camp east of Nablus city and confiscated all files and documents. Wafa (Sep 5, 2007).
 - The Israeli Forces manning Huwwara checkpoint hindered Palestinians under the age of 35 years old from accessing the checkpoint and also hindered residents coming from the northern governorates from reaching Ramallah city. Wafa (Sep 6, 2007).
 - The Israeli Forces restricted Palestinian access through the Israeli checkpoints surrounding Nablus city. Wafa (Sep 20, 2007).
 - The Israeli Forces invading 'Ein El Ma' refugee camp closed all entrances of the camp with earth mounds and took over houses turning them into military posts forcing all dwellers to stay in one room. Quds (Sep 20, 2007).
 - The IOF demolished the houses of Amjad, Samer, Ahmad and 'Abed Allah Mabrouk in 'Ein Al Ma' refugee camp. Quds (Sep 21, 2007).
 - The Israeli settlers of Ariel freed pigs on the Palestinian agricultural land in the springs area in Salfit causing severe loses to the lands. Maan news (Sep 22, 2007).
 - The IOF caused severe damages to the five- storey building owned by Abu Naser Mabrouk in 'Ein El Ma' and took over houses turning them into military barracks. Among owners known were Bardiya Abu El Rish and 'Abed El Fatah Abu 'Abiya. Quds (Sep 22, 2007).
 - The Israeli Army staged into Amman Street and Ras Al 'Ein neighborhood searched the residential buildings of Druza, Abu Mighly and Kusa destroying properties and causing damages. Quds (Sep 24, 2007).

Gaza

- The Israeli bulldozers staged into the east of Jabalya and south of Beit Hanun searched houses and razed agricultural lands, electronic poles and phone networks, causing severe damages. Wafa (Sep 5, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces staged into Al Qarara town north of Khan Yunis city and razed vast areas of agricultural lands planted with Olives and Almonds. Wafa (Sep 6, 2007).
- The governor of Khan Yunis assured that the total loses of the governorate due to the Israeli incursions during the last three months reached to \$ four millions as the Israeli Army partially demolished 70 houses and uprooted 5000 fruitful trees. Wafa (Sep 10, 2007).
- The Israeli Army shelled on the house of Iyad Abu El Qumsan in Beit Lahya town north of the Strip causing damages to the house. Maan News (Sep 11, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers invaded Beit Hanun and Jabalya towns north of the strip and razed vast areas of agricultural lands. Wafa (Sep 15, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed vast areas of lands in Al Farta area in Beit Hanun, destroyed water wells, roads and agricultural nurseries. Wafa (Sep 16, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces took over the house of Sharab family in Sufa passage area north of Rafah and tuned it into military post. Quds (Sep 18, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed lands and uprooted Olive and Almond trees in Juhr El Deik area east of Al Burij refugee camp. Wafa (Sep 20, 2007).
- The Israeli Army invaded Beit Hanun town north of the Strip and destroyed a house owned by Abu Jarad family. Quds (Sep 27, 2007).
- According to the weekly report done by the Palestinian Center for Human Rights (PCHRGAZA) assured that the IOF razed 258 dunums of agricultural land and demolished 23 houses in the Gaza Strip during the last incursion to the strip last week. PCHRGAZA (Sep 29, 2007).

Tubas

- The Israeli Army constructed hundreds of tents in 'Ein Al Hilwa, Al Maleh and Al 'Aqaba areas in the northern valleys and started their military activities, causing panic to the Palestinian residents in the area. Wafa (Sep 5, 2007).

