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- Israel approved the construction of 600 housing units in Ma'ale Adumim colony east of Jerusalem city. (Aug 3, 2004). [For more details, click here](#)



- The Israeli bulldozers continued erecting a road on a mountainous area that will connect Ma'ale Adumim colony with Jerusalem city. Quds (Aug 6, 2004)
- Israel froze the construction of 145 housing units out of 600 units in Ma'ale Adumim colony east of Jerusalem city. Al Ayam (Aug 6, 2004)
- The Israeli ministry of construction is planning to construct a new colony containing 1500 housing units, three hotels and an industrial zone on a hill top close to Al 'Esawiya and Hebrew University. will connect east of Jerusalem with Ma'ale Adumim colony according to the E1 project, as a result 12443 dunums of lands from At Tur, ['Anata](#), Al 'Ezariya and [Abu Dis villages](#) will be seized obstructing any future solution for a Palestinian state. Quds+ Al Ayam (Aug 6, 2004)
- The IOF continued razing lands in Wadi 'Ayad and in the area between Al Barid and the Coptic outskirts to the northeast of Jerusalem city for the Segregation Wall. Moreover, the IOF erected a road that leads to Nave Yaacov colony on lands belong to Al Qawasmi, Al Hinawi, Qabani, Abu Farha, Zahda, Al Salayma, Al Matur and Jradat families. Wafa (Aug 8, 2004).
- Jerusalem municipality demolished three Palestinian houses in Al Ashqariya neighborhood in Beit Hanina city, two houses with a gas station in Al Sal'a neighborhood in Jabal Al Mukabbir and two other houses in [Shu'fat camp](#) which belongs to Hayel Sandwqa and Hani Srour under the pretext of being unlicensed. Not forgetting to mention that the IOF handed the residents of Silwan military orders to demolish 35 houses and another 13 houses are threatened of being demolished in At Tur under the same pretext. Quds (Aug 10, 2004).
- The IOF continued razing the lands in the main Street area between Al Barid and Qalandiya checkpoints north of Jerusalem city to construct part of the Segregation Wall in the area. Wafa (Aug 10, 2004). [Click here for more details.](#)
- The IOF demolished without any pre-notification the two-storey house of Amjad Muhammad Al Ra'oud in Wad El Dam in Beit Hanina under the pretext of not having building permits. Quds (Aug 12, 2004).
- The IOF started razing lands and erecting tunnels in Beit Iksa village to the west of Jerusalem city to construct a railway that connects Jerusalem city with Tel Aviv. The railway will pass through a number of villages

- located northwest of Jerusalem city particularly in Beit Iksa and Beit Surik. Wafa (Aug 15, 2004). [For more details, click here.](#)
- The IOF demolished a house in Al Shqariya neighborhood in Beit Hanina city to the north of Jerusalem city which belongs to Na'im Ghayth under the pretext of not having building permits. Furthermore the IOF handed tens of military orders to other residents to demolishg their houses under the same pretext. Wafa (Aug 17, 2004).
  - Israel is planning to reroute the Segregation Wall part which extends between Elkana colony and Jerusalem to be close to the Armistice line (Green line), the plan will be implemented on September 2004. Quds (Aug 18, 2004).
  - The Israeli company "Moreh" is planning to construct a new colonial neighborhood to the west of Bat-Gilo in Beit Safafa. The new neighborhood will include the construction of 200 new housing units each unit is composed of 7 floors. Quds (Aug 21, 2004).
  - Israel has begun building 100 new housing units in the Har Gilo colony near Jerusalem which will be completed by the end of the year. Haaretz (Aug 23, 2004).
  - The Israeli Supreme court issued an order to cancel the temporary restraining order to stop constructing the Segregation Wall Ramallah-Jerusalem main road, mainly between Al Barid outskirt and Qalandiya and in Wadi 'Ayad area between Al Barid and the Coptic outskirts in Ar Ram. [For more information click here.](#) Moreover the IOF are planning to construct a passage replacing Qalandyia checkpoint to become like Erez crossing border established in the industrial zone ('Atarot). As a result, the area between ArRam and Al Barid outskirt will be the only access to Ramallah city, while connecting the area between Ar Ram and Beir Nabala with a street. Wafa+ Quds (Aug 22, 2004).
  - The Arab studies society in Jerusalem city assured that since year 2000 to 2004, the Israeli authorities constructed 4639 new housing units in Jerusalem city housing a total of 236,000 Israeli colonists. Wafa (Aug 23, 2004) .
  - Israel is planning to construct 11 gates around Jerusalem city. Al Ayam (Aug 24, 2004).
  - The IOF constructed two iron gates at Qalandiya checkpoint to the north of Jerusalem city and divided it into 4 passages similar to the gates constructed at Beit Hanun passage located at the northern entrance of

- Gaza Strip where Palestinians are forced to pass one by one in less than 30m. Wafa+ Arabs 48 (Aug 26, 2004).
- The Israeli central court in Jerusalem city issued an order to freeze *the colonial project "Nof Zahav" (The Golden View)* which contains 400 housing units in Jabal Al Mukabbir-As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya to the east of Jerusalem city. The order came as the owner of the project (Jewish owner) could not approve his ownership to 75% of the land as he claimed earlier. Al Ayam (Aug 26, 2004).
  - The IOF demolished the house of 'Adnan Isma'il Abu Kaf in Sur Bahir neighborhood southeast of Jerusalem city under the pretext of not being licensed, displacing 8 dwellers. Wafa (Aug 30, 2004).

