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Bethlehem

- The Israeli Occupation Forces raided Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city and handed over resident Omar Khalil Ahmad Sbeih an order to demolish his house. Al Quds (April 7, 2011).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished without pre-warning water well with a capacity of 90 cubic millimeters and an agricultural barracks in `Al Karami area in Bethlehem city owned by Mohammad Hussein Issa. The Israeli occupation forces also demolished water well owned by Khaleel Mohammad Salah in Kahllet al Fahem area under the pretext of being built without permits from the Israeli civil administration due to their location in the area classified as “C” under Oslo II Interim agreement. Al Quds (April 8, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed the house of Mahmoud Abed Al Kader and searched in its contents in Al Doha village in Bethlehem governorate. Al Quds (April 11, 2011).
- The Israeli Occupation forces stormed the houses of Muhammad Abdel Salam Za’oul, Ahmad Za’oul and Yaser Za’oul in Husan Village in Bethlehem Governorate. Al Ayyam (April 11, 2011).

- The Israeli Occupation forces forced Kisan School east of Bethlehem city to remove two mobile caravans used as classrooms from their place to a place near the school due to their location in the area classified as “C” under Oslo II Interim Agreement of 1995. Al Quds (April 15, 2011).

Hebron

- The Israeli occupation forces closed the entrance of Beit Ummar town north of Hebron city for the 9th day in row and detained Palestinian vehicles. Al Quds (April 1, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed Deir Samit village and several neighborhoods in Hebron city, and stopped Palestinian vehicles and checked citizens’ ID’s. Al Quds (April 1, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers of Qiryat Arba’ settlement stormed 3 commercial shops owned by Tareq Rasmi Jaber, Falah Al Razem and 'Ez Al Dein Al Shanteer in Jaber neighborhood in the area of the Ibrahimi Mosque. Al Ayyam (April 2, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers of Susyia settlement released a flock of sheep towards 50 dunums of lands planted with field crops east of Yatta town in Hebron governorate. The targeted lands are located at a distance of 500 meters from the settlement. Al Ayyam (April 3, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers fenced a piece of land in Al Tuwani village east of Yatta town. The targeted land is owned by Saber Husien Al Herieni family and is 5 dunums area. Al Ayyam (April 3, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation stormed Palestinian houses in Hebron Governorate, of which the following were known: the house of Imad Ahmad Abu Sharar from Al 'Arroub Refugee Camp and the houses of Saqer Abed Al Aziz Masalmeh and Muhammad Ali Suleiman Mounasra in Bani Na'im town east of Hebron city. The IOF also stormed the houses of Ghazi Muhammad Khalil Qatit from Rabud village and the house of Muhammad Abdel Qader Abu Sheikha from Karma village. Al Ayyam (April 6, 2011).

- The Israeli Occupation forces closed the Iron Gate at the entrance of Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city. Al Ayyam (April 6, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed and searched the houses of Ahmad Mansour Al Khalaileh, Walid Esmail Amro, Ibrahim Esmail Abed Al Kader Msharka in Hebron Governorate. Al Quds (April 7, 2011).
- A number of Israeli settlers east of Yatta town attacked Palestinian lands in Kherbit Janba (Janba Hamlet) and ploughed the land preparing to take over it. Al Quds (April 7, 2011).
- Israeli Occupation forces removed tens of Vine trees planted in lands of that were forcibly taken over by Israeli settlers in Kherbit Susyia. It is worth mentioning that six years ago, the Israeli court issued an order to vacate the targeted lands which are owned by Hushieh family and are about 50 dunums area. Al Quds (April 7, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces set up military checkpoints at the entrances of Beit Awa, Yatta, Halhoul, Dura, Beit Kahel and Al fawwar refugee camp communities, where they stopped citizens' vehicles and carried out intensive inspection and checked citizens' ID cards. Al Quds (April 7, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces set up military checkpoints at the entrances of Halhoul, Dura, Idhna and Al Samu' communities and stopped vehicles and checked citizens' ID cards. Al Quds (April 8, 2011).
- An Israeli settler called Yacob Talia released a flock of sheep towards Palestinian lands in Um Al Khaus area south of Hebron city and caused destruction to 25 dunums of lands cultivated with 400 Almond saplings and other field crops owned by Muhammad Musa Awad and Omar Jibril An Nawaj'a. Al Ayyam (April 8, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces forced Mohammad and Ghazi Ismail Adi and to leave their 70 dunums lands in 'Ein Al Baida area under the pretext that the lands are "closed military area". It is worth mentioning that the targeted lands are located in close vicinity of Beit 'Ayn settlement north of Hebron city. Al Ayyam (April 10, 2011).

