Bethlehem

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided the house of the Suleiman Ashour Salah in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city, searched and messed with its contents. The IOA attacked and beat his released daughter Sana' Salah before handing Mos'ad (38 years old) a notification to interview the Israeli Intelligence in Gush Etzion settlement bloc south of Bethlehem city. The IOA also handed Ayman Ishak Salah (25 years old) notification to interview the Israeli Intelligence. Al Ayyam (March 5, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided and searched the house of Jamal Sliman Shantiya (55 years old) in Al 'Ubeidiya town in Bethlehem city and handed his son Mahmud (25 years old) a notification to interview the Israeli Intelligence in Etzion settlement bloc south of Bethlehem city. Al Ayyam (March 7, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army detained Palestinian family in Al Khader village south of Bethlehem city while they were cultivating their lands near Eli’zer settlement established on the lands of village. The IOA ordered the family to stop working in the lands under the pretext that all in the lands and confiscated agricultural equipments and 100 olive trees awaiting cultivation. Also, the Israeli Army prevented farmers from entering the lands another time or they will be arrest. Al Quds (March 8, 2012).
• Israeli settlers stole 230 olive seedlings after uprooting from the agricultural lands located in Khillet Um Al-Fahim owned by local residents of Al Khader town near Eli’zaer settlement. Al Quds (March 9, 2012).

• The Israeli local committee for building and planning approved to issue license to build 55 housing units in Abu Ghniem settlement "Har Homa" north of Bethlehem city. According to the plan; it will build 5 new buildings in addition to the existing ones, and each building will consist of 11 housing units. This plan comes as plan of Har Homa "B" and it will allow the construction of 4000 housing units, of which 3000 are already built. Al Quds (March 9, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army manning Al container checkpoint closed the checkpoint in the face of Palestinians and started checking ID cards. This has caused an obstruction to the vehicular movement. Al Quds (March 12, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided number of Palestinian houses in Tqu’ town, conducted military and searched operations, also the IOA set up sudden checkpoints searched Palestinian cars and checked residents ID cards. Al Quds (March 12, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army demolished a car wash shop owned by Firas Sabri Shusha in Hussan village west of Bethlehem city. Al Ayyam (March 15, 2012).

• The Israeli district committee for planning and building in the Jerusalem Municipality announced about a new plan to confiscate 1235 dunums of lands of Al-Walajeh village south of Jerusalem city to be designated as national parks entitled "Amik Rfatim". The targeted lands are owned by local residents of Al-Walaja village and will include parking alot and a number of public buildings such as; tourist buildings on 50 dunums of lands, an information center and a restaurant. It is worth mentioning that the plan will be implemented in the area where 'Ein Al-Hinyia, one of the popular springs in the village, is located. Al Ayyam (March 21, 2012).

• The Israeli occupation bulldozers razed 20 dunums planted with Olive and Almond trees in Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city. The lands are owned by resident Khalil Abdel Rahman and are located in the vicinity of Neve Daniel settlement. Wafa (March 22, 2012).
The Israeli occupation army handed resident Husam Kamal Shakarneh from Nahhalin village southwest of Bethlehem city an order to halt the construction at his 120 square meters house under the pretext of lacking building permits. The house is inhabited by 7 family members and is located in 'Ein Al Balad area opposite to Betar Illit settlement. Wafa (March 23, 2012).

The Israeli settlers destroyed 85 Olive seedlings planted in the land of resident Khader Issa Abu Ghalyoun in Ein Al Qassic area west of Khader city in Bethlehem Governorate. Wafa (March 24, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation Army and bulldozers accompanied by a settler called Hanania closed the only agricultural road that links Palestinians with their 7000 dunums of agricultural lands in Ein Al Qassic and Thahr Al Riyah west of Al Khader village in Bethlehem Governorate. It is worth mentioning that the aforementioned settler built an outpost in the targeted areas and has been trying to take over lands adjacent to the outpost in an attempt to expand it. In addition, the Israeli closure to the road will hinder Palestinian land owners from accessing their lands and will pave the way for the confiscation of the lands. Safa (March 25, 2012).

The unfinished separation wall around the West Bank will run between a Palestinian village and a large park proposed for Jerusalem's southern edge - a move that would make it tougher for local Palestinians to reach their agricultural land. Construction in that area began over the past year. Palestinian Farmers would have to cross through a gate to reach their land. The park, if approved, will cover 5,000 dunums (1,250 acres) and serve as one segment of parkland around Jerusalem's western edge. It will include forests, recreation sites, hiking paths and parking areas. The Jerusalem Development Authority launched plans for the park several years ago in conjunction with the Israel Nature and Parks Authority and the Jewish National Fund. When planning was begun, the park featured unobstructed views, but over the past year, the Defense Ministry has begun building the separation fence in the area, separating the park from Walajeh in the West Bank. The fence will cut villagers off from agricultural land and the park, which are on the Israeli side of the separation fence. The Israeli development authority claims that the entire park is within Jerusalem's municipal boundaries and that the plans do not address land ownership. They also do not call for the expropriation of
privately-owned land, the authority says. In any event, there is no intention to expropriate privately-owned land," the authority said in a statement. "Most of the area already serves as a national park, and the expansion is being carried out to protect nature and the landscape." Ze’ev Hacohen, a planner at the Israel Nature and Parks Authority, noted that Walaja residents would still be able to work their land. He said the village’s farmers would be able to cross the fence at a gate, although he acknowledged that the barrier would make access more difficult. Haaretz (March 26, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation army manning the container checkpoint south of Bethlehem Governorate attacked resident Omar Adel Abu Ghlayoon and caused injury to him. Wafa (March 27, 2012)

Jenin

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided Zabuba village west of the city under the cover of intense shooting; clashes broke between the Army and the residents. Also the Army set up military checkpoint at the entrance of the village, stopped Palestinian cars, searched and checked their ID cards. Wafa (March 2, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army accompanied by special forces raided Jenin city and took over residential building owned by Naser Al-Fourmin in Al Jbariyat neighborhood, and detained the owners of the building in one room. Furthermore, the IOA raided Qabatyia town and patrolled its Army vehicles in the streets of the town, no arrests were reported. Al Ayyam (March 5, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided a number of Palestinian houses and handed out 3 citizens from Misliya village in Jenin city notifications to interview the Israeli intelligence in Salim military base west of the city. The notified residents are: Iyad Tareq Abu Na’im (22 yaers old), Amin Ezat Abu Al-Rab (23 years old) and Diya’ Fawaz Abu Al-Rab (12 years old). The IOA also raided a chicken farm owned by Abd ’Amir Hanyasha. Al Quds (March 6, 2012).

- The Israeli settlers under the protection of the Israeli Occupation Army set up a checkpoint near the evacuated Homish settlement south of Jenin city at the main street that link Nablus Governorate with Jenin.
The IOA stopped and checked Palestinians cars. Al Quds (March 7, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army confiscated 15 Palestinian vehicles in Barta’a ash Sharqiya village south of Jenin city; the IOA also raided the commercial market and the industrial area Al Ayyam (March 8, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided two houses of released prisoners; Ahmad Walid Abu Srur and Mohamad Fayez Shni’at in Jenin city, questioned them for hours and threatened to re-arrest them if they practice any political activity. Al Ayyam (March 8, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation soldiers set up a military checkpoint at the entrance of Zabuba village west of Jenin, detained a number of Palestinians cars and checked drivers’ ID cards. Al Ayyam (March 8, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army stormed and took photos of a number of Palestinian houses in Rummana and Zabuba villages in Jenin city; of the stormed houses, the following were known: Salim Mustafa Al-Ahmad, Nidal Al-Ahmad, Rgheb Abd Al-Rahim, Jamil Kamel Abu Baker and Riyadh Bishnaq. Furthermore, the IOA set up military checkpoints at the entrances of the villages, and started checking the ID cards of the citizens. Al Ayyam (March 16, 2012).

- The Israeli occupation army carried out military maneuvers in Yab’ad’s village valley in Jenin Governorate and raided Zabuba village while firing tear gas bombs, few were injured due gas Inhalation. Wafa (March 18, 2012).

- Officers of the Israeli water authority accompanied by the Israeli occupation army raided Al Yamun, Tinnik and Kafr Dan villages west of Jenin city under the pretext of searching for unlicensed water wells. The officers had three water wells on their registry files. Wafa (March 18, 2012).