### Qalqiliya

- The IOF demolished 12 houses in 'Azzun 'Atma village in Qalqiliya district under the pretext of being unlicensed. Houses belong to: 'Abed El Ra'ouf abu Hajla, Muhammad 'Abed Allah Omar, Omar 'Abed Allah Omar, Hazim Shalabi, 'Abed El Salam 'Abed Allah Omar, Muhammad 'Ezat Omar, Mahmoud Isma'il Jubrail Younes and Khalid El Sa'ed. Not forgetting to mention that the Israeli authorities handed residents of Azzun Al 'Atma another 40 warnings to demolish their houses and properties under the same pretext. Quds (Aug 5, 2004).
- The IOF surveyed land of Youbak area in *Jayyus town to the east of Qalqiliya city* to construct a new colony which will extend from Tzufem colony. In addition, the IOF set a caravan in Al Mintar hilltop area and Israeli families were settled. Al Ayam (Aug 14, 2004).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed 350 dunums of lands in 'Izbat Salman in Qalqiliya district which belong to 'Abed El Rahman Salman, Ahmad Sa'ed Shawahna and the heirs of Hussein Quzmar. Wafa (Aug 18, 2004) .

### Gaza

- The IOF staged into the western camp of Khan Yunis and demolished 9 Palestinian houses. Among the owners, the following were known: Khalid Al Haj, Shihda Sahwail, 'Ali Shalola, Muhammad Al Zarabi, Ahmad Abu Matrod, Musa Abu Reziq, Fatima Al Bazrari and Safiya Shalola. Quds (Aug 3, 2004).
- The Palestinian Research center assured that the IOF razed 2300 dunums of agricultural lands in Beit Hanoun town during the last invasion to the

- town and another 1500 dunums east of Jabalya and Beit Lahya towns, demolished 52 Palestinian houses, out of which, 9 were completely demolished, whereby the IOF razed 7 water wells and transferred about 36 Palestinian houses into military barracks. Quds (Aug 3, 2004).
- The IOF staged into the western camp of Khan Yunis and demolished 9 houses which belong to: Zaki Nasir, Muhammad 'Abed El Hadi, Shihda Sahwail, Mahmoud Hyneidak, Salah Hyneidak, 'Ali Abu Shamala, Ahmad Mansour, Mariam Mansour and Suma Abu El Khar. In addition, the Israeli troops partially demolished the house of Ramadan Ahmad in Qlaibu area located to the east of Beit Lahya, north of Gaza Strip, whereby the IOF surrounded 40 Palestinian houses in Al Sayfa area to the north of the Gaza Strip with military tanks. Quds (Aug 4, 2004). [For more details, click here](#)
  - The IOF razed vast areas of agricultural lands cultivated with Citrus trees in Tel El Za'tar and Al Sika areas north of the Strip. Some lands are owned by Al Dahnun family and demolished the walls that surround the houses of Hasan 'Afana and Safiya family. Quds (Aug 5, 2004) .
  - The IOF demolished 22 houses in Yibna camp in Rafah, among of which, 17 houses were completely demolished and displaced 48 families (220 dwellers), whereby 3 houses were partially demolished and displaced 4 families (30 dwellers). Quds+ Al Ayam (Aug 5, 2004).
  - In a report issued by the Palestinian center for human rights ([PCHRGAZA](#)) in the Gaza Strip assured that in the last incursion to Beit Hanun city, the IOF completely demolished 15 houses and another 280 were severely damaged, whereby 3800 dunums of agricultural land cultivated with Citrus, Fruits and Olives trees were razed north of Gaza. Quds (Aug 7, 2004).
  - The Israeli bulldozers staged into Abu 'Eida area to the east of Al Qarara town north of Khan Yunis and razed vast areas of lands cultivated with Olives trees belong to: Al Fara, Abu 'Eida and Al Astal families. In the meantime, the IOF demolished the wall that surrounds the house of 'Adle Al Qudra. Wafa (Aug 8, 2004).
  - The IOF demolished seven houses in between completely and partially in Block (J) in Rafah camp. Houses belong to: Fathi Muhammad Al Masri, Naser Al 'Attar, Farouq Rabe', Basam 'Awad, Kamal Muhammad Abu Zuhri, Muhammad 'Adel Rabe' and Mahdi Abu Zuhri. Wafa (Aug 8, 2004).



- The IOF staged into Al Sha'ut camp on the Palestinian-Egyptian borders and completely demolished 15 houses in the area. Not forgetting to mention that the IOF demolished completely four houses and partially demolished one in the camp yesterday. Al Ayam (Aug 10, 2004)
- The IOF staged into Al Sad El 'Ali area north of the western camp of Khan Yunis and razed vast areas of agricultural lands in the area. Wafa (Aug 11, 2004).
- The house of Ahmad Al Sharef was partially burned in the western camp of Khan Yunis south of Gaza Strip due to the heavy shelling the area received. Quds (Aug 11, 2004).
- The IOF demolished several number of houses in Khan Younis city to the south of the Strip. The houses are owned by Abu Mustafa family along with two other houses owned by Abu Madi and Abu Yousef families. Wafa (Aug 11, 2004).
- The second floor of the two-storey house of 'Eid Abu 'Ayash in Tel El Sultan area to the west of Rafah city was severally damaged due to the shelling the house received. Wafa (Aug 12, 2004) .
- The IOF staged in Al Sha'ut area to the south of Rafah district and completely demolished three houses. The houses belong to Abu Nabil Natat (two-storey house), Khaled Abu Madi, Saleh Abu Mustafa and Fakhry Abu Mustafa. Moreover, five houses were partially demolished in the area; among the owners, the following was known: 'Awad Al Jamal. Quds+ Wafa (Aug 12, 2004).
- The IOF razed 70 dunums of agricultural lands in Beit Lahya town located close to Eli Senai Israeli settlement which belong to Al Khalil, Ma'rouf, Al Mashrahawi and Khudair. Three artesian wells were also demolished by the IOF during the last few days. Al Ayam (Aug 12, 2004) .
- The IOF staged into east of Gaza city and Al Zaytoun neighborhood and razed tens of dunums of agricultural lands belong to Al Wahidy and Al Bar'ashy families. Wafa (Aug 13, 2004).