- Israeli settlers of Susiya settlement released hundreds of Sheep towards 50 dunums of Palestinian lands planted with Wheat and Barely near the settlement. Al Ayyam (April 10, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers of Beit 'Ayn settlement and Israeli occupation forces raided Kerbit Safa north of Hebron city, Wad Abu Al Reesh, Ain Al Baida and Al 'Irq communities and declared the areas as "closed military zones" where they attacked the farmers and prevented them from cultivating their lands and uprooted 45 olive trees. Wafa (April 11, 2011).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities issued a final demolition order against a shack and water well, the property of Yasir al 'Awawda. According to the order numbered (306716), "the owner must demolish the structure and return to the status quo within a week". It also stated that the owner will be forced to pay for the demolition costs in case he did not comply because the structures were built without permits. The owner received a similar order numbered (147438) on January 4, 2011. The 350-m2-shack was built in 2008 and has been used as a chicken farm which forms the only source of living for the 10-member family that includes 5 children. LRC (April 12, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers of Beit 'Ayn settlement uprooted 30 olive trees in the land owned by Mohammad Ahmad Ismail A'adi in Beit Ummar town north of Hebron city. LRC (April 14, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces confiscated transmitters' equipments owned by "Bethlehem 2000" radio station in Ras Al Jouz area in Hebron city. (April 15, 2011).
- About 100 Israeli settlers of Qiryatt Arba' settlement east of Hebron city hiked in 3 dunums of lands planted with wheat and barely and owned by Monther Ahmad Jaber and Abed Al Mine'm Jaber. Al Ayyam (April 16, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers of Susiya settlement released about 300 flocks of sheep to Palestinian fields planted with wheat and barley located west of the settlement and owned by Mohammad Ibrahim Muslem Al Nawa'jeh and Jihad Muhammad Ahmad Al Nawaj'a. Al Quds (April 17, 2011).

- The Israeli occupation forces stormed the house of Ahmad Khalel Abu Hisham in Beit Ummer north of Hebron city for second times and forced its residents to vacate the house. Al Quds (April 17, 2011).
- The Israeli Occupation forces confiscated 32 Olive saplings in Suba village west of Hebron city under the pretext that the lands where the saplings were planted are classified as “State Lands”. The saplings are owned by resident Thaer Al Qawasmi. Al Ayyam (April 18, 2011).
- The Israeli Occupation forces handed over resident Yaser Salem Al ‘Awawdah a military order to demolish his 350 square meters barracks which is used as an animal barn and a water well of 250 cubic millimeters capacity owned by him in Al Buweira area southwest of Hebron city under the pretext of being set up without permit. Al Quds (April 18, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed the houses of Ahmad Abu Hisham, Hassan Abu Ayash, Jameel Mohammad ‘Alkam and Yossef Ahmad Rashed Sabarneh in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city. Al Ayyam (April 18, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces raided Hebron city and set up military checkpoints in Wadi Qaboun in the northern city and Farsh Al Hawa in the western part of the city and searched in citizens’ vehicles and their Identity Cards. Al Ayyam (April 19, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation Authorities decided to close Al Ibrahimy mosque in Hebron city and prevent Palestinians from accessing it; while decided to open it to Israeli settlers and Jewish people under the pretext of celebration the Passover feast. Al Ayyam (April 19, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces raided Khamat Al Ma’aser area in Hebron governorate and forced Palestinian farmers from Al Riahieh village south of Hebron to leave their lands. The IOF also detained the ID cards of a number of Palestinian farmers for more than an hour and prevented them from accessing their lands without permits. Al Quds (April 19, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed Tariq Ben Ziyad high school in Hebron old city under the pretext that a military patrol was pelted with stones as it passed by the school. Al Ayyam (April 22, 2011).