- The Israeli occupation Army set up a sudden military checkpoint at the road linking Qabatyia town with Jenin’s southern villages and started checking Palestinian vehicles and ID cards. The IOA also arrested Mahmoud Al Haj Saleh Kameel from Qabatyia town at a sudden checkpoint set up by the army and took him to unknown destination. Safa (March 19, 2012).
• The Israeli occupation authorities delivered notifications to four residents in Tura Al Gharbiya village south of Jenin to interview the Israeli Military intelligence in Salim Military Base. The notified residents are: Ameer Mahmoud Qabha (18 years), Fadi Omar Rafiq Qabha (20 years), Anas Nihad Qabha (20 Years) and Murad Mahmoud Qabha (19 Years). Al Ayyam (March 20, 2012)

• The Israeli occupation army raided the house of Prisoner Bassam Al Sa’di from Jenin Refugee camp and tried to arrest his son Suhaib who wasn’t in the house. The Army threatened the family and messed with the contents of the house and confiscated cell phones and other contents. Safa (March 22, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Al Bara’a society headquarter and The Orphan house in Jenin city for the third time in one year after destroying their door entrances. The IOA messed with the contents of the two societies and renewed their closure. Safa (March 22, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided ‘Anin village west of Jenin city, surrounded Omar Ben Al Khattab Mosque and took photos of it from all directions. Safa (March 22, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) raided the house of Fayyad Dabak in Tubas city, messed with its contents and handed his son Imad a notification to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Salem detention center in Jenin Governorate. The IOA also stormed the house of Rohi Ad Dabak and messed with its contents. On the other hand, the IOA raided Jaba’ and Zabuba villages in Jenin Governorate and carried out intensive house to house searches. Wafa (March 25, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Jaba’ village south of Jenin city and carried out a thorough search to the village’s open spaces and outskirts and set up a sudden military checkpoint at its entrance and checked Palestinian cars. Safa (March 25, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Ya’bad village southwest of Jenin city and stormed the houses of Jamal Sadeq Abu Baker, Nizar Hilmi Abu Baker and Abdel ’Afo Abu Baker, searched them and checked their ID cards after interrogating them for more than 6 hours. No arrests were reported. Wafa (March 26, 2012).
The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Rummana village and stormed the house of the prisoner Sari Faraj Muhammad Sbeihat (23 years) allegedly for arresting him although he is already a prisoner in the Israeli jails. The IOA interrogated his family and searched the house. The IOA also raided the house of As’ad Rifa’I under the pretext of searching for his son Noor, who wasn't present in the house at the time the Israeli raid to the house. Wafa (March 27, 2012).

Israel decided to keep the checkpoint No. 101 located between Baqa Ash Sharqiya and Baqa Al Gharbiyah closed to Palestinians accessing areas inside the 1949 Armistice Line (Green Line). Al Quds (March 27, 2012).

**Jerusalem**

- The Israeli Jerusalem Municipality workers and the Israeli Nature Authority handed out military order to demolish a tent (shelter for horses) and a Gas station in Wadi Hilwa playground in Silwan village east of Jerusalem city. According to the military order, the Municipality ordered to remove the tent and the gas station within 12 hours. The Jerusalem Municipality workers tried to confiscate equipments in the playground, where residents stopped them. Wafa (March 1, 2012).

- As a result of the Israeli ongoing excavations under the streets to construct tunnels heading towards to Al Aqsa mosque; a landslide occurred in the main street in Wadi Hilwa neighborhood extending from the western side of Al Aqsa mosque to Al Bustan neighborhood in Silwan town. The collapse was near Al ’Ein mosque and Al Muslim kindergarten. Al Ayyam (March 4, 2012).

- The Israeli occupation Authorities issued a renewal to the Israeli military order No. 19/07/t which was issued back in October 2007 and confiscates 1128 dunums of Abu Dis, Arab As Sawhara, Al Khan Al Ahmar and An Nabi Musa in East Jerusalem for the construction of the "Fabric of life" road. The order extends the confiscation of lands of the aforementioned Palestinian communities till 2014 to allow for the implementation of the road. For more information, click here Al Quds (March 4, 2012).

- The Committee against the wall and settlements in Jerusalem revealed that a plan is being prepared by the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem to
take over the Islamic museum near Bab Al Magharba and turn it into a synagogue. Wafa (March 5, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army stormed Ras Al- Amud mosque in Silwan town, questioned the prayers and handed them notifications to interview the Israeli Intelligence. Wafa (March 6, 2012).

• The Israeli High Court issued a decision to implement the evacuation order to the houses of released prisoners in Al-Ashqaria neighborhood in Beit Hanina. The targeted houses owned by Khalid Sliman Al Natsha with 110 meters square and Tareq Arafat Al-Natsha with 90 meters square. Al Quds (March 6, 2012).

• The Israeli district committee for planning and building approved to build 185 housing units in Ramat Shlomo settlement north of Jerusalem city, so as to link the settlement with the Israeli bypass Road no.20 which will be linked with road no.443 (Tel Aviv-Jerusalem) through Modi’in settlement. Al Quds (March 6, 2012).

• The Israeli newspaper of Yorshalim reported that the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem plans to establish commercial shops, Cafes and restaurants in the area of Haskell Lake in the old city of Jerusalem in an attempt to transfer it into a tourist area. The lake area is about 3 dunums and is located 200 meters away from Bab Al Khalil, Daoud tower and behind the tourist office. Al Quds (March 10, 2012).

• The Yorshalim newspaper revealed that a plan to build 7 towers in the Ma’ale Adumim settlement in Hikert square area, which is 32 dunums of lands with 147 units. According to the plan, it will transfer the area into residential buildings of 750 housing units. Al Quds (March 10, 2012).

• Number of Israeli settlers attacked Abu Janba family in Ash Shikeh Jarah in Jerusalem city by sprayed them with gas and threw stones at the, causing injury to the family members .Al Quds (March 12, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation bulldozers relocated the gate located at the eastern entrance of Beit Iksa village near Ramot settlement northwest of Jerusalem city to a location inside the village’s boundary in attempt to confiscate more lands of the village. The Israeli Occupation Army hindered citizens from entering the lands threatened of confiscation and also prevented citizens from reaching their houses under the
pretext of military purpose. Husam Awad, a Palestinian resident forbidden from reaching his house, where the Army turned it into a military post. Al Quds (March 13, 2012).

- The Israeli Crews of the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem raided commercial stores located near the bus station in Bab Al-Amud area, and handed their owners orders to close the stores, under the pretext of failing to comply with the conditions imposed by the Municipality and to re-build and expand the area. Al Quds (March 13, 2012).

- Palestinian citizen Mo'tasim Farah from Beit Hanina in Jerusalem city was forced to demolish his 30 square meters house addition by his own hands to avoid paying a fine of 80 thousand NIS for the Jerusalem Municipality. Mr.Farah was notified at earlier time to demolish an addition to his house otherwise, the Israeli bulldozers will do so and he will pay the demolition expanses. Al Quds (March 13, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army stormed Shu‘fat neighborhood in Jerusalem city and conducted military operations in the area under the pretext that a Palestinian citizen tried to stab an Israeli soldier in the train station. Al Quds (March 16, 2012).

- The Israeli occupation army raided the house of the released prisoner Samer Al Isawi in Al Isawiya Town in east Jerusalem and gave Samer’s family a notification for an interview at the interrogation and Detention center in Jerusalem. Wafa (March 19, 2012).

- Al-Aqsa foundation for Endowment and Heritage revealed that the Israeli police and Army officers stormed Al Aqsa mosque during the last two days. These raids might be prelude to more break in by the Israeli settlers during the Passover. Al Ayyam (March 20, 2012)

- The Israeli occupation authorities and several Jewish settlement institutions are preparing to finish the tunnels that were excavated under and around Ain Silwan compound and head towards the southern wall of al-Aqsa mosque. The settlement institutions and the Israeli authorities have completed the digging and are now ready to put gates at the entrances of the tunnels. The tunnels threaten Muslim control over Ain Silwan compound that includes ‘Ein Mosque, a Muslim kindergarten and shops belong to the Awqaf Department for Islamic Affairs in Jerusalem. In addition, due to the excavation of tunnels in recent months, there has been a proliferation of dust in the
area as well as the occurrence of several landslides, fissures and cracks in nearby buildings in the neighbourhood of Wadi Hilweh. PNN (March 22, 2012).

- Israeli settlers announced their intention to take over more Palestinians houses in the Sheikh Jarrah and Beit Hanina neighbourhoods in East Jerusalem and to drive out their residents. The settlers' plans were explicitly proclaimed by Aryeh King – a past militant of the "Jewish Underground". According to King, the settlers intend to take over four houses Beit Hanina and two additional houses in Sheikh Jarrah "very soon". PNN (March 22, 2012).

- The Israeli guard police raided an elementary school in Ras Al 'Amoud neighbourhood in Silwan city and arrested a 11 years old boy for throwing stones at Israeli military Jeeps and the school's secretary. Al Quds (March 22, 2012).

- The Israeli High court rejects an appeal filed by Human Rights organizations (Muwatin and Hamoked) which calls to stop revoking Jerusalemites ID cards and grant them the status of "protected residents". Al Quds (March 22, 2012).

- The Israeli 'reconciliation' Court west of the city of Jerusalem ordered the deportation of resident Elias Al A'war (16 years) from Silwan city south of Jerusalem to Jabal Al Mukkabir southeast of Jerusalem city and imposed on al A'war's family a fine of 5000 NIS and a house arrest until the court’s session. Al Quds (March 22, 2012).

- The Israeli Court ordered resident Adel Hasan Tamimi to demolish his own house in the old city of Jerusalem, near Al Laqlaq Tower, by himself or pays for the cost of the demolition if he doesn’t demolish the house himself. The house is 100 square meters area and is inhabited by 7 family members. Al Quds (March 22, 2012).

- Israel ratified the construction of 156 new housing units in the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim east of Jerusalem and 50 other units in the settlement of Efrat south of Jerusalem. The new housing units in Ma'ale Adumim will constitute a new neighborhood in the settlement entitled "Novei Haseli" and will be built at a cost of NIS 120 Million. Wafa (March 24, 2012).
• The Israeli financial committee at the Municipality of Jerusalem allocated 20 million NIS to renovate the Jewish cemetery in Mount of Olives. Wafa (March 24, 2012).