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- The IOF took over the houses of Abu Kamal Al Hatw and Abu Muhammad Kasab to the east of Gaza city and transferred them into military watch points. Wafa (Aug 13, 2004).
- The IOF razed some areas surrounding Nitzanet settlement and the industrial zone in Beit Hanoun city to the north of the Strip. Wafa (Aug 13, 2004).
- According to Khan Yunis governor, the Governorate's total losses since the beginning of the second Intifada reached to \$ 420 million as the IOF razed 8946 dunums of agricultural lands for colonial expansions, demolished 55 artesian wells , uprooted 97695 trees and completely demolished 560 houses out of 5700 and displacing 1200 families. Quds (Aug 13, 2004).
- The IOF staged into Al Sha'ut area to the south of Rafah city and demolished 11 houses along with an apartment owned by Mahmoud Al Masri and a Villa owned Fayek 'Abed El Hamed Al Masri constructed over 300m of land, and destroyed his 2 dunums field. Moreover, the Israeli bulldozers razed his 5 dunums of lands planted with Olives Trees. Al Ayam (Aug 13, 2004).
- The IOF razed tens of dunums of lands planted with Olives in Al Zaytoun neighborhood to the east of Gaza city and owned by Haji, Al Dahdouh and Al Omrain families. Wafa (Aug 15, 2004).
- The IOF took over the building of Yousef Bahlul in Al Brazil neighborhood and razed agricultural lands near the Palestinian-Egyptian borders. Wafa (Aug 16, 2004) .
- The IOF staged into Qishta neighborhood on the Palestinian-Egyptian borders and completely demolished 11 Palestinian houses. Al Ayam (Aug 16, 2004).
- The IOF issued an order to confiscate 346 dunums of agricultural lands to attach the lands to the nearby Israeli settlement Morag for military and security reasons. Lands belong to: Abu Hamida, Abu Jazar, Dhaher, Qishta, Al Sha'er, Abu Zeid, Al Laham, Al Agha and Dahlez families. Quds (Aug 17, 2004).
- The IOF constructed new military base to the north of Khan Yunis city. The new military base was constructed on the heap rubbles of two Palestinian residential towers each composed of five floors and supplied with 6m cement blocks and barbed wires. Wafa (Aug 17, 2004).
- The IOF incurred into Al Brazil neighborhood to the east of Rafah city and completely demolished three buildings after planting them with heavy

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- explosive devices. 50 dwellers were displaced due to the demolition process. Al Ayam+ Quds (Aug 18, 2004) .
- The house of Ahmad Al Ja'bary was demolished in Al Shaja'iya neighborhood to the east of Gaza city due to the shelling the area received by the IOF. Al Ayam (Aug 18, 2004).
  - The IOF staged into Deir El Balah city and razed vast areas of agricultural lands in Bra'im area whereby a well owned by 'Abed Allah Bra'im was demolished. Moreover the IOF erected a trench around Kamal Al Luh house before turning it into military barrack. Wafa (Aug 19, 2004) .
  - The IOF demolished an industrial workshop owned by Saleh Al Riyashy in Al Zaytoun neighborhood to the southeast of Gaza city along with another workshop owned by Hisham Al Hitw in 'Askola neighborhood in Gaza city, causing severe damages to the nearby houses. Wafa (Aug 20, 2004).
  - The IOF demolished Al Kafrawy factory in Al Salam neighborhood to the southeast of Rafah city. In addition, the IOF demolished several number of houses in the area. The houses of Abu Ahmad Al Sadody, Rostom 'Ewayda were known. Not forgetting to mention that the IOF caused sever damages to the three houses owned by Talal Tamraz. Wafa (Aug 19, 2004) .
  - The Israeli bulldozers staged into Al Barabikha area in Khan Yunis city under heavy barrage of gunfire and completely demolished six houses owned by: 'Ali Abu Shamala, Hamdan Abu Luly, Muhammad Al Zaraby, Nahed Abu Reziq, 'Ali Henaydik and Muhammad Henaydik along with another six houses which were partially damaged and belong to: Hasan Abu Reziq, Husam Abu Reziq, Muhammad 'Abed El Hadi, Ahmad Laqan, Arafat Abu Reziq and Ahmad Abu Reziq, displacing 125 inhabitants. Wafa+ Al Ayam (Aug 20, 2004).
  - The Israeli settlement activities increased inside colonies of Gaza Strip during the month of August. During the second week of August, the IOF razed vast areas of lands southeast of Nitzarem settlement and erected a new road of 500m<sup>2</sup> area south of the colony. Intensive agricultural activities took place in Rafah Yam colony in Rafah south of the Strip which included housing expansions, two watch towers were constructed to the east of Morag colony to the north of Khan Yunis and a 5m concrete fence was constructed between Gani Tal and Nave Dekalim settlement. Wafa (Aug 23, 2004).