- The Israeli occupation forces prevented the staff of Dream Theater from accessing Abu Al Reish checkpoint near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the Old city of Hebron. Al Quds (April 22, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces raided the roofs of Palestinian houses owned by several families in Al Hussein valley (Wadi Al Hussein) in Hebron city. One of the houses is said to be owned by 'Awni Da'na. Al Quds (April 22, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed several houses in Idhna and Beit 'Awwa towns in Hebron Governorate; of the targeted houses, the following were known: Sa'di Abu Zelta and 'Ala Masalmeh. Al Ayyam (April 22, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces demolished 3 tents, 3 barracks and 1 external toilet owned by Mahmoud Shahadeh Abu Taha and Ibrahim Gabriel Da'ajneh in Kherbit Em Zaytoneh southeast of Yatta town in Hebron governorate. Al Quds (April 24, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces raided Beit Ummar town north of Hebron city and searched Palestinian houses, of which the following were known: the house of Mohammad Yossef Al 'Aalamy and another house owned by Al Natshah family. Wafa (April 24, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces set up a military checkpoint on Haloul Bridge, the northern entrance of Hebron city where they stopped Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. Wafa (April 24, 2011)
- The Israeli settlers of Gush Etzion settlement located to the southwest of Bethlehem city opened sewage pipes into 110 dunums of Palestinian lands planted with Grapes in Shakheit valley (Wadi Shakheit) north of Beit Ummar town. The targeted lands are owned by Ahmad Abed Al Qader Sabarneh, Ibrahim Odeh Sabarneh, Wahid Sabarneh, Mohammad Hussien Sabarneh, Ahmad De'ran Sabarneh and Khaleil Saber Sabarneh. Al Quds (April 26, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces prevented Palestinian farmers from Beit Ula town west of Hebron city from entering their lands and working in them under the pretext of being classified as "state lands"; In addition,

the IOF confiscated a tractor owned by Khader Taye' while on duty. Al Quds (April 27, 2011).

- The Israeli occupation forces prevented number of Palestinian farmers from entering their lands north west Beit Ummar in Hebron governorate under the pretext of being classified as closed military area or state land. Al Ayyam (April 30, 2011).

Jerusalem

- The Israeli District Court issued an order which forces citizen 'Eid Kesteiro to pay an amount of 15 thousand NIS monthly and prevented him from renewing his residency documents and traveling outside the country and renewing his driver license and selling his car in order to afford for its maintenance, insurance and fuel. The court also issued an order which forces Mr. Kasteiro to transfer the ownership of his father's house located in Al Kermi neighborhood in Jerusalem city to his name. The court also threatened that if Mr. Kasterio doesn't pay the aforementioned amount of money, his restaurant which is located in Al Mosrara area will be taken over by the court. Al Quds (April 1, 2011).
- PEACENOW movement announced that 30 housing units in the Palestinian neighborhood of Ras Al Amoud were up for sale. It is worth mentioning that 117 Jewish families currently live in the neighborhood. The new housing units are to be built in the site of the former police station. Al Quds (April 2, 2011).
- The planning and building committee at the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem announced that a plan to build 942 housing units in Gilo settlement south of Jerusalem city will be discussed and later to be deposited for public review. According to the plans, the new buildings are expected to stretch over some 88,000 square meters (947,220 square feet) – 1,000 square meters for commercial purposes, 20,000 for public buildings and 3,500 for recreation and sports purposes. [Al Quds \(April 4, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli Defense Minister approved another four master plans for 4 illegal Israeli settlements in the West Bank: Rotem settlement in Tubas Governorate, Eshkelot - Sensana settlements in Hebron Governorate, Halamish settlement in Ramallah Governorate and Qiryat Netafim settlement in Salfit Governorate. Al Quds (April 5, 2011).

- The Israeli committee for building and planning at the municipality of Jerusalem approved a project to establish a National Park in the eastern slopes of Mount Scopus near the area known as the E1 area. The project will be implemented on 662 dunums of lands of Al Issawiya and Al Tur communities in east Jerusalem and holds number “A 11092”. Al Quds (April 5, 2011).
- The planning and building committee at the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem revealed that it will discuss the plan to issue permits for building three new residential buildings of 13 floors (plan number 8186) north of Ramot settlement. This translates to the construction of 180 housing units, where each building will contain 60 housing units. Al Quds (April 7, 2011).
- A petition submitted to Israel’s High Court demands Israel to stop revoking permanent residency permits of Palestinians in the city. The Center for the Defense of the Individual and the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI) submitted the petition on behalf of Palestinian residents of Jerusalem, demanding that the Israeli Ministry of Interior stop revoking permanent residency permits. Al Ayyam (April 8, 2011).
- The Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem forced citizen Khaleel Ibrahim Khames in Wadi Al Jouz in east Jerusalem city to demolish his 35 square meters house addition by his own hands under the pretext that the house is located in an area classified as “Green Area” by the Municipality. Mr. Khamis was also fined with “NIS 17500” as a penalty for building in that area. Al Quds (April 8, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces raided the house of Jawad Siyam which is composed of 3 floors in Silwan city and searched in its contents. Al Quds (April 11, 2011).
- The Israeli planning and construction committee at the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem has endorsed the building of 900 new housing units south of Gilo settlement near the Palestinian village of Walajeh. The housing units will be built on an area of 228 dunums and would also include building infrastructure such as roads and public utilities. The committee has published the plan of building 900 units one day after it announced the endorsement of 942 housing units in the

same settlement. Both plans envision the establishment of around 1900 housing units south of Gilo. [Al Quds \(April 14, 2011\)](#).