• More than 20 Israelis gathered in Bab al-Rahmah cemetery near the eastern wall of the Al-Aqsa Mosque to perform prayers, insulted the cemetery yard and jumped on graves, breaking two gravestones belonging to the Nayroukh and Abu Sbeih families. The Israelis left the cemetery after the guard threatened to call the police. Maannews (March 25, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and surrounded Al Thahra neighborhood in Al Isawiya town in east Jerusalem. Wafa (March 27, 2012).

• Israeli settlers continue their attacks at Bab al-Rahmah cemetery and gravestones near the eastern wall of the Al-Aqsa Mosque in an attempt to transfer part of the Cemetery into a Talmudic park. ARN (March 27, 2012).

• Crews of the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem raided Silwan town and handed over demolition orders to five Palestinian families in Ein Al Louza ND Beer Ayyub. Another demolition order was given to resident Muhammad Odeh (24 years) who owns a 100 square meters store for construction materials. Al Quds (March 27, 2012).

• More than 100 Israeli Occupation soldiers and settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque through Al Magharba gate, toured the facilities of the Mosque and settlers tried to perform religious rituals in the courtyards of Al Aqsa Mosque. Wafa (March 28, 2012).

• A number of Israeli settlers and under the protection of Israeli Occupation Police tried to take over two Palestinian houses owned by Khaled Suleiman An Natsheh family in Al Ashqariya neighborhood in Beit Hanina east of Jerusalem city. Settlers threatened to again attack the houses since they failed to take over the houses during this raid operation. Israeli Settlers attempts to take over the houses come under the pretext that a Jewish settler bought the land in 1980. It is worth mentioning that the area of the threatened houses is 210 square meters and is inhabited by 22 people. ARN (March 28, 2012).
• The Israeli Occupation Authorities hindered Jerusalemites aging less than 40 from entering Al Aqsa Mosque on Friday, which marks "Land Day" and the old city of Jerusalem. Wafa (March 30, 2012).

• The Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided the house of Maher Yousif Ibeed in Al Isawiya town in Jerusalem, searched it and messed with its contents using sniffer dogs. Al Quds (March 30, 2012).

• The Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided the houses of Khaled An Natshe and his son Suleiman in Al Ashqariya neighborhood in Beit Hanina, search it and messed with its contents, destroying some of the furniture. Al Quds (March 30, 2012).

• Officers of the Israeli Tax Authority raided a store for construction materials owned by Abu Taya family in 'Ein Al Louza neighborhood in Silwan and confiscated some of the store’s material. During the raiding process, Mr. Abu Taya was forced to pay an amount of NIS 10 thousand to restore the material that was confiscated from his store. Al Quds (March 30, 2012).

Hebron

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Ad Dahriya town south west of Hebron city and detained Mohamd Yousef Yassin Al Makharza (14 years old); In addition to that, the IOA conducted military and search operations in Surif town north west of the city and raided a number of Palestinian houses and handed citizens notifications to interview the Israeli Intelligence. Wafa (March 4, 2012).

• The Israeli High court will look into the case of evacuating the Israeli settlers who took over Palestinian store shops in the old city of Hebron. The stores are owned by Abdel Jawad and Abd Al Razeq Al-'Awiwi, and were closed by the IO authorities since the year of 2000. Al Ayyam (March 5, 2012).

• An Israeli news site revealed that the Israeli Occupation Army is seeking to issue a license for establishing 'A Security Wall" near the bypass road in Beit Ummar town north of Hebron city to protect the Israeli settlers from stone throwing. The settlers use the bypass road connecting between the Gush Etzion settlement block and Qiryat Arba’
settlement in Hebron which witnesses intensive stone throwing. Wafa (March 5, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army set up military checkpoint at Jura Bahlis area in the northern entrance of Hebron city, at the entrance of Nabi Yunis in Hahul town and at the entrance of Al Fawar refugee camp, conducted military operations, checking the ID cards of Palestinians causing obstruction to the vehicular and pedestrian movements. Al Quds (March 7, 2012).

• The Hebron Rehabilitation Committee succeeded to implement a decision issued by the Israeli High court to evacuate settlers from the stores of Abd Jawad Al-'awiwi and Abd Al-Razeq Al-'awiwi near Abraham Avino settlement in the old city of Hebron Al Quds (March 8, 2012).

• Israeli Occupation Army shot and killed Palestinian citizen Zakaria Jamal Mohamad Mussa Abu 'Arram (16 years old) during clashes broke between the Army and the citizens in Yatta town south of Hebron city while they were trying to arrest the released prisoner Khalid Mussa. Al Ayyam (March 10, 2012)

• Group of Israeli settlers attacked 3 international activists and stole their cameras while they were in a tour for monitoring the Israeli violations in Ash Shuhada Street in Hebron city. Al Ayyam (March 10, 2012).

• A number of Israeli settlers of Asfar settlement and under the protection of Israeli Occupation Army attacked the Palestinian citizens and the international activists while they were planting 400 olive trees in threatened lands east of Yatta town in Hebron city. The lands are owned by sons of Mohamad Mustafa Al-Shalda. The IOA prevented activists from working in the land and confiscated agricultural equipments, and uprooted what has been planted, under the pretext that the lands classified as "Closed military area". Al Quds (March11, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Rabud village south of Hebron and stormed the house of Ghazi Hribat and the house of Yousef Abd Alla Al-Khadori from Bani Na'im town east of the city. Al Ayyam (March 12, 2012).
The Israeli Occupation Army raided Yatta town south of Hebron city, and handed two citizens notifications to interview the Israeli Intelligence in Etzion settlement block. The notified residents are Sadam Ysr Abu Aram and Diab Samir Abu Qbeta. Moreover, the army set up a sudden checkpoint at the entrance of Al Fawwar refugee camp, Sa’ir and Idhna towns, searched Palestinian cars and checked residents ID cards. Al Quds (March 12, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation Army attacked the house of Ishak Sh’aib Al-Maharma in the old city of Hebron, detained the family members and threw them with tear gas bombs before searching the house. Al Quds (March 12, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation Army handed out Yehya Saed Abu Odeh Jaber a notification to demolish an agricultural pool he owns in Al Baq’a area east of Hebron city near Qiryat Arba’ settlement. Al Quds (March 12, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation Army with 10 of Army vehicles and bulldozer raided Hila Al-Whaddin area in Surif town west of Hebron city and uprooted 165 of olive, almonds trees owned by Mohamad Ahmad Ghnimat, where the Army put material on the trees in attempt to not grow again. Also, the Israeli bulldozers razed 12 dunums of agricultural lands planted with olive and almonds trees owned by the heirs of Ahmad Abd Al-‘Ati Al-Qaddi and destroyed stone chains and a fence around the land. Furthermore, the Army demolished water well with capacity of 120m³ establish in 2008. Al Quds (March 12, 2012).

Azmi Al-Shayoukhi, the secretary General of the Popular Committee against wall and settlements in Hebron warned of an attempt to divert the ownership of 600 dunums of lands southwest of Hebron city to the Israeli Authorities. The targeted lands are located in area "C" which according to Oslo II Interim Agreement of 1995, falls under the full Israeli control. Wafa (March 12, 2012).

The Israeli settlers of Beit ‘Ayn settlement located on the lands of Beit Ummar town uprooted 15 olive trees, 31 grapes trees and destroyed 8 dunums of lands in Wadi Abu Al-Reesh north of the town. The uprooted trees are owned by Hamad Jaber Slabi and his brothers. Al Ayyam (March 13, 2012).
• The Israeli Occupation Authority issued military order to close the Ibrahimi mosque preparing for the Passover, a Jewish holiday and festival celebrating the exodus of Israelis from Egypt. Wafa (March 12, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Idhna, Dura, Ad Dahriya and Yatta towns, set up military checkpoints at their entrances, stopped Palestinian cars and checked their ID cards. Al Quds (March 13, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army gave a military order to remove the electricity line in Al-Ramadeen town south of Hebron city. Al Ayyam (March 14, 2012).

• Israeli settlers under the protection of Israeli Army attacked 6 volunteers working for the Palestinian Agricultural Department and the municipality of Hebron city in Tel Al Rumedia area. The IOA, prevented the volunteers from working in the land owned by Abu Haikel family and checked their ID cards. Al Quds (March 14, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Authority started some expansion works in Shim'a settlement near As Samu' town south of Hebron city, to expand the settlement and construct a road that will link the settlement with the bypass road number 60 from the northern side. PNN (March 13, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided the house of released prisoner; Hisahm Amin Ghnimat, from Surif town west of Hebron city and handed him notification to interview the Israeli Intelligence. Al Quds (March 14, 2012).

• Israeli settlers of Mitzad Shimon settlement uprooted and confiscated 240 olive trees awaiting cultivation and almonds trees from Palestinian lands in Al Sa'er area east of Sa'ir town in Hebron city. The settlers prevented citizens from working in the lands and forced them to leave the place after the Israeli Army threatened to do so. Al Quds (March 14, 2012).

• Israeli occupation soldiers razed Palestinian farmlands that belong to local residents of Al-Majnoua area south of Hebron city in order to expand a military base located at the top of Al Musharraf Mountain, south of Hebron. The army illegally confiscated the private Palestinian lands, installed a watch tower, and launched a surveillance balloon to
monitor the area from the sky. The Israeli occupation army also destroyed pools built dozens of years ago to collect rain water to be used in agriculture in the area under the claim that the pools “jeopardize the security of the soldiers based at a nearby military camp. Maannews (March 14, 2012).