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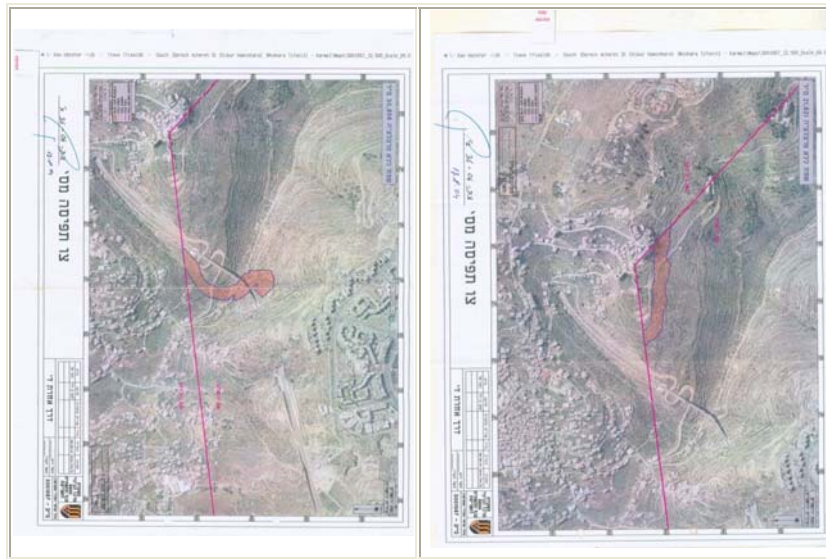
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- The Israeli bulldozers razed vast areas of agricultural lands in Abu Maghaseb area northwest of Al Qarara town to the north of Khan Yunis district. Lands belong to Al 'Abadleh and Al Astal families. Wafa (Aug 24, 2004) .
- A group of Israeli settlers added new caravans in the western part of Netzarim colony, located to the south of Gaza city to expand settlement border. Moreover, other settlement activities are taking place in Gane Tal, Rafah Yam, 'Atzmona and Morag settlements in the Strip. Arabs 48 (Aug 25, 2004).
- The IOF incurred into Al Sha'ut camp in Rafah city and demolished five houses. Among the owners, the house of Al Khateb family was known. Wafa+ Arabs 48 (Aug 26, 2004).
- In a report issued by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) assured that the IOF completely demolished 568 houses in Rafah and displaced 3800 Palestinian citizens during the month of May 2004. Quds (Aug 26, 2004).
- The IOF split Gaza Strip into three sections and setting up roadblocks close to Gush Qatif and the central colony of Netzarim. Haaretz (Aug 26, 2004).
- The IOF staged into Al Mughraqa village to the south of Gaza city and razed about 20 dunums of lands mostly cultivated with Olive and Citrus trees. Lands belong to Abu Kamil, 'Ashour, Al 'Akad and Hajaj families. Al Ayam (Aug 26, 2004).
- The IOF staged into Block (J) in Rafah camp south of the Gaza Strip under heavy barrage of gunfire and completely demolished 13 houses and displaced 100 dwellers. Quds (Aug 27, 2004).
- The IOF constructed two military bases on three dunums of land owned by Jenayd and Abu El Kheir families in Abu Safiya area to the southwest of Beit Hanun city. The military bases were supplied with barbed wires, cement blocks and earth mounds. Arabs 48+ Al Ayam (Aug 30, 2004).
- Governor of Khan Yunis assured that the losses of the agricultural sector reached to \$ 31 million since the beginning of the second Intifada up today. Quds (Aug 29, 2004).
- The IOF uprooted 200 Olive trees and razed 10 plastic houses in Umm El Qrays area to the north of Rafah district. In addition, the Israeli bulldozers razed 20 dunums of agricultural lands cultivated with Olives, Almonds, Figs and Vegetables and belong to the heirs of Ibrahim Abu Dhaher. Wafa (Aug 31, 2004) .

## Bethlehem

- The IOF continued their construction activities at the northern entrance of Bethlehem city by erecting a new passage to relocate Gilo 300 checkpoint 220m to the southern part of Bethlehem to attach Rachel Tomb area, Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque, the Islamic cemetery and the northern part of Bethlehem city under the Israeli control. As a result, Palestinian landowners will not be able to access their 8000 dunums of agricultural lands located at the northern part of the wall. Quds (Aug 1, 2004). [For more information, click here](#) .
- The Israeli Army distributed two new military orders for two new segments of the Segregation Wall set to penetrate the cultivated (with olive trees) lands of Beit Jala town. The new military orders hold numbers (04/36/A) & (04/36/B) are to confiscate 66 Dunums of Beit Jala town lands; 33 dunums at the designated site of each military order. ARIJ (Aug 2, 2004). [Click here for more details](#).