- The Israeli occupation forces stormed the house of Nasser Sobhi Abu Khdeir in Shu'fat city and confiscated 3 computers and personal stuff. [Al Quds \(April 17, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem revealed about a plan to build a new colonial neighborhood of 60 units on 10 dunums of lands classified as absentee property lands according to the municipality in parcel number 30615. The municipality also approved a plan to build another colonial neighborhood of 549 units near Beit Safafa town south of Jerusalem. This plan holds number 5834B and will occupy a total land area of 153 dunums. [Al Quds \(April 18, 2011\)](#).
- One of the most prominent leaders of the settlement movement in Jerusalem called "Arieh King," accompanied by Special Forces and border guards delivered 10 evacuation orders to 23 Palestinian homes in Ash Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Jerusalem city. The targeted homes are owned by Bader Abu Al Dawla, Mustafa Al Khateb, Assem Al Bishete, Hussein Al Keswani, Fatima Salem, Jamal Mahmud Moshein, Ala'a Amen, Mohammad Abed Al Kader and Samir Lafi Mohammad. It is worth mentioning that the homes occupy a total land area of 15 dunums, out of 80 dunums which are threatened to be evacuated for the construction of a new colonial neighborhood of 400 units. [Al Quds \(April 20, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli occupation forces raided the supermarket of Nidal Nayef A'weida in Al Dam valley (Wadi Al Dam) in Beit Hanina city north of Jerusalem city. The IOF also stormed his father's house and searched in its contents. [AL Ayyam \(April 21, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli Government approved three settlement projects in Israeli settlement around Jerusalem city. The projects include 900 units in Ramat Shlomo settlement, on lands of Beit Hanina and Shu'fat; and 260 housing units in Har Homa settlement (Abu Ghneim Mountain) and another 200 units in Ras Al 'Amoud neighborhood which is fund by the jewish American Millionaire, Irwing Moskowitch. It was also revealed the the Israeli Ministry of Housing and Construction started planning for a project that includes the building of 800 units in Giv'at Ze'ev settlement northwest of Jerusalem city. [Al Quds \(April 22, 2011\)](#).

- The Al-Aqsa Foundation for Waqf and Heritage reported that the Israeli Authorities are going on with their excavations activities under Al Aqsa Mosque as they are creating a network of tunnels under the mosque and around it. The foundation also added that the excavations and digging activities are being conducted under Al Buraq Wall (Walling Wall) near Al Mughrabi Gate (Bab Al Magharba), Al Silsila Gate (Gate of the Chain), and Al Mat-hara Gate. The tunnels are linked with a network of tunnels that are being dug in Wadi Hilwa in Silwan city, and penetrate through an area under the Old Jerusalem Wall near the outer area of Al Mughrabi Gate. Israel is also carrying out excavations near Bab Al 'Amoud area in order to link the newly created tunnels with a tunnel that goes under Al 'Omary School. Al Quds (April 22, 2011).
- Israeli District Committee for Planning and Building will discuss a plan which includes the construction of 386 housing units on 8 dunums of land in Jourte An Niqa' (Kubaniyet Um Haroun) in Al Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Jerusalem city. The project is included within a settlement scheme number "29465 B" which is sponsored by the well known Israeli business man Arie King, in collaboration with the right-wing Jews association. If implemented, the scheme will threaten the fate of 30 Palestinian families (280 members) in the neighborhood. Al Quds (April 27, 2011).
- The Israeli PEACENOW movement reported that it is being planned for a new settlement neighborhood consisting of 800 housing south of Giv'at Ze'ev settlement. The plan has already received the Housing Ministry's funding and awaiting approval of the Israeli Defense Minister, Ehud Barak. Al Quds (April 27, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces continued to close the main entrance of Silwan town from the side of Al Helwa valley (Wadi Al Helwa) nearest to the Al Aqsa mosque from the southeast side. Al Ayyam (April 27, 2011).
- Israeli occupation forces handed eviction orders for the third time to 12 Palestinian families from Ka'abna tribe in the northeast of the occupied Jerusalem in preparation to expand more illegal settlements in Jerusalem as well as to increase the Jewish presence in the area. [Al Quds \(April 28, 2011\)](#).

- The Israeli occupation forces threatened to evacuate the house of Khaled Hmdala in Ras Al 'Amoud area in Jerusalem under the pretext that the house is owned by Jewish settlement organizations. On the other hand the Israeli court will look in to the case of 39 Palestinian houses in Silwan city in Jerusalem in the next month. Al Ayyam (April 29, 2011).