- A group of Israeli settlers expanded the illegal Negahot settlement outpost on the expense of privately owned Palestinian lands in Dura city in Hebron. Local sources reported that, a few days ago, the settles brought several trucks loaded with cement and construction materials. The settlers then started the construction of several units in the western side of the illegal settlement while the army was heavily deployed in the area. Some settlers even illegally took-over privately-owned Palestinian lands in the area, fenced them, and hooked the area with running water. It is worth mentioning that there are around 10 settler families living in the illegal outpost; protected by dozens of Israeli soldiers. The army also installed roadblocks around the outpost and prevented Palestinian traffic from driving nearby. On the other hand, Israeli soldiers invaded Beit Ummer town, north of Hebron, and confiscated several Palestinian vehicles and confiscated driving licenses from several Palestinian residents.imemc.org (March 14, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided and searched the house of Mohamad Ahmad Abd Al-Salam Al-'Alami in Al-Mantara area north of Beit Ummar town north of Hebron city and forced the family to get out of the house. Al Quds (March 17, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided and patrolled its army vehicles in Halhul, Ad Dahiriya and Yatta towns and Bab Al Zawiya neighborhood in Hebron city. The settlers stormed Hadb Al-'Alqa and Abu Al-'Asja villages south of Dura and conducted military operations in the areas. Al Ayyam (March 18, 2012).

- Five Israeli settlers from the illegal Israeli outpost of Havat Ma'on south of Hebron attacked a Palestinian shepherd from At-Tuwani village, south of Yatta, while grazing on Meshaha Hill. The group of settlers warned the shepherd not to come back to the land near the outpost anymore as all that land is “their property and of the whole Jewish people for thousands of years”. The settlers, shouting and imposing themselves physically, pushed the shepherd away until the bottom of the hill, where one of them chased and threatened an International volunteer, who was accompanying the shepherd. While
escaping the volunteer dropped two mobile phones, which were immediately picked and smashed with a rock by the settler. This is the third attack perpetuated by the settlers in the last week in Meshaha. Wafa (March 18, 2012).

- Israeli settlers of Ramat Yishai settlement attacked Palestinian houses in Tel Ar Rumeida area, chased children and detained the child Younis Al 'Azza for almost an hour. Of the attacked houses, the house of Hashem Al 'Azza was known. The Israeli occupation army threatened to continue their attacks, arrests, and taking over Palestinian houses in the area. Al Quds (March 19, 2012).

- Two Palestinian people were injured in Hebron during a raid by Israeli soldiers. Israa Salaymah (16 years old) sustained a head injury after soldiers pushed her violently after raiding her family’s home. Mustafa Abu Sleima sustained bruises after soldiers assaulted him in his home. The military conducted overnight raids in the Tel Rumeida area and in al-Shuhada Street, evacuating residents from their homes. Maannews (March 18, 2012).

- The Israeli occupation Army intensified its activities in Tarqumya, Halhul, Yatta and Hebron outskirts, set up sudden military checkpoints and checked in Palestinian cars and Palestinians' ID cards. Al Quds (March 20, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Authority handed Mohanad Mahmud Ahmad Al-Aqrat military order number (149766) to halt construction at his 250 square meters house under the pretext of lacking building permits in Hahul town north of Hebron city. The targeted house consists of 2 floors. The hearing session is scheduled to be on April 22, 2012 in Beit 'Il settlement to look in the demolition of the house or to return it to its previous state. Al Quds (March 21, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided the house of Khader Abd Al-Mihsen Al-'Alami (42 years old) in Beit Ummar town north of Hebron city and handed his sons Mohamad (20 years old) and Mamduh (19 years old) notifications to interview the Israeli Intelligence. Al Ayyam (March 21, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Halhul and Beit Ummar towns in the north OF Hebron city, Yatta and Ad Dahriya towns in the south and a number of neighborhoods in Hebron Governorate,
stopped Palestinian cars, searched them and checked Palestinians ID cards. Wafa (March 22, 2012).

- The Palestinian local popular committee against the Wall and settlements in Kherbit Susyia southeast of Yatta town revealed about Israeli threats to demolish Palestinians’ residential structures in the Kherbit and forcibly deport them from the area based on a demand filed to the Israeli court by Regavim movement (a social movement established to promote a Jewish Zionist agenda for the State of Israel) claiming the residents of Kherbit Susiya erected an illegal outpost in the area. Al Quds (March 22, 2012).

- The Israeli Military Court asked in its session held in Ofer military camp west of Ramallah city to deport 8 Palestinian children 30 kilometers away from their houses in Beit Ummer Town under the pretext that they constitute danger on Israeli settlers driving on Jerusalem – Hebron Road (Bypass Road 60). The Children are: 'Ayesh Khalid Sabri 'Awad (17 years), Basel Khaled Hasan Abu Hashem (15 years), Zain Hisham Khalil Abu Maria (15 years), Sami 'mer Ahmad Abu Jodeh (16 years), Saed Imad Muhammad Al Sleibi (16 years), Muhab Jawdat Nadi 'Adi (14 years), Bilal Mahmoud 'Ayyad 'Awad (16 years) and Ahmad Mahmoud 'Ali Al Sleibi (16 Years). Al Quds (March 22, 2012).

- Around 100 Israeli settlers of 'Otniel settlement raided a building in Bir Al Sabe' street in Hebron city after being closed by the Israeli occupation army. The settlers give the building the name "Otniel Ben Kinar Grave" and consider it as a "Holy and sacred Jewish place". It is worth mentioning that the house was inhabited by Palestinians and was occupied by settlers few years ago. Safa (March 23, 2012).

- The IOA also set up a number of sudden checkpoints at the entrances of Al Fawwar Refugee camp in the south, An Nabi Younis in the north and Idhna town in the West. Wafa (March 23, 2012).

- Israeli occupation army set up a sudden military checkpoint at the only road linking Hebron Governorate with the remaining Palestinian Governorate (Jerusalem-Hebron road (Bypass Road 60)) and detained a number of Palestinian cars driving on the road and checked in their ID cards. Safa (March 23, 2012).
The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of the released prisoner Su'od Ahmad Ibrahim Zma'ra from Halhul city north of Hebron city and handed him a notification to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Kfar Etzion north of Hebron. Wafa (March 25, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) and police issued traffic tickets to tens of Palestinian cars driving on Jerusalem Hebron Road (Bypass Road 60) and at the entrance of Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city. The value of the tickets ranged between 500 and 1000 NIS, while some cases were transferred to Israeli courts. The IOA stormed a number of commercial stores at the entrance of Beit Ummer town, thoroughly searched them under the pretext of looking for contraband. Wafa (March 25, 2012).

The Israeli occupation army (IOA) verbally notified residents of Kherbit Susiya south of Yatta town in Hebron Governorate to evacuate the area. The area is inhabited by 30 Palestinian families and a school. Maannews (March 25, 2012).

An Israeli settler shot live bullets at resident Muhammad Hisham Abu 'Aker (18 years) in Bab Al Khan area in the old city of Hebron and injured him in the leg. Wafa (March 27, 2012).

Israeli settlers uprooted a number of Olive seedlings in Al Reheyieh village south of Hebron city owned by Al Tubasi family. The targeted seedlings are planted in a piece of land adjacent to Beit Hagai Settlement in Hebron. Safa (March 27, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation army handed over resident Hussein Ghneimat a notification to demolish a number of water wells he owns in Kherbit Abu Musa west of Surif Town. Safa (March 27, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation Army raided a number of Palestinian houses in Al 'Asida and Al Baten areas in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city and handed a number of Palestinians notifications to interview the Israeli Police Intelligence. Of the Palestinians, the released prisoner Ibrahim Fathi Mahmoud 'Awad (21 years) was known. Wafa (March 28, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation Army set up a sudden checkpoint at Sinjer street in Dura Town in Hebron Governorate for many hours and
caused obstruction to the movement of Palestinians on the only road leading to southern Hebron communities and Bir As Sabe’. ARN (March 28, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army set up a sudden checkpoint at Kharsa Junction south of Dura Town and another sudden checkpoint at Ad Dhahriya town entrance near ASI Sorra area. The IOA also erected two other sudden checkpoints near Beit ‘Awwa southwest of Hebron city. ARN (March 28, 2012).

- The Israeli occupation army confiscated 3 mobile residential structures (each is 50 square meters area) and three mobile animal pens (each is 80 square meters area) from residents of Al Rahwa south of Hebron city. ARN (March 29, 2012).

- Dozens of Israeli settlers took over an abandoned building located less than 1 kilometer from the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron Old city and named it “Machpela House”. The house is owned by Taleb Abu Rajab and is composed of 3 floors. The settlers and the army are surrounding the house and hindering residents from coming nearby. Israeli Settlers claimed that they bought the building and possess all the necessary legal documentation to prove their purchase of the building. Al Quds (March 29, 2012)

- The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) chased a number of Palestinian Children using sniffer dogs in Jabal Al Rahma area (Al Rahma Mountain area) near Ramat Yeshai settlement established on lands of Tel al Rumeida in Hebron city. The IOA chased the children in the alleys and the main road leading to their homes. Younis Dweik and Imad Harizat were among the children. Wafa (March 30, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation army raided the house of Fayez Al Wawi in Al Fawwar Refugee camp south of Hebron city and messed with its contents. ARN (March 30, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation army raided the house of Khalil Al Rajabi in the southern area of Hebron city, the house of Kamal Ahmad Abdel Hadi Abu Zuhra from Yatta town and the house of the released prison sa’id Radwan Abu Karsh in As Samou’ town. The IOA army also set up sudden checkpoints the entrances of Beit ’Awwa, Dura, Beit Ummer, Halhul, Sa’ir, Yatta, Al ‘Arroub and Al Fawaar camps. Al Ayyam (March 30, 2012)
• Tens of Israeli settlers of Beit 'Aym settlement attacked the Palestinian farmer Muhammad Abdel Hamid Jaber Al Sleibi (67 years) and his family while they were working in their land near Beit 'Ayn settlement in Beit Ummer town north of Hebron city. The attack caused a state of fear among family members. Wafa (March 31, 2012).