Hebron

- The IOF constructed new military watch tower in Farsh Al Hawa area in the western part of the city. In addition the IOF closed the road junction connecting road # 35 and the road leading to Beir Al Mahjar area and the city center by constructing an iron gate controlled by the Israeli troops. Wafa (Sep 9, 2007).
- The Israeli Forces surrounded Al Ansar Mosque in Al Salam Street in Hebron city and forced all to evacuate it. In addition the IOF searched the house of Khaldoun Al Natsha in Ras Al Jura area north of Hebron city and caused damages. Wafa (Sep 10, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of Abraham Aveno took over Al Aqtab Mosque in the old city of Hebron which was closed since 1994 by an Israeli military order and started new constructions on its surface in order to expand the outpost. Wafa (Sep 11, 2007).
- The IOF broke into the house of Nader Muhammad Sleimiya in Idhna town west of Hebron governorate and caused damages to the furniture. Wafa (Sep 11, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed lands between the settlements of Karmi Zur and Qiryat Arba' in Halhul town in an attempt to construct new electricity network. Quds (Sep 12, 2007).
- The Israeli authorities issued military order to close the Ibrahim Mosque in Hebron city for 10 days due to the Israeli celebrations. Quds (Sep 17, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of Karmel west of Arab Al Ka'abneh southeast of Hebron city aggressed on the 500 dunums of the agricultural reserve

owned by 'Arab Al Hathalin and caused loses and damages. Quds (Sep 20, 2007).

- The Israeli authorities started constructing 20 kilometers electronic line on the expanse of Bethlehem and Hebron governorates lands. The line extends from Bittar Ilit settlement near Nahalin town to the southeast through Al Jab'a, Surif, Beit Ummar, Halhul and Al Baq'a in Hebron governorate and contains cement bases and electronic towers. Wafa (Sep 25, 2007).
- More than 500 Israeli settlers accompanied by the Israeli Army tried to take over Al Jumjoma Mountain (Jales Mountain) between Halhul and Sa'ir north of Hebron and hindered landowners from accessing their lands in an attempt to construct new settlement in the area. Wafa (Sep 30, 2007).
- The Israeli authorities closed the Ibrahime Mosque in the face of the Palestinian residents of Hebron claiming that it will be just opened for the Israeli settlers due to the Israeli celebrations. Wafa (Sep 30, 2007).

Others

- An Israeli plan to evacuate the Israeli outposts of Avigail, Asael, Maon near Hebron, Pnei Adam in the Binyamin Region, Havat Gilad near Kedumim, Kida near Shevut Rachel, Ma'aleh Rehavam near Tekoa, and Migron, whose legal status is currently being determined by the High Court of Justice. Jpost (Sep 3, 2007).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the 300 m² house owned by As'ad Hurany in Majd Al Kurum town in the western Galilee claiming that the house is located on area being the route of the rail station connecting Karm'el with Akko . Wafa (Sep 5, 2007).
- The Israeli Beit Ahad movement is trying to convince 80,000 Israeli settlers living east of the Segregation Wall from moving to the inside of the Green line and the movement is willing to compensate them. Quds (Sep 5, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers of the evacuated settlement of Neve Dekalim agreed to move to Nitzan near Ashdod . The agreement also includes capped land prices \$45,000-72,000 for a 130-square meter plot and to replace all of the

community institutions that were demolished during the disengagement, at an estimated cost of NIS 20 million. Haaretz (Sep 5, 2007).

- Al Lud Municipality plans to take over a piece of lands in Al Lud city in order to construct a playground. It is worth pointing out that the land belongs to the Islamic Waqf. Quds (Sep 20, 2007).
- The Israeli settlers are planning to erect five new outposts during the Succot. The outposts will be located near Efrat, near a hilltop in Halhul city, near Hashmonaim, Har Havi near Alon Moreh and Shuvt Ami. Arabs48 (Sep 25, 2007).

District	Land Confiscated (Dunums)	Lands Threatened (Dunums)	Uprooted Trees	Houses Demolished	Houses Threatened to be demolished
Bethlehem	344	0	0	0	0
Jerusalem	0	5.2	0	6	0
Jenin	0	0	0	0	0
Tulkarem	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	0	0	0	4	0
Salfit	0	0	0	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	258	0	0	23	0
Qalqilyia	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	0	0	0	0	0
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
Total	602	5.2	0	33	0

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

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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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