Ramallah

- The Israeli occupation forces stormed a residential building owned by Abu Saleh Al Tarteer and they forced its residents to get out of their house in Em Al Sharayet neighborhood in Al Bira city. [Wafa \(April 11, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed Palestinian houses in An Nabi Saleh village and closed the road that leads to the village. The IOF also occupied 2 Palestinian houses in the village, an oil factory and Maqam Al Nabi Saleh and turned them to military posts. Al Ayyam (April 16, 2011).
- 40 Israeli settlers from Talmoun settlement stormed Al Karameh housing complex in Al Mazra'a Al Qibliyah village northwest of Ramallah city and occupied its roof and held their prayers. Al Quds (April 23, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces closed the entrance of Al Nabi Saleh village northwest of Ramallah city and hindered citizens and the media from entering and exiting the village. Al Ayyam (April 23, 2011).

Jenin

- The Israeli settlers of Etz Efrayem settlement escalated their razing and building activities in the vicinity of the settlement in the area known as "Bat Abu Rzeik" in Mas-ha village in Salfit Governorate. The razing activities come in preparation to build 62 new housing units in the settlement, the thing that threatens hundreds of dunums of lands of Mas-ha village. So far, six new housing units were built in the site and work is being done to add another four new housing units. Al Quds (April 4, 2011).

- The Israeli occupation force set up a military checkpoint near Zahret Al Fenjan land south of Jenin city. Al Quds (April 5, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces set up a military checkpoint on the entrance of Rummaneh and Zabonah villages west of Jenin city and checked citizens' ID cards. [Wafa \(April 5 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli occupation forces and the department of the Israeli water authority stormed Kafer Al Dan village west of Jenin city and searched in the agricultural lands under the pretext of searching for water wells in the area. [Wafa \(April 6, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed two residential buildings, the first is owned by Abed Al Salam Khalaf in Al Basateen neighborhood (Hai Al Basateen) in Jenin city and Sakha building. Al Ayyam (April 13, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed the house of Rafeq Mohammad Melhem in Kafer Ra'I village south of Jenin city. Al Ayyam (April 13, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed Al Yamun village west of Jenin city and set up a military checkpoint at its western entrance and started searching citizens' vehicles and ID cards. Al Ayyam (April13, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces continued with its actions of harassment to the Palestinian citizens in Ya'bad town in Jenin governorate since the IOF handed over notifications for demolition of the facilities for the manufacture of coal under the pretext that it's not legal in the 17 of March 2011. Where they prevented the vehicles from entering to the area and raided the facilities every single day. Al Ayyam (April 25, 2011).

Salfit

- The Israeli occupation forces declared Wadi Qana area (Qana Valley) west of Deir Istya village in Salfit governorate a closed military area and prevented Palestinian farmers and citizens from entering and exiting the valley. It is worth mentioning that the valley's area is estimated at 6000 dunums. Al Ayyam (April 2, 2011).

- The Israeli settlers of Revava settlement and the Israeli occupation forces prevented farmer Faris Daoud Faris from Deir Istyia village in Salfit Governorate from accessing his land located in “Hawd Al Ta’irat” area in Al Qibli Valley. The settlers closed the road leading to his land which forced him to take a longer and more difficult access road to his land. Al Ayyam (April 3, 2011).
- The Israeli Settlers of Tafuh settlement installed barbed wires around 600 dunums of lands in the vicinity of the settlement. The lands are owned by Yasuf village citizens in Salfit Governorate. The lands are located along the main road that connects the northern and western areas of the governorate with Za'tara junction. Settlers also set up 17 new caravans in the area and connected them with electricity and water networks and planted a number of Olive trees in the area preparing to take over the land. Al Quds (April 4, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces uprooted 19 olive trees owned by Kasem Naser Mansour in an area called “Nabe’ Al Bassa” west of Deir Istyia village in Salfit governorate. In addition, Israeli settlers of Immanuel settlement opened their wastewater canals towards the lands of Wadi Qana (Qana Valley). Al Ayyam (April 11, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers of Nofim settlement prevented Palestinian farmers from accessing their lands in Kherbit Shahadeh (Shahada hamlet) west of Deir Istyia village in Salfit Governorate. Al Ayyam (April 12, 2011).
- Tens of Israeli settlers of Yaker settlement attacked Palestinian farmers in Qana valley(Wadi Qana) north west Deir Estyia village in Salfit governorate and threw stones to number of farmers located in their lands near by A’ien Al Bassa and scattered their personal belongings and forced them to leave their land, the targeted farmers Helwa Abed Al Halim Mansour, Abed Al Karem Ahmad Mansour and Fayza Khader Mansour. Al Quds(April 28,2011)

Nablus

- The Israeli settlers attacked for the second time in 24 hours a water spring in the village of Madama in Nablus Governorate and damaged the water network. [Wafa \(April 4, 2011\)](#).