- The Israeli bulldozers razed 70 dunums of lands in Beit Jala town near the bypass road No. 60 and uprooted 500 Olive trees as part of military order n0 **04/32/T distributed in April** and declared the confiscation of Palestinian Land for the Segregation Wall. The order **has been put into effect since August 2004** and will cause the seizure of **345 dunums of land (86 acres)**, out of which Israeli already started working on 70

dunums. Lands belong to: Al Hathwa, Abu 'Amsha, Abu Ghattas and Mukarker families. Quds & ARIJ (Aug 3, 2004). [Click here for more details.](#)



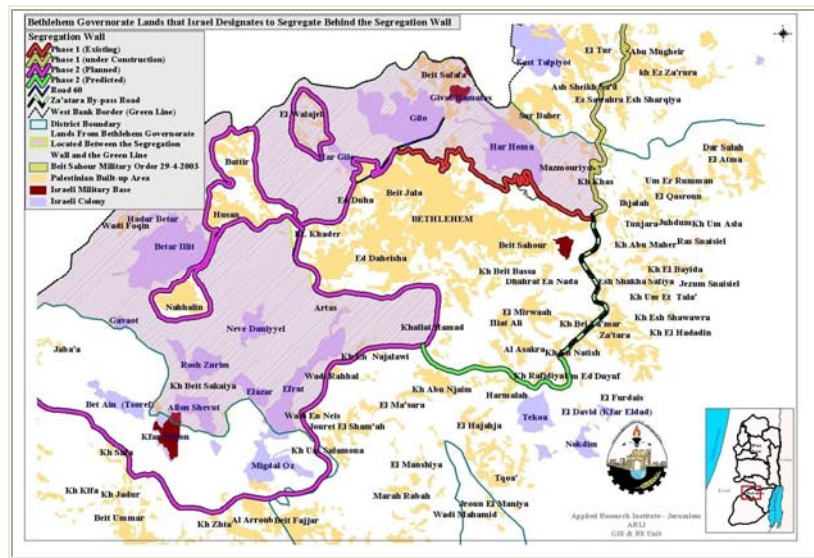
- The IOF uprooted 200 fruitful trees in Al 'Asakira town east of Bethlehem city, to continue constructing the bypass road, which will connect the colonies of Abu Ghneim and Afrat together. Al Ayam (Aug 4, 2004). Click here for more information.
- The IOF dynamited the two-storey house of Helmi 'Abed El Karim Hamash in Ad Duheisha refugee camp after planting it with explosive devices without pre-notification, giving the family no time to salvage any of their belongings. 18 dwellers were displaced. Wafa (Aug 5, 2004)
- The IOF ordered resident Ghneim Muhammad Ghneim to stop constructing his house in Al Khadr village, west of Bethlehem city. Not forgetting to mention that the house is located within the master plan. Wafa (Aug 7, 2004).
- The IOF handed military orders to the residents Deeb 'Abed Allah Sabatin, Hasan 'Abed Allah Sabatin and Khalil Sabatin to leave their 50 dunums of agricultural lands cultivated with Olives and Vegetables in Husan village to the west of Bethlehem city under the pretext of their location close to the Segregation Wall path. Wafa (Aug 7, 2004).
- The IOF dynamited the two-storey house of Shadi and Muhammad Issa Ma'ale in Ad Duheisha refugee camp, southwest Bethlehem city, causing severe damages to the nearby houses. Wafa (Aug 8, 2004).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed 3 dunums lands and uprooted 100 trees of Olives, Beach and Apricots in Jinata village to the east of Bethlehem city which belong to Ahmad 'Awad to construct a new road that connects Har Homa colony (Abu Ghneim) south of Jerusalem with the Israeli colonies east of Bethlehem city. Quds (Aug 10, 2004).

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- The IOF continued razing the 3500 dunums of lands in Khalet Al Nahla area in Wadi Rahhal village to the south of Bethlehem city which the Israeli bulldozers started razing two weeks ago to erect the bypass road which separates Bethlehem city from its eastern and southern rural areas reaching to Wadi Rahhal village. Wafa (Aug 10, 2004). [Click here for more information.](#)
- The Israeli bulldozers razed three dunums of agricultural lands cultivated with fruitful trees along Rafidya road leading to At Ta'amra village, southeast of Bethlehem district to erect [a bypass road that connects Tekoa colony with Tuqu' town](#). Land belongs to Ahmad Salahat. Wafa (Aug 10, 2004).
- A group of Israeli colonists destroyed 200 Grape and beach trees cultivated in 10 dunums of agricultural lands in 'Ein Qassis area to the west of Al Khadr village south of Bethlehem city and hindered Palestinian landowners from accessing their lands. Wafa (Aug 12, 2004).
- The IOF handed residents of Khallayel Al Louz area to the southeast of Bethlehem military orders to confiscate 134 dunums land out of the 3500 dunums threatened to be confiscated to construct the bypass road which will isolate then southern and the eastern rural areas in Bethlehem. Landowners were hindered from accessing their lands. Wafa (Aug 12, 2004). [Click here for more information.](#)
- The Israeli Supreme court issued an order to stop constructing part of the Segregation Wall over 200 dunums of lands in Beit Jala city according to the restraining order handed out to the residents. This part of the wall, if completed, was supposed to connect Gilo and Har Gilo colonies with Gosh Atzion block of colonies and cause the isolation of 4000 dunums of land inside the Wall. Moreover, the Israeli civil administration is planning to erect a new bypass road that connects Gosh Atzion block of colonies with Jerusalem city from the west of Al Walaja village. Quds (Aug 15, 2004).
- The IOF started razing 1500 dunums of agricultural lands between [Artas and Wadi Rahhal villages](#) to the south of Bethlehem for the Segregation Wall. Moreover, the IOF razed lands in Bakosh area near the bypass road No. 60 in the western part of Al Khadr village south of Bethlehem city. Wafa+ Quds (Aug 16, 2004).