Qalqilyah

• Israeli settlers of Gil'ad outpost established on the lands of Far'ata village east of Qalqilyah city destroyed and uprooted tens of olive trees. Al Ayyam (March 5, 2012).

• The Israeli settlers of Kedumim settlement under the protection of Israeli Army expelled Bilal Abd Al-Ra'ouf Jom'a and Ala Deen from their lands while they were working in the lands located in Kafer Qaddum, and forced them to leave the lands before detaining them. Al Quds (March 9, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army stormed 'Azun town east of Qalqilya city, conducted military and searched operations in Palestinian houses. Al Ayyam (March 16, 2012).

• The Israeli soldiers stationed at the western entrance of Kafer Qaddum village stopped Palestinian cars heading to the village and checked the ID cards of the citizens. The IOA issued traffic ticket to Tha'er Hassan Shtawi (37 years old) of NIS 250. Al Quds (March 17, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army demolished 750 square meters farm for livestock and confiscated a mobile owned by Abd Al-Karim Ja'idi in Al-Razaza area in Qalqilyah city under the pretext that it located near the segregation wall. Al Ja'idi indicated that the Israeli officer of Jerusalem planning and building committee orally ordered him to demolish the farm, under pretext of its location, which threatens the road that links with road number 55 (known as Qalqilyah- Nablus. Al Ayyam (March 17, 2012).

• The Israeli High Court issued an order which requires the head of the Israeli Civil Administration in the West Bank to evacuate Palestinian lands owned by an Israeli settler near Kedumim settlement in Qalqilyah Governorate. According to Israeli sources, the Israeli settler
confiscated the land and planted it with olive trees, where the Court ordered to evacuate it by May 10, 2012. Al Ayyam (March 21, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army raided several Palestinian houses and messed with its contents. Of the raided houses, the following were known: Yousef Abu Hajla, Majd Abu Hajla, Nabil Yunis, Saef Omar, Ahmad Othman, Mohamd Ezat and Khalid Al-Shiekh. Al Ayyam (March 21, 2012).

- Israeli settlers attacked Ibrahim Jameel Hasan Khader and his sons while they were working in their land located near Gil'ad outpost in Jit village east of Qalqilyah city. The Israeli occupation later arrested Mr. Ibrahim (55 Years), Samed Khader (30 Years) and ‘Asef Khader (28 years). Safa (March 22, 2012).

- The cornerstone-laying ceremony for a new upper-end neighborhood, Neveh Maoz Daniel, was held at Karnei Shomron settlement. The neighborhood will include 50 new housing units. The ceremony was attended by Karnei Shomron Local Authority Head Herzl Ben-Ari, Minister Benny Begin, Yesha Council Head Danny Dayan and others. INN (March 24, 2012).

- Israeli settlers and under the protection of the Israeli occupation army put signs on some Kafr Laqef village lands east of Qalqilyah city preparing to annex it to Karnei Shomron industrial zone established on lands of the village. The targeted lands are owned by Assaf and Sahreef Jaber and are estimated at 30 dunums planted with Fruit trees. Wafa (March 29, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation army declared the Village of Kafr Qaddum "closed military zone", set up a checkpoint at its western entrance which is the only entrance that links the village with the nearby Palestinian communities and hindered the entry of the residents and their exit from the village. Wafa (March 30, 2012).

**Tubas**

- The Israeli Nature Authority accompanied by the Israeli Army chased Palestinian shepherds in the Jordan valley, and prevented them from cultivating "Al 'Akoub (Gundelia tournefortii); The IOA arrested Ashraf Al-Asmar and handed other citizens notifications to pay 5
thousand NIS if they found them planting "Al 'Akoub (Gundelia tournefortii). Al Quds (March 5, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities notified residents from Khirbet Tell al Himma and Al Farisiya to demolish their residential structures in 3 days. Al Quds (March 8, 2012).

- The Israeli occupation Authority handed Sati Zamel from Al Maleh in the northern valley military an order to halt the construction at his tent and another structure which were built ten years ago. The military order gave the owner until March 29, 2012 to file objections against the order and to issue a license to the tent, which is made of wood, burlap and nylon. Wafa (March 14, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Army gave military orders to halt the construction and demolish a barracks in 'Ein Al-Helwa in the Jordan valley and to demolish 2 pools and bathrooms. Maannews (March 14, 2012).

- The village council of Al-Malih in the Jordan valley indicated that the Israeli Army vehicles and the Israeli nature Authority (INA) conducted military and search operations in the Jordan valley and 'Ein Al Hilwa area and imposed restrictions on the residents in the area. The head of the village council; Mahmud Al-Ka‘abna; revealed that the Israeli authority continue with its policy to displace the Palestinians from their lands in attempt to build illegal Israeli settlements and expand existing ones. In addition, the INA does nothing to stop the Israeli Army bulldozers from destroying tents, residential structures, barracks…etc. Al Quds (March 20, 2012).

- The residents of Al-Malih in the Jordan valley indicated that tens of Israeli settlers raided the area and chased the sheep. JVS (March 21, 2012).

- Tens of Israeli settlers of Masskiyot settlement intensified their attacks against Palestinian Shepherds of Al Hammamat area as to hinder them from grazing their sheep in the area. Settlers toured in the area where the Shepherds live, chanted and tried to provoke the Shepherds. Safa (March 22, 2012).

- The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished six residential tents and four animal pens in Tel Al Himma area in Tubas Governorate
belonging to Palestinian families under the pretext of being built in an area classified by Israel as "Closed Military Zone. DWG (March 26, 2012)

- The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished three animal pens belonging to two Palestinian Families from Al Farisiyeh village in the northern Jordan Valley allegedly for building without permits in area "C". DWG (March 26, 2012)

- Four Israeli settlers attacked the house of resident Hani Al Fuqaha in Kherbit Jabaris in Al Maleh area, messed with its contents and drove him out of the area. NBPRS (March 28, 2012).

**Ramallah**

- Palestinian citizen Muhammad Taysir Abu Awad (19 years old) was injured as result of clashes broke between the Israeli Army and Palestinians at 'Atara military checkpoint north of Ramallah city. Wafa (March 5, 2012).

- Israeli settlers raided spring water in Qarawet Bani Zeid north of Ramallah city, attacked Palestinian citizens near the spring water, and fired live bullets in the air before withdrawing from the village. Al Ayyam (March 7, 2012).


- Israelis settlers of Nahl’iel settlement near Beit Ellu village west of Ramallah city destroyed and uprooted about 80 olive trees owned by Mohammad Jebril in Al-Dahrat. Al Ayyam (March 10, 2012).

- Israeli reports indicated that the Planning committee at the Israeli Civil Administration will decide in the coming next weeks whether to allow for the activation of the sewage treatment facility in Ofra settlement. The committee approved to confiscate the lands under the pretext of "Public Purpose", and to serve the Palestinians. Al Quds (March 9, 2012).
More than 100 Israeli settlers holding Israeli flags raided Rawabi city north of Ramallah through the only road that leads to the city which is still undergoing some construction. The settlers danced and chanted in Hebrew. Al Quds (March 19, 2012)

The Israeli Occupation army raided An Nabi Saleh village northwest of Ramallah city, patrolled in the streets before storming a number of Palestinian houses and messing with their contents. The army threatened village residents to carry out measures against them if they continue to hold their weekly protests against the settlements and the wall in the village. Wafa (March 19, 2012).

Israeli Occupation Army stormed An Nabi Saleh village northwest of Ramallah city, broke into and searched several houses causing damage to personal property, before the army confiscated private property, including computers, documents and phones. The media office of the Nonviolent Resistance Committee in Nabi Saleh reported that the army also broke into its building and confiscated a computer, in addition to confiscating three computers from the house of Basem At-Tamimi, who is currently in the Israeli prisons. The Army also invaded the home of Naji At-Tamimi, the coordinator of the Popular Committee in the village, and confiscated his computer after searching his house. At-Tamimi indicated that the army also confiscated a mobile phone, USB internet adaptors, personal documents, certificates, books, and a magazine published by the nonviolent resistance committee in the village. The soldiers also confiscated magazines printed by the Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories, (B’Tselem). The attack against the village started after the army blocked all roads leading to it, and dozens of soldiers were deployed in its streets before breaking into and searching several homes. Wafa (March 21, 2012).

The Israeli Occupation Army raided more than 20 Palestinian houses in Beitein village in Ramallah city at night. The IOA gathered residents of the raided house in one room and took photos of the remaining rooms in the houses. During the raiding process, the IOA destroyed the doors of a number of houses and stores. Maannews (March 21, 2012).
• The Israeli Occupation Army demolished 3 residential structures and 5 animal sheds owned by Abed Yassin Rashaiyda, Hassan Yassin Rashaiyda and Khader Mohamad in Fasayil Al Wusta village in Jericho Governorate. Wafa (March 13, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Al Nabi Musa shrine south of Jericho city and handed its employee notifications to interview the Israeli military intelligence, and told them about their intention to carry out some restoration works. Al Ayyam (March 21, 2012).