- The Israeli settlers of Itamar settlement attacked a newly reclaimed agricultural land which was implemented by the Union of Agricultural Work Committees in 'Aqraba village southeast of Nablus city. The Israeli settlers destroyed and uprooted tens of seedlings that are planted within in the targeted land. [Maannews. \(April 5, 2011\).](#)
- About 50 Israeli settlers of Yetzhar settlement set fire into the car of Ali Issa Sliman Makhloof. [Wafa \(April 9, 2011\).](#)
- The Israeli occupation forces prevented farmers of Iraq Burin village southwest of Nablus city from accessing their lands and cultivating them. Al Quds (April 10, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces confiscated Archeological materials in Kherbit Sorra southeast of Nablus city. Al Quds (April 11, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed 'Awarta village southeast of Nablus city and imposed curfew on the village and declared the village as "closed military area" and started search in Palestinian houses. Al Quds (April 11, 2011).
- The Israeli Occupation authorities handed over 'awarta village council a military order to confiscate 2 dunums of lands northeast of the village, in Parcel number 2, in Al Kawlab area to establish a military base and a military watch tower in the area overlooking Itamar settlement. Al Ayyam (April 12, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed the house of Awad family in 'Awarta village east of Nablus city and caused damages to the house and exploded its entrance. Al Quds (April 13, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation raided the house of Amjad Drawsheh in Talouza village north Nablus city and searched its contents. Al Quds (April 15, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces tightened of its military actions on Za'tara military checkpoint south of Nablus city where they stopped Palestinian vehicles trying to pass through and checked ID cards of passengers. Al Quds (April 20, 2011).

- A group of Israeli settlers of Bracha settlement stormed Burin village south of Nablus city and fired at Palestinian citizens' houses. Settlers also tried to raid one Palestinian house in the village and control it in order to put a sign on the roof. Al Quds (April 20, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces built and installed electrical towers in the eastern side of 'Awarta village east of Nablus city in an attempt to illuminate 3 mobile caravans and 3 tents and transfer the land that has an area of more than 1000 dunums to a military camp after it took over the land without a Judicial decision. It is worth mentioning that land owners were prevented from accessing these lands since last month. Al Quds (April 21, 2011).
- In an initiative by the new settlement movement "Nahala", Israeli settlers established a new outpost on Al Rajab hill overlooking Nablus city, near Itamar settlement and gave it the name "Rigev". The outpost includes 20 families' living in tents in the first phase. Al Quds (April 21, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers of Etsahar settlement uprooted 15 olive trees owned by Bassam Ibrahim Mohammad Kadous, and 25 olive trees owned by Mohammad Raja Al Zaben from Al Suana area in Burin village in Nablus Governorate. POICA (April 23, 2011).
- A group of Israeli settlers stormed a quarry and destroyed its equipments in Burin village in Nablus Governorate. Another group of Israeli settlers set fire into a Palestinian vehicle on Huwwara road. Al Ayyam (April 25, 2011).
- Hundreds of Israel settlers closed Huwwara checkpoint and the crossroad that connects between Nablus and Qalqilyia governorates and prevented Palestinian citizens from crossing it. Al Quds (April 25, 2011).
- Tens of Israeli settlers threw Palestinian citizens' vehicles by stones on the entrance roads that lead to Nablus city and the surrounding villages of Huwwara, Burin and Beit Furik. Al Quds (April 25, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed the houses of Hakim Awad and Amjad in 'Awarta village southeast of Nablus city and searched in their contents. Al Quds (April 28, 2011).

- Israeli settlers attacked Burien village south of Nablus city and stormed the house of Bashir Al Zebien and damaged its windows. Al Quds ([April 30, 2011](#)).

Qalqilyia

- The Israeli occupation forces stormed the house of Saqer Ibrahim Salem in Azzun village east of Qalqilyia city. Wafa ([April 13, 2011](#)).
- Israeli settlers set up a tent on Qalqilyia–Nablus road, between Izbat Al Tabib and A’zoun villages under the protection of the Israeli forces. Wafa ([April 13, 2011](#)).
- Israeli occupation forces set up several flying checkpoints on the eastern entrance of Azzun village and stopped Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. [Wafa \(April 13, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli occupation forces raided the house of Al Hanyia family in A’zoun village east of Qalqilyia city. Al Ayyam ([April 13, 2011](#)).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed ‘Azzun village east of Qalqilyia governorate and isolated it from the nearby communities and hindered its citizens from entering and exiting the village. Al Quds ([April 17, 2011](#)).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed Gayada neighborhood, Al Madares Street (Schools Street) and the area of Nablus street in Qalqilyia city, where they stopped citizens and handed them notification to interview the Israeli intelligence. Al Ayyam ([April 21, 2011](#)).
- The Israeli occupation forces closed A’zzun village east of Qalqilyia governorate and isolated it from the neighboring Palestinian villages. The IOF also prevented citizens from entering and exiting the village. Al Quds ([April 22, 2011](#)).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed Jeit village east of Qalqilyia governorate and raided a house owned by Darwesh Ibrahim Seda and searched in its contents; also the IOF intensified from their presence on