- Colonists of Elazar, southwest Bethlehem city took over 400 dunums of lands planted with Olives, Grapes and Almonds on a mountainous hill “Khalet Al Dhaher” in Al Khadr village to the west of Bethlehem city and constructed seven caravans in the area. Among the owners, ‘Ali Abu Al Hatab was known. Quds (Aug 20, 2004).
- The IOF handed military orders to Abu Ra’ba, Abu Daya and Salahat families to confiscate 1600 dunums of lands planted with Olives in Al Baq’a area in Tuqu’ town south of Bethlehem city to expand road No. 86 that connects Tequ’ town with Beir El Ma’ area in Al Sheiukh and Beir Sa’ed areas to become 2km length and 40m width. Wafa (Aug 25, 2004).
- The Israeli chief commander Moshe Keplenski issued orders to reroute the project of attaching Rachel Tomb area and Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque to the Israeli control. According to the order, the houses that were supposed to be segregated inside the Israeli borders will now become out. On the other hand, the main entrances of Bethlehem will be sealed off by concrete blocks. Quds (Aug 31, 2004). [For more information, click here.](#)



## Jenin

- The IOF took over three houses owned by Diab, Faris and Ahmad Malaha in Silat El Harthiya town to the northwest of Jenin city and transformed them into military watch points. Quds (Aug 2, 2004).
- The IOF took over a residential building in Silat Al Harithiya town to the northwest of Jenin city, inhabited by Muhammad Sa'ed Qafaf and turned it into a military post. In the time, the IOF hedged the commercial houses in the town with barbed wires and hindered the owners from accessing them. Al Ayyam (Aug 25, 2004).
- The IOF destroyed vast areas of agricultural lands cultivated with Olives and Almonds in Ya'bad village to the west of Jenin city. Wafa (Aug 27, 2004).
- The house of Ahmad Mismar in Khalet Al Sufa in Jenin city was severely damaged due to the shelling the area received. Wafa (Aug 30, 2004).
- The IOF took over the residential building and other two houses owned by Hussein, Majed and Naser 'Atiya in Silat Ad Dhaher town to the south of Jenin city and transformed them into military bases. Wafa (Aug 31, 2004).

## Hebron

- The IOF issued two military orders to confiscated more than 10,000 dunums of lands located close to 1967 borders in the villages and towns of Hebron district for the Segregation Wall process. The first order is to

confiscate 5585 dunums with 5940m length and 100m width from Surif, Nuba, Kharas, Tarqumiya and Beit Ula towns and the second order is to confiscate 4331 dunums with 5388m length and 100m width from the lands of Beit Al Rush, Al Majd, Al Burj and Deir Al 'Asal villages southwest of Hebron city. Quds (Aug 1, 2004). [For more information, click here.](#)

- Colonists of Beit Hadasah Al Dabbo in Hebron city took over the house of Tahbob family and hedged it with barbed wires and hindered the owners from accessing their house. Quds (Aug 1, 2004).
- The IOF took over the house of Nasri Muhammad 'Ali Da'na in Wad El Nasara neighborhood near Qiryat Arba' colony and turned it into a military barrack. Al Ayam (Aug 2, 2004).
- The IOF demolished the house of 'Ayid Thabit Abu Sharikh and three water wells which belong to Abu Sharikh family, Muhammad Hamad Abu Sharikh and Khader Muhammad Hasan Mansiya in Ad Dhahiriya town under the pretext of not having building permits. Quds (Aug 4, 2004).
- Colonists in Hebron city erected and expanded the 300m length road that connects Ramat Yashai colony with the old city of Hebron and supplied the area with infrastructure equipments. Quds (Aug 6, 2004).
- The IOF broke into the Islamic charity in Bani Na'im town east of Hebron city, and caused severe damages to the properties and sealed it with Oxygen. Quds (Aug 6, 2004).
- The IOF took over the house of Naser Badwan Da'na in Wad El Nasara neighborhood to the east of Hebron city and turned it into a military barrack. Al Ayam (Aug 9, 2004).
- The IOF took over Al Waqf building in the old city of Hebron and transformed it into a military post. Not forgetting to mention that the IOF demolished about [ten historical and touristic buildings](#) in the old city to erect the so called "Prayers road" that connects the Ibrahimi Mosque with Qiryat Arba' colony in the east of Hebron city. Wafa (Aug 10, 2004).



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- The IOF broke into the Islamic charity committee in Hebron city caused severe damages to the properties. In addition, the IOF handed the owners of the committee military orders to close the committee until the 23rd of March 2005 and sealed off the entrances with Oxygen. Wafa (Aug 12, 2004).
- The IOF took over Burj Al Mizan mall in Hebron city and transformed it into a military watch point. Wafa (Aug 19, 2004) .
- More than 30 dunums of lands planted with fruitful trees were destroyed along with 4 houses were severely damaged in Wad Al Nasara neighborhood due to the deliberate pumping of the "solid waste" coming out from the nearby Qiryat Arba' colony to the east of Hebron city and being pumped into the cultivated land of the neighborhood . Quds (Aug 19, 2004) .
- The IOF took over the uninhabited house of Walid Al Ja'bary in Wad Al Hasen in Hebron city and turned it into a military barrack. Al Ayam (Aug 21, 2004).
- The Israeli committee for planning and construction handed out two military orders to residents RabeH Mustafa Al Rajaby and 'Ala' Hashim Mustafa Jaber in Al Buwerah and Khalet Al Quba areas east of Hebron city to stop constructing their houses under the pretext of not having building permits. Wafa (Aug 22, 2004).