Salfit

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Kifl Haris village east of Salfit. Eyewitness indicated that about 30 Israeli Army vehicles raided the village to secure the visit of the Israeli settlers to Islamic shrines claiming that it is Jewish shrines. Al Quds (March 9, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army notified local residents of the northern Jordan valley to demolish 2 water pools. Wafa (March 11, 2012).

• Israeli settlers of 'Etz Efrayim settlement uprooted dozens of olive trees in Beitt Abu Erzeq area in Misha town west of Salfit city. Al Quds (March 16, 2012).

• Tens of Israeli occupation army set up a sudden military checkpoint at Qana’s valley entrance in Salfit Governorate and hindered Palestinian land owners’ form reaching their lands under the pretext of opening the way for tens of Israeli settlers to tour in the valley and the springs’ area. Wafa (March 23, 2012).

Tulkarem

• The Israeli Occupation Army demolished caravans owned by the municipality of Qaffin north of Tulkarem city and destroyed all the equipments inside it including Herbicides, seedlings which were set for cultivation. Wafa (March 4, 2012).

Nablus
• The Israeli settlers of Gilad settlement established on lands of Far’ata village west of Nablus city attacked Palestinian residents in the village and destroyed 22 olive trees owned by Amin Abd Al-Rahim Tawil. Wafa (March 4, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided a number of Palestinian houses and conducted military and search operations in Yatma village south of Nablus city. Al Quds (March 7, 2012).

• Israeli settlers Eli settlement uprooted 40 olive trees in Qaryut village south of Nablus city. Al Ayyam (March 10, 2012).

• Israeli settlers of Givat Olam and Gid’onim outposts attacked and threw stones at a number of International activists and Palestinian shepherds in Yanun south east of Nablus city. Al Quds (March 12, 2012).

• Israeli settlers of Yetzhar settlement razed about 20 dunums land east of Burin village south of Nablus city owned by local Ahmad Abd Al-Fatah and they set mobile homes in the site. Al Ayyam (March 14, 2012).

• A number of Israeli settlers attacked and beat Suleiman Hassan Zaid Al-Kilani (26 years old) from Ya’bad village south of Jenin city at a sudden military checkpoint in Jenin- Nablus. Al Ayyam (March 15, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army demolished 2 houses owned by local residents of Khirbet Al-Jo’ana east of Beit Furik in Nablus city, under the pretext of being build without license due to their location in area "C". Al Quds (March 16, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided Khirbet Al Tawil near 'Aqraba village south of Nablus city and confiscated barracks and tents owned by Rafe AbdAl-Ghani Jaber. Al Quds (March 16, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided 'Ureef village south of Nablus city and set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the town. The IOA also turned the roof of Al Khatib house into a military post. Al Quds (March 16, 2012).
• The Israeli Occupation Army uprooted 50 olive trees and razed 12 dunums of lands in Al Tuyour area east of Beit Dajan village east of Nablus city. The razed lands are owned by Abu Kinan family. Al Quds (March 16, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army raided the village of Jiftlek and demolished two houses. One bulldozer and 12 Israeli jeeps arrived and surrounded the families’ houses and declared the areas as closed military zones. The first house consists of three rooms, is located in Abu al-Ajaj area and is owned by Ayman Met’eb Mahmoud Id’is. Id’is’s family was given 30 minutes only to remove their belongings from the house. It is worth to mention that three months ago the family received a demolition order. Al Quds (March 16, 2012).

• The Israelis settlers uprooted 220 olive trees owned by local residents of Duma village south east of Nablus city. Al Quds (March 17, 2012).

• Israeli settlers of Yetzhar settlement attacked the Palestinian Shepherd, Ma’moun Amen Fayez Nassar (37 years) from Madama village south of Nablus city while he was grazing the sheep in his land located near the settlement. It is worth mentioning that Mr. Nassar was attacked by Israeli settlers more than five times. Al Ayyam (March 8, 2012).

• Under the Israeli occupation army’s eyesight, Israeli settlers of Itamar settlement ploughed agricultural Palestinian lands in Al Yanun village east of Nablus city and installed water pipes to water the crops. Al Quds (March 19, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Army removed all the mounds and cement blocks in At Tur military checkpoint on the entrance of Jabal at Tur south of Nablus city. The IOA prohibited Palestinian citizens from crossing the checkpoint and were only allowed to enter upon corporation with the Israeli side. Al Quds (March 21, 2012).

• More than 1000 Israeli settlers raided Joseph Tomb under the protection of the Israeli Army and practiced religious rituals. Safa (March 22, 2012).

• The Israeli occupation army set up 2 sudden military checkpoints at the entrances of Idhna and Beit Kahel towns in Hebron, stopped Palestinian citizens and checked in their ID cards. Safa (March 22, 2012).
• The Israeli Occupation Army detained hundreds of Palestinian cars at Za’tara Checkpoint south of Nablus city, checked in their ID cards and cars. Wafa (March 25, 2012).

• Israeli settlers of Bracha attacked Palestinian farmers from Burin village south of Nablus village while they were on their way to their lands located near the settlement. As a result, one Palestinian, Ayma Lu’ai, 26 years, injured in the head after an Israeli settler attacked him. It is worth mentioning the Palestinian Civil Administration arranged with the Israeli side for the entry of Palestinian farmers with their agricultural tractors to their lands located near the settlements and that settlers have been attacking them in an attempt to prevent them access their lands. Maannews (March 26, 2012).

• Tens of Israeli settlers raided the evacuated site of Homesh settlement from Silat Ad Dhahriya and obstructed residents’ movement on Jenin-Nablus road. Wafa (March 26, 2012).

• The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished two residential structures and animal pens owned by two Palestinian families in Furosuh Beit Dajan east of Nablus city. Wafa (March 26, 2012).

• Tens of Israeli settlers demonstrated against the opening of a road that has been closed by the Israeli occupation army since the eruption of the second intifada in September 2000 and leads to Beit Dajan village east of Nablus city. Settlers tried to re-close the road. Wafa (March 28, 2012).

• Israeli settlers added 4 new mobile homes to "771" outpost established on the lands of Yanun village southeast of Nablus city. Wafa (March 29, 2012).

• Israeli settlers detained four Palestinian shepherds while they were grazing their sheep near Burin village south of Nablus city. Wafa (March 29, 2012).

Gaza
• The Israeli warplanes shelled at Palestinians fishing boats in Al-Waha area north west of Gaza city, no injuries were reported. Al Quds (March 3, 2012)

• The Israeli Occupation Army fired at a peaceful demonstration north of the Gaza strip, no injuries were reported. The demonstration is held every week against the Israeli decision to prevent Palestinians from reaching their lands in the demarcation line between Gaza strip and Israel. Maannews (March 6, 2012).

• Israeli Occupation Army moved nearly 450 meters into the Erez industrial zone in the northern Gaza Strip. They paved a dirt road in the area, amidst sporadic shooting. In the meantime, IOA closed Beit Hanoun (Erez) crossing. IOA withdrew from the area at approximately 09:30, and reopened the crossing. PCHRGAZA (March 7, 2012).

• Israeli soldiers positioned at the border between the Gaza Strip and Israel to the east of al-Bureij refugee camp in the central Gaza Strip opened fire at Palestinian areas located near the border. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 7, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a blue Opel car that was traveling in the League of Arab States Street in the southwest of Gaza, in which two leaders of the Popular Resistance Committees were traveling. The missile hit the car directly killing the two passengers and seriously wounding a civilian bystander. The victims were identified as Zuhair Mousa Ahmed al-Qaissi(49 years old), from Rafah, Secretary-General of the Popular Resistance Committees; and Mahmoud Ahmed Hanani (44 years old), from Nablus, a leader of the Popular Resistance Committees who was released from Israeli prisons and expelled to Gaza in 2006. The civilian bystander who was wounded was identified as Yahia Zakaria al-Dahshan (27 years old), and was admitted into the intensive care unit at Shifa Hospital in Gaza. PCHRGAZA (March 9, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of activists of al-Quds Brigades, the armed wing of Islamic Jihad, who were near al-Mentar Hill in the east of al-Shuja'iya neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. Three activists were instantly killed: Mohammed Khaled Harara, (24 years old), Fadel 'Obaid al-Gharabli (25 years old) and Hazem 'Awadh Quraiqe'(33 years old). PCHRGAZA (March 9, 2012).
• An Israeli warplane fired a missile that landed between two houses in the densely-populated al-Tuffah neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. As a result, Mo’men Mahmoud al-Sherafi, a journalist, and his wife were lightly injured by glass fragments, while they were inside their house, which was heavily damaged. A nearby house was also heavily damaged. PCHRGAZA (March 9, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a garage under a 4-storey apartment building in al-Yarmouk Street in Gaza City. The place was heavily damaged and 3 Palestinian civilians, including a child, were wounded. PCHRGAZA (March 9, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of activists of the al-Quds Brigades, the armed wing of Islamic Jihad in al-Tuffah neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. One of those activists, Shadi Riad al-Saiqali, 27, was killed. PCHRGAZA (March 9, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of activists of the al-Quds Brigades near the headquarters of the Palestinian Legislative Council in the center of Gaza City. Two activists were instantly killed and a third one was seriously wounded, but died of his wound two hours later at Shifa Hospital. The victims were identified as :Fa’eq Sameer Sa’ad (28 years old), Mo’tassem Diab Hajjaj( 22 years old) andAhmed ‘Abdul Fattah Hajjaj(24 years old). PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012)