the road that connects between 'Azba and 'Azoun towns. Al Ayyam (April 30, 2011).

Tulkarem

- The Israeli occupation forces closed and without pre-notification Jubara gate (Gate number 753) south of Tulkarem city and hindered citizens from accessing through. The IOF also set up a military checkpoint at Al Kaferiat crossroad that leads to the gate. Al Quds (April 5, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed Kafer Jammal and Kafer Aboush villages south of Tulkarem city and took photos of the house of 'Abed Al Mo'ti Salah from Kafer Jammal under the pretext of that the house was built on the ruins of the tomb of a Jewish woman. Al Ayyam (April 8, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces set up a military checkpoint at Al Kafriat village crossroad south of Tulkarem city and obstructed vehicular and pedestrian movements. The IOF also carried out a thorough inspection to Palestinian citizens' vehicles and ID cards. Al Ayyam (April 10, 2011).
- The Israeli settlers of Avnei Hefez settlement and the Israeli occupation forces detained 4 Palestinian farmers for hours and confiscated their tractors in Kafer Al Labad east of Tulkarem city. Wafa (April 11, 2011).
- 6 Palestinian families from Kafa village in Tulkarem city received notifications to evacuate 76 dunums from their lands under the pretext of being classified as "state lands". The notification included Majed Mohammad Mustafa Odeh (10 dunums), Jamal Mustafa Ahmad Ismail (16 dunums), Khalid Mustafa Ahmad Ismail (17 dunums), Jamal Mahmud Ghazal (10 dunums) and Ma'zouz Fateh Rashid Mousa (23 dunums). Al Quds (April 15, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces set up a military checkpoint at Al Kafariyat road junction which leads to Kherbit Jubara south of Tulkarem city and stopped the vehicles in both sides and checked the ID's of the passengers also handed Palestinian citizens notifications to interview the Israeli intelligence. Al Ayyam (April 26, 2011).

- The Israeli occupation forces closed and set up a military checkpoint on the crossroad of Far'on at the southern entrance of Tulkarem, where the closure caused obstruction to Vehicular and Pedestrian movements in both sides; also the IOF checked the ID's of the citizens and stopped the vehicles Al Quds(April 30,2011).

Tubas

- Israeli occupation forces raided the villages of the northern Jordan Valley and seized agricultural tractors owned by Palestinian farmers in the area. Al Ayyam (April 6, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation Bulldozers demolished 3 houses and razed 2 roads in Al 'Aqaba village east of Tubas city. The first road is called Al Salam road and is more than a kilometer long; it connects the village with the northern valleys; while the second road is called Al Mohajaren road and leads to Al Mogtarbeen neighborhood. The IO bulldozers also destroyed the electricity gird in the village and announced the area as closed military zone. Al Ayyam (April 8, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces demolished 9 barracks and animal pens, 2 bathrooms and 3 Tabouns owned by Abed Awaad Khader Daragmeh and Fawzi Abed Awaad Khader Daragmeh, Ayman Abed Awaad Khader Daragmeh, Diab Abed Awaad Khader Daragmeh and Mahioyb Mohamad Naji Daragmeh in Khernbit Samra in the northern Jordan valley in Tubas governorate, rendering 590 sheep without a shelter. Al Quds (April 8, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces demolished houses owned by 2 shepherds in the herding hamlet of Khirbet Samra in the northern Jordan Valley. Where they received orders saying the lands were zoned for military use, and that they did not have a license to be present. [Maannews \(April 9, 2011\)](#).
- Rotem settlers captured 24 dunums of lands of Khallit Hamad in Wadi al Maleh in Tubas Governorate, to the west of the settlement. The captured land is the property of Rafi' Faqaha and his brothers. The settlers started planting the land with olive trees while trying to show that they can use it despite the fact that the owner has deeds proving his ownership. [Maannews \(April 11, 2011\)](#).