- The IOF took over the house of Othman Mahmoud Da'ys in Al Hawuz area to the south of Hebron city and transformed it into military barrack after forcing all dwellers to evacuate the house under the threat of weapons. Quds (Aug 22, 2004).
- Colonists of Oten'il, located at the entrance of Al Samu' town to the south of Hebron city, added four new caravans to the colony on the expense of Abu Shaykha family lands. Wafa (Aug 29, 2004).
- The IOF dynamited the two houses of Martyrs Ahmed Kawasme and Nasim Muhammad 'Ali Al Ja'bary in Hebron city after planting them with explosive devices, causing severe damages to three other nearby houses. Haaretz (Aug 31, 2004).

## **Nablus**

- The IOF took over several number of houses and buildings in Nablus city which belong to: 'Abdo, Nimer, Nasef and Al Desoky families and transformed them into military watch points. Wafa (Aug 10, 2004).
- A Palestinian center for monitoring the Israeli violations in Nablus district assured that Israel is planning to settle about 3000 French colonists in Ariel colony to enforce the Jewish existence in the colony. Not forgetting to mention that each year, according to the report, Israel constructs an average of 3100 housing units in colonies of the West Bank. Wafa (Aug 11, 2004) .
- The IOF took over the houses of Fahem Al Hashash, Abu Hasan Al Masri, Abu Naser Al Hashash and Abu Fadi AL Hashash in Balata refugee camp in Nablus and transformed them into military watch points. Wafa (Aug 11, 2004).
- The IOF dynamited the house of Martyr Yousef Hanahy in Beit Furik town to the east of Nablus city, turning it to a heap of rubble and displacing three families. Wafa+ Al Ayam (Aug 13, 2004).
- The IOF took over the residential buildings of Nasef and Al Dardouk families along with the houses of Mosnar and Malhes families turning them into military barracks. Wafa (Aug 16, 2004).
- The IOF took over the house of Abu Ramzi Abu Zahra, Kalbuna and Abu El Hayat buildings in 'Ein Beit El Ma' camp to the west of Nablus city and turned them into military barracks. Wafa (Aug 18, 2004).
- The IOF took over the house of Al Sayed family in Wad Al Bathan to the northeast of Nablus city and transferred it into a military watch point. Not

- forgetting to mention that the house is still under construction. Wafa (Aug 18, 2004).
- Colonists of Itamar mowed 150 Olive trees in the western entrance of Beit Furik town. Wafa (Aug 19, 2004).
  - The IOF demolished the house of Martyr Muhammad AL Ghul in 'Ein Beit El Ma' camp to the west of Nablus city. Quds (Aug 19, 2004).
  - The IOF dynamited a historical building in the old city of Nablus and took over several number of houses, turning them into military watch points. Among the owners, the following were known: 'Akasha, 'Akob, Hawash, Abu Zanat, Al 'Anabtawy and Al Ratrout families. Quds (Aug 22, 2004).
  - The IOF constructed new earth mount at Al Fawwar checkpoint at the entrance of Tal town, southwest Nablus city. Quds (Aug 24, 2004).
  - A parallel incursion occurred in Asker outskirt and refugee camp, coupled with the imposition of curfew and the taking over of a building an apartment belongs to Eyad Al Shourti in Askar outskirt, turning it into a military post. IPC (Aug 24, 2004).
  - The IOF closed all the entrances to 'Askar camp near Nablus city with earth mounts and barbed wires and took over a residential building in the camp owned by Al Nadi family, turning it into a military post. Quds (Aug 25, 2004).
  - The IOF dynamited the first floor of the two-storey house of Munther Nayef Sunobar in Yatma village 17km to the south of Nablus city after planting it with heavy explosive devices, displacing 15 dwellers. Wafa (Aug 25, 2004).
  - The IOF took over Al Nabulsy building in Jaffa Street in Beit 'Ein El Ma' camp and transformed it into a military barrack. Wafa (Aug 29, 2004).

### **Tubas**

- The IOF erected several numbers of trenches around Samra valley to the east of Tubas city to expand the military base in the area. Wafa (Aug 10, 2004).
- The Israeli authorities are willing to construct a passage on a pre-confiscated land north of Bardala village. This passage will contain a police station, Taxes and custom sections along with prison. Wafa (Aug 22, 2004).

### **Tulkarm**

- Israeli surveyors surveyed lands in Far'un and Khirbet Jubara villages in Tulkarm district preparing to confiscate the lands. Moreover, the IOF installed cement blocks at the southern entrance of Tulkarm city to construct the gates of the Segregation Wall. Wafa (Aug 14, 2004) .
- The IOF took over Abu Al Aqran building in Tulkarm camp and transformed it into a military barrack. Quds (Aug 16, 2004).
- Colonists of Avnei Hefetz put fire into 150 dunums of agricultural lands cultivated with Olives and Almonds in Shufa town to the southeast of Tulkarm city. Lands belong to Abu Hamdan family. Wafa (Aug 18, 2004).

### **Ramallah**

- The IOF stopped constructing part of the Segregation Wall in Budrus village to the west of Ramallah city as a response to the appeals handed to the court by residents. Quds (Aug 31, 2004).

### **Salfit**

- The Israeli colonists razed a piece of land owned by Tayseer Jabara 'Abed Allah near Deir Balut town to the west of Salfit city and hedged it with barbed wires in an attempt to attach it to the colony. Quds (Aug 19, 2004).
- The IOF uprooted several number of Olive trees in Marda village in Salfit city which belong to Muhammad 'Ali Fayad to expand an existing colonial road. Quds (Aug 22, 2004).