• Israeli warplanes fired two missiles at a training course of the Nasser Saladin Brigades (the armed wing of the Popular Resistance Committees) in al-Mawasi area in the west of Rafah. Israeli warplanes fired another two missiles at the same site 15 minutes later. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at an agricultural plot belonging to ‘Azzam Salama Abu Halima in al-Sayafa area in the northern Gaza Strip town of Beit Lahia. As a result, a greenhouse was destroyed and 7 nearby houses were damaged, but no casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of activists of the al-Quds Brigades who were on a space area in al-Hatabiya Street in the
center of Beit Lahia. An activist sustained bruises throughout the body. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

- An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of activists of the al-Quds Brigades near Hammouda fuel station in the southeast of Beit Lahia. Two activists were killed: Mohammed Yahia Mohammed al-Mughari (24 years old) and Mahmoud Ismail Nejem (22 years old). A third activist was also seriously wounded. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

- An Israeli warplane fired two missiles at a red Kia car that was traveling on Saladin road near the entrance of the central Gaza Strip town of Deir al-Balah. A number of activists of the al-Quds Brigades were traveling in the car. The missile hit the car directly. One of the activists, Mohammed Ibrahim al-Ghamri, 26, from al-Maghazi refugee camp, was killed, and 3 others were wounded. A grocery shop belonging to Ashraf Mohammed ‘Abdul Jawad was also damaged. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

- An Israeli warplane fired two missiles at a motorcycle that was traveling on a branch road in ‘Abassan village, east of Khan Yunis. Two activists of the Nasser Saladin Brigades, the armed wing of the Popular Resistance Committees, who live in Bani Suhaila village, east of Khan Yunis, were traveling on the motorcycle. The missiles hit the motorcycle, killing the two activists who were identified as: Hussein Saleem Hassan Barham (52 years old) and Mansour Kamal Abu Nussaira (21 years old) who died shortly after having been admitted to the European Gaza Hospital in Khan Younis. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

- An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a training site of the ‘Izziddin al-Qassam Brigades, the armed wing of Hamas, to the west of al-Maqquossi apartment buildings in the north of Gaza City. A number of nearby houses were damaged, and as a result, 6 Palestinian civilians were injured by fragments of glass: Hani Mahmoud al-Masri, 19 years old) Ahmed Yousef al-Danaf (23 years old) Hamza ‘Omar al-Turkmani (24 years old) Nahish Mohammed al-Najjar (38 years old) Shaheer Jalal al-Qershalli (20 years old) and Hamdi ‘Abdul Karim Marzouq ( 20 years old). PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

- An Israeli warplane fired two missiles at Mahdi Ahmed Abu Shawish, 26, from Rafah, an activist of the Nasser Saladin Brigades, the armed
wing of the Popular Resistance Committees, when he was getting ready to ride his motorcycle in "Block J" in the south of Rafah refugee camp. Abu Shawish was instantly killed by shrapnel throughout the body. Additionally, 5 civilian bystanders, including a child, were wounded: Mohammed As’ad al-Ghouti (24 years old) from Rafah, wounded by shrapnel throughout the body; Ramzi ‘Aatf ‘Atallah, 36, from Deir al-Balah, wounded by shrapnel to the limbs; ’Abdul Hamid Mohammed al-Khatib (48 years old) from Nussairat refugee camp, wounded by shrapnel to the head; Mohammed Mahmoud al-‘Arqan, 54 years old) from Rafah, sustained bruises to the face and the limbs; and ‘Abdul Hamid ‘Emad Wahba (15 years old) from Rafah, sustained bruises to the limbs. A car belonging to Hussam Abu Zuhri was also burnt. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

- Israeli warplanes fired 3 missiles at a training site of the ‘Izziddin al-Qassam Brigades (the armed wing of Hamas) in the east of Rafah. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

- On the same day, an Israeli warplane fired a missile at a space area in the east of al-Zaytoun neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 10, 2012).

- An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of activists of the Nasser Saladin Brigades, the armed wing of the Popular Resistance Committees, who were near Doula intersection in the east of al-Zaytoun neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. An activist, Ahmed Nafez Saber Deeb, 23, was killed and two others were wounded. PCHRGAZA (March 11, 2012).

- An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of Palestinian civilians, mostly children who were playing near their houses in ‘Assaliya Street in the northern Gaza Strip town of Jabalya. As a result, Ayoub ‘Aamer Mohammed ‘Assaliya (13 yaers old) was killed, and two of his relatives, including a 7-year-old child, were wounded. PCHRGAZA (March 11, 2012).

- An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of Palestinian resistance activists to the east of the Car Market in al-Zaytoun neighborhood in the southeast of Gaza City. Two activists were moderately wounded. PCHRGAZA (March 11, 2012).
• A missile fired by an Israeli warplane landed near an agricultural plot belonging to the al-Wehaidi family in al-Fakhoura area in al-Nafaq Street in the northeast of Gaza City. As a result, the guard of the plot, ‘Aadel Saleh Fares al-Essi (63 years old) from al-Tuffah neighborhood in Gaza City, was killed by shrapnel throughout the body. Additionally, two resistance activists were seriously wounded. PCHRGAZA (March 11, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at an agricultural plot belonging to Mahmoud Isma’il Hilles in the east of al-Shuja’iya neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. A number of nearby houses were damaged, and Ahlam ‘Arraf Jundiya (18 years old), was injured in her forehead by fragments of glass while she was at home. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of activists of the Palestinian resistance near al-Khuza’id fuel station in the west of Jabalya. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a house belonging to Bahjat Mohammed Hammad near Jabalya Martyrs Elementary School in ‘Izbat ‘Abed Rabbu in the northern Gaza Strip town of Jabalya. The missile hit the first floor of the three-storey house, where 9 individuals, including 3 children live. As a result, the house was completely destroyed and 7 members of the family, including 3 children and 3 women, were wounded. Eighteen neighboring houses were also affected by the missile, 3 of them sustained heavy damages. Twelve members of the Abu al-‘Eish family, including 3 children and two women, and 7 members of the Sukkar family, including 5 children, were also wounded. The houses of the two families are adjacent to the targeted house. In addition, 350 windows, 7 wooden and 3 iron doors in the above school were damaged. Two windows from the Palestine Red Crescent Society premises were also destroyed. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a space area in ‘Abassan village, east of the southern Gaza Strip town of Khan Yunis. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at Hamada Salman Ahmed Abu Mutlaq, 20, from ‘Abassan village east of Khan Yunis, a member of the al-Quds Brigades (the armed wing of Islamic Jihad), when he was near
Abu Bakr al-Siddiq Mosque in ‘Abassan village. Abu Mutlaq was instantly killed by shrapnel throughout the body. Additionally, windows of three nearby houses were destroyed, injuring the head of two-year-old Muḥammad Eyād Abu Hamad. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at Sara Hill in the east of al-Shuja‘iyya neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a space area in al-Shuja‘iyya neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at 3 members of the al-Quds Brigades (the armed wing of Islamic Jihad), who were traveling on a 3-wheel motorcycle near al-Radwan Mosque in al-Qarara village, northeast of Khan Yunis. One of the members of resistance, Ra‘fat Jawad Adeeb Abu ‘Eid (25 years old) was killed by shrapnel throughout the body, while the two other members of resistance were wounded; one of them was in a serious condition as his legs were amputated. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012)

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at Mohammed Mustafa al-Husoumi (65 years) and his daughter Faiza (30 years old) when they were on their agricultural plot near Tal al-Za‘tar School in the northern Gaza Strip town of Beit Lahia. The old man was instantly killed, and his daughter died a few minutes after her admission in Kamal ‘Edwan Hospital in Beit Lahia. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012)

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a number of activists of the al-Quds Brigades (the armed wing of Islamic Jihad) in al-Shuja‘iyya neighborhood in the east of Gaza City. Two activists were instantly killed: Bassam Salem Diab al-’Ejla (21 years old) and Mohammed Ameen Ahmed Dhaher (23 years old). Two civilian bystanders, including a child, were also wounded: Anees Zaher Mousa (4 years old), wounded by shrapnel to the feet; and Rajab ‘Emad al-Shiekh Khalil (21 years old) wounded by shrapnel to the neck. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012)
• An Israeli drone fired a missile at a number of activists of the Palestinian resistance in al-Salatin neighborhood in the west of Beit Lahia. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012)

• An Israeli drones fired a missile at a space area in al-Salatin neighborhood in the west of Beit Lahia. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012)

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at Saladin Gate on the Egyptian border, south of Rafah, targeting a tunnel. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 12, 2012).

• Israeli soldiers positioned on observation towers on the border between the Gaza Strip and Israel to the east of Jabalyia opened fire at a number of Palestinian civilians who got close to the border and threw stones during the funeral procession of a number of victims of the Israeli offensive. Two civilians were wounded: Mohammed Yasser al-‘Aar‘eir (22 years old) wounded by a bullet to the right arm; and ‘Ammar Mohammed Abu al-Kas (21 years old) wounded by a bullet to the right thigh. PCHRGAZA (March 13, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at an agricultural plot belonging to the al-Wuhaidi family near al-Nafaq Street in the northeast of Gaza City. Shrapnel from the missile caused fire to break out in a 600-square-meter warehouse of plastics belonging to Mustafa ‘Abdul Wahab al-Matbouli, a nearby 400-square-meter factory of bamboo products and a truck in the warehouse. These facilities were heavily damaged. Additionally, a 150-square-meter house belonging to ‘Alaa’ Mohammed Zarandah and a 450-square-meter aluminum store belonging to Mohammed Khamis al-Nassar were damaged. PCHRGAZA (March 13, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at an agricultural plot near the car market in al-Zaytoun neighborhood in the southeast of Gaza City. The missile caused a very heavy explosion, but no casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 13, 2012).

• An Israeli warplane fired a missile at a space area in Khuza‘a village, east of Khan Younis. No casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 15, 2012)
• Israeli warplanes shelled two aircrafts at Gaza and Khan Yunis cities, the first aircraft targeted an agricultural orchard while the second aircraft targeted green houses located in the area between Khuza’a and Absan towns in Khan Younis Governorate. Al Quds (March 16, 2012).

• The Israeli gunboats fired at Palestinian fishing boats in Gaza shore, no injuries were reported. Furthermore, the Israeli warplanes fired at a location northwest of Gaza city and some agricultural lands east of Ash Shuja’ia neighborhood. Al Ayyam (March 17, 2012)

• Israeli Army tanks stationed at the eastern borders of Gaza city shelled at Palestinian houses east of Al-Buriej refugee camp in the city, causing damages to the houses, no injuries were reported. Wafa (March 16, 2012)

• Israeli gunboats stationed opposite to the Beit Lahia beach in the northern Gaza Strip opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats. Palestinian fishermen were forced to sail back to the beach, and no casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 17, 2012)

• Israeli soldiers positioned in military sites near Karm Abu Salem (Kerem Shalom) crossing, southeast of Rafah, opened fire at Palestinian houses and agricultural areas in Rafah. As a result, Suhaib Majed Sultan, 6, was seriously wounded by a bullet to the right thigh, when he was in his house in al-Salam neighborhood in the southeast of Rafah. PCHRGAZA (March 17, 2012).

• The IOF moved nearly 150 meters into al-Sayafa area in the northern Gaza Strip town of Beit Lahia. They leveled areas of Palestinian land which they had already razed. The IOF opened fire at Palestinian farmers who were on their lands to the south of the affected areas. IOF withdrew from the area at approximately and no casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 21, 2012)

• The IOF moved into the east of al-Bureij refugee camp in the central Gaza Strip. They opened fire and detonated a smoke bomb. They withdrew later and no casualties were reported. PCHRGAZA (March 23, 2012).

Others
• Israeli Foreign Minister Avigdor Lieberman stressed the importance of the Jordan Valley for Israel’s security. Lieberman made the comments during a visit with his colleagues from the Yisrael Beiteinu party, Tourism Minister Stas Misezhnikov and Immigration Absorption Minister Sofa Landver, to the Tamar, Megilot and Jordan Valley regional councils. “From this place we can best see the importance of the Jordan Valley to Israel’s security,” Lieberman said as he visited an observation point at the Jordan Valley. He added that “The Jordan Valley is one of the main and most sensitive points in future negotiations, but with all our desire and willingness to make bold moves, the Jordan Valley is not the place to conduct experiments which may produce irreversible results.” Israeli National News & Al Quds (March 1, 2012).

• Minister Benny Begin and the residents of the West Bank outposts of Migron reached an agreement on the voluntary evacuation of the settlement, a deal which still has to be approved by the State Prosecutor’s Office. According to Migron representatives, they have yet to sign the written version of the agreement, and that they were waiting to see the agreed-on terms before signing an official document. In a press conference, Begin responded to reports that negotiations geared at reaching an agreement over Migron had failed, saying that the residents of the West Bank outpost had “a few hours to accept the deal.” According to Begin, he reached an agreement with the residents' representatives, attorney Yaakov Weinrot, according to which the state would ask the High Court of Justice to postpone the evacuation until 2015, during which a permanent abode would be built elsewhere. One of the issues that prevented the deal's finalizing was Begin's insistence that the agreement state that current Migron structures be demolished while the residents wanted the structures to remain standing for future public use. However, it appeared that the two sides were able to reconcile their differences, with the final version that does not mention the structures' demolition, only that the state would following Supreme Court rulings, a possible allusion to a Supreme Court order to evacuate the outpost by March 31. In addition, the final version also stipulates that Migron residents are to relocate to Giv'at Hayekev, a nearby hill that will be rezoned as a neighborhood of the larger Kokhav Yaakov settlement. The deal also stated that the state would favorably consider non-residential civilian use of Migron's homes. The draft agreement will be submitted to the Supreme Court alongside a request to postpone its original ruling on Migron. The Justices are due to convene by the end of the month and decide whether or not to grant
that request. In response to reports of a finalized agreement, Migron residents said in response that "the residents are waiting for a final version of the agreed-on terms since noon [Thursday] but that has yet to arrive. "Only after the final version is received, the residents will convene and discuss whether or not it reflects the agreed-on changes, and only then will sign the deal," the statement added. Haaretz (March 1, 2012).

- The Israeli Civil Administration took the unprecedented step of rejecting a government plan to normalize the status of the Sansana settlement in the South Hebron Hills. The Israeli Civil Administration decision that "there is no justification for a new settlement, as [new homes] can be constructed within an existing settlement" comes 12 years after Sinsanah was established. In 1997 a Nahal outpost was established at Sinsanah, but the first homes were not built until 1999. In 2000, the first families moved to Sansana, which currently has 60 families. In 2009 the Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak approved a plan to built 440 housing units at the Sinsanah site, including retroactively approving some that already existed. However, to avoid violating a promise to Washington not to build "new settlements", the plan was presented as "an extension of nearby Eshkolot." The Israeli Civil Administration planning committee chairman Shlomo Moskowitz wrote "There is no need to 'expand' Eshkolot," arguing there was "plenty of room" for new housing within the community's existing boundaries. He noted Eshkolot is slated for 347 housing units, of which only 70 have been built. He also argued that Sinsanah is 7km from Eshkolot and that there was "no justification" not to build in Eshkolot itself. Al Ayyam & Israel National News (March 3, 2012).

- The Palestinian National Authority has set a number of conditions for the resumption of peace talks with Israel. The conditions reportedly include the acceptance by Israel of a two-state solution based on the 1967 borders, with the possibility of a limited land swap, and a complete halt of settlement construction, including in East Jerusalem. The conditions are also said to include the release of Palestinian prisoners held in Israeli jails. The conditions will be delivered to Israel by Jordan after they are reviewed by the United States. Haaretz (March 5, 2012).

- The Knesset Finance Committee approved an additional NIS 10 billion in budget dispensations, including NIS 7.3 billion for defense needs, but at the same time made NIS 2 billion in broad cuts to government
offices. The committee approved funds for a number of defense projects. Ten MKs voted in favor of the budget modifications and five against. Among the dispensations were funds to finance the construction of kindergartens in accordance with a new law mandating free education for children over the age of three, and NIS 1.6 million for social purposes, including “negative income tax” for working mothers, grants to local authorities, and aid to needy Holocaust survivors. The cuts include slashing millions of shekels from the offices of the president, ministers without portfolio, and deputy ministers; religious services; and budgetary support to kolels, yeshivas for married men. Moshe Bar Siman Tov, the deputy budget director at the Finance Ministry, told the financial site Calcalist that “the cuts are intended to fund the best and most important things,” referring to the increased budget for social benefits. Meretz chairwoman MK Zahava Gal-On (Meretz) said as a response to the plan: “This additional transfer to the defense budget is hutzpa. Every time we are led to understand that this the last transfer to the Defense Ministry.” The Defense Ministry said in response: “It should be emphasized that this is not adding anything to the defense budget, but rather approving a commitment at the expense of defense budgets in the coming years. Timesofisrael & Al Quds (March 7, 2012).

- The Yedi’ot Ahranot Israeli daily newspaper reported on its website that the Jerusalem Municipality has been decreasingly addressing illegal construction in east Jerusalem. Only 10 illegal structures have been razed over the course of 2011, a drastic decline from 23 in 2010 and 65 in 2009. An opposite trend has been registered in the capital’s western region, where the incidence of illegal construction is much lower compared to its eastern counterpart. In 2011, 67 illegal buildings were demolished there, compared to 58 in 2010 and 57 in 2009. As per the document, the reason behind the changes is unrelated to the municipality’s licensing and inspection department, which conducts 3,000 inspections in east Jerusalem and files 1,200 indictments on average each year. “The decline in the execution of the demolition warrants (in east Jerusalem) was instigated by the lack of State and security authorization,” the document said. European and US leaders have leveled harsh criticism at Israel over the destruction of homes in east Jerusalem in recent months. Ynetnews. (March 8, 2012).

- At the fifth and last session of the Amman talks with the Palestinians, Netanyahu’s representative Isaac Molho presented the following principles: Borders would be drawn to so that (1) Israel retained the
The greatest number of Israelis and the smallest number of Palestinians; (2) Israel would annex the major settlement blocs, although these blocs were not defined; only after borders were defined would the more complex issue of Jerusalem be discussed; and (3) Israel would maintain an unspecified presence in the Jordan Valley for an unspecified period. The principles were presented on January 25, a day before the deadline on which the Palestinians threatened to call a halt to the talks if they did not receive Israel’s position on borders. Haaretz (March 8, 2012).

- The residents of Migron signed an agreement according to which they will voluntarily evacuate the West Bank community and relocate to state-owned land on a hill nearby. The deal was signed by Migron’s residents and