- The Israeli occupation forces raided Najem AL Hmoud, Hassan Dababseh and Hisham Dbabreh houses in Al Fara'a valley (Wadi Al Fara'a) in Tubas governorate and searched in their contents. They also forced residents of the aforementioned houses leave the house under the threat of weapons. [Maannews \(April 13, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed 2 houses in Al Haraieq area in Tubas city owned by Omar Hamzah Daragmeh and Mahmud Adeeb Miselmani. [Wafa \(April 27, 2011\)](#).
- The Israeli occupation forces set up 2 flying checkpoints, the first is at the entrance of Tamoun crossroad in Tubas city, and the second is on the road that links Tubas city with Tayaseer village and checked the Identities of Palestinian citizens. [Wafa \(April 27, 2011\)](#).

Jericho

- The Israeli occupation forces demolished without pre-notification 6 barracks and animal pens owned by Arab Al Zayed and Al Rashaideh in An Nuweimah village despite court's order to freeze any demolition or deportation proceedings against citizens of the village. Al Quds (April 14, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces stormed elementary school of Khaled Ben Al Walid in Al Fasaeil Al Foqa village north Jericho governorate and investigate the principle of the school. Al Quds (April 29, 2011).

Gaza

- The Israeli military bulldozers bulldozed lands in Al Shukeh area along the eastern borders of Rafah governorate. Al Ayyam (April 2, 2011).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities closed Kram Abu Salem crossing point (Kerem Shalom) in the southern Gaza Strip. Al Ayyam (April 7, 2011).
- Israeli aircrafts launched series of air raids in Jabal Ar Rayyes area in At Tuffah neighborhood east of the Gaza Strip and targeted an empty area.

Israeli raids also targeted Hasanein Plastic factory causing fire. Al Quds (April 7, 2011).

- The Israeli occupation forces bombed and targeted the National security forces headquarter, an agricultural room in Al Zena area east of Khan Yonis governorate and two others tunnels. Al Quds (April 8, 2011).
- Israeli air forces bombed an area around Sohada AL Aksa hospital in Deir Al Balah city in the Gaza strip and also targeted 'Abed Al 'Aziz Al Rantese north of Gaza city and bombed an agricultural land owned by Fatouh family in Al Zaitoneh neighborhood southeast Gaza city. Al Quds (April 8, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation tank shelled on the house of Ibrahim Kdeih in Al Faraheen area in the Gaza strip. Al Quds (April 9, 2011).
- The Israeli aircraft shelled on the house of Al Amour family in Sofa area northeast of Rafah city and set fire to it. Al Ayyam (April 9, 2011).
- The Israeli aircrafts launched 2 air raids which targeted Al Zaitoneh neighborhood (Hai Al Zaitoneh) southeast of Gaza strip and Al Maqousi Towers north of the Gaza strip. Al Ayyam (April 17, 2011).
- Two Israeli bulldozers bulldozed and uprooted citrus trees in agricultural area of the borders in Beit Hanoun town in Gaza strip. Al Ayyam (April 18, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces demolished 4 factories and 4 stores and barracks, and razed water and sewage networks and an Electric Generator in the industrial zone near Al Mintar crossing border east of Gaza City. "Yonibal" factory which is owned by Mushtaha family is one of the factories that has been targeted by the Israeli operation. Al Quds (April 22, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation Tanks and Bulldozers stormed and razed Al Qamera area east of Al Bureij refugee camp in the Gaza strip. Al Quds (April 22, 2011).

- The Israeli occupation forces fired at fishing boats in Beit Lahia area in the Gaza strip, causing damages to the boats. Al Ayyam (April 25, 2011).
- The Israeli occupation forces shelled on empty lands in several areas east and north of the Gaza strip. In addition, the Israeli military warplanes shelled on some agricultural lands near Erez crossing border. Al Quds (April 26, 2011).
- The Israeli military mechanisms fired 2 shells on a group of citizens east Al Beiraj camp and the other one on the yard of a house in Gaza strip. Al Quds (April 29, 2011).

Monthly Violations Statistics – April 2011

Governorate	Land Confiscated (Dunums)	Threatened of Confiscation (Dunums)	Uprooted Trees/ Burnt trees	Demolished Houses	Houses threatened of Demolition
Bethlehem	0	0	0	0	1
Jerusalem	0	0	0	1	36
Jenin	0	0	0	0	0
Tulkarm	76	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	2	1000	40	0	0
Salfit	600	0	19	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	6	0
Gaza	0	0	0	8	0
Qalqilyah	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	5	70	507	3	0
Tubas	24	0	0	14	0
Total	707	1070	566	32	37

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, Haaretz Daily Newspaper, Israel National News, The Jerusalem Post - English-language daily newspaper, Paltoday news-website, Palpress news website,

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