### **Jericho**

- The IOF demolished without pre-notification several number of barracks and confiscated agricultural properties owned by 'Abed El Hadi Ghayad Al Salamen in Tammun town to the north of Jericho city. Wafa+ Quds (Aug 25, 2004).

### **Others**

- The Israeli minister of Defense Shaoul Mufaz approved the construction of 300 new housing units out of 2000, on a hill top to the west of Ariel colony, north of the West Bank. Wafa (Aug 8, 2004).

- The Israeli ministry of Defense assured that since March 2001, the IOF constructed 28 indiscriminate outposts in the West Bank. The indiscriminate outposts are listed in the following table:

1.	Giv'at Sal'et
2.	Mizpe Yizhar
3.	Hill 725
4.	Havat Yaer
5.	Nove Nahame
6.	Giv'at Harda
7.	Beit Adam
8.	Havat Gil'ad
9.	Ginot Ariah
10.	Mizpe Asaf
11.	Tal Binyamin
12.	Magron
13.	Nabe'ot school (Orneh military base)
14.	Mizpe Hananal
15.	Ma'ale Rahba'am
16.	Beit 'Ein (West)
17.	Hazon David
18.	Sadeh Kalb
19.	Mizpe Lakesh
20.	'Ash-hal
21.	Yater (south-west)
22.	Giv'at Abergal
23.	Havat Me'on
24.	Tequ' (D)
25.	Mavo Horon farm
26.	Rohom Al Homri
27.	Havat Shaked

The ministry also assured that 2,9,11,17,18,24 outposts were dismantled. Quds (Aug 13, 2004)

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- The Israeli newspaper published tenders for constructing 1,001 new housing units in settlements of the West Bank. The tenders included 42 housing to be constructed in Karne Shamron settlement, 214 housing units in neighborhood "B" east of Ariel settlement, 141 units in Ma'ale Adunmim, and 604 units in Betar 'Illit colony. Moreover, new tenders will be published in the coming months and will include the addition of 156 units to Giv'at Ha'ar Sina settlement, 99 housing unit to Afrat settlement, 118 to Betar 'Illit settlement, 132 to Gave' Benjamin settlement and 128 housing unit in Ariel settlement. Arabynet (Aug 17, 2004). [For more details, click here](#)
- Israel "land administration" office is planning to construct 533 new housing units in West Bank settlements. The plan is to construct 200 housing units in Har Gilo settlement, 101 units in Har Adar settlement, 134 in Adam settlement and 98 housing unit in Emanuel settlement. Moreover, the administration is willing to expand Jerusalem city from the southern and the eastern parts to market 150 housing units in Har Homa settlement establish on Abu Ghneim mountain, 48 housing units in Pisgat Zeev and 36 housing units in Gilo settlement. Arabynet (Aug 23, 2004). [For more details, click here](#)
- The Israeli Prime minister Ariel Sharon and the Defense minister Shaoul Mofaz claimed that 85 out of 104 outposts in the West Bank have been dismantled since March 2001; whereby they are working on dismantling another 22 illegal ones. Haaretz (Aug 23, 2004)
- The Israeli ministry of Defense announced that the part of the Segregation Wall extending from Beit Aharon and Makabim checkpoint through Road 443 which connects Jerusalem city and Modu'in settlement together will be excluded as Israel will take other security measures to guarantee the safety of Israeli passengers using this road. The ministry also assures that 12 wall reroutes were taken into consideration in Jerusalem city which will cost NIS 25-35 millions, and will consume a total land area of 19,000 dunums instead of the 34,000 dunums that were supposed to be confiscated for the wall constructions in the area between Elkana and Ofer military camp. Arabynet (Aug 24, 2004)
- In a report issued by the Palestinian national information center assured that since the beginning of the second Intifada in September 2000 till July 2004, the IOF completely demolished a total of 6757 houses in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, out of which 4022 were completely demolished in the Strip. The report also showed that a total of 59107 houses were

- partially destroyed by the IOF in the West bank and Gaza Strip, out of which 19143 were in Gaza and confiscated a total of 208705 dunums for the Segregation Wall process, razed 68011 dunums, uprooted 1134471 fruitful trees and demolished 288 water wells. Quds (Aug 25, 2004)
- The IOF demolished 30 Palestinian houses in Umm Mintan village and a commercial center which belongs to Salim Abu 'Asa in Abu Talol village in the Negev. In the meantime, the IOF are demolishing another 10 houses in Umm Mintan village. Arabs 48 (Aug 25, 2004)
  - The IOF delayed the dismantling of three caravans placed illegally near Giv'at Assaf outpost, located between Beit El and Ofra settlements. In addition, the IOF evacuated two caravans from Noffei Nehemia outpost, near Rachalim to the south of Nablus city. It is worth mentioning that twelve mobile homes are still composing the outpost. Haaretz (Aug 26, 2004)
  - Intensive settlement activities are taking place in the Golan Heights as 190 housing units were sold since the beginning of year 2004. Quds (Aug 30, 2004)

Total Israeli violations in the Occupied territories and Gaza Strip

Governorate	Land Confiscated (Dunum)	Land Threatened (Dunum)	Uprooted Trees	Houses Demolished	Houses Threatened to be demolished
Bethlehem	3776	395	1000	4	0
Jerusalem	0	0	0	11	48
Jenin	0	0	0	0	0
Tulkarem	0	0	4125	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	0	0	150	4	0
Salfit	0	0	0	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	464	0	1025	115	0
Qalqilyia	350	0	0	12	40
Hebron	10030	0	0	3	2
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14620	395	6300	149	90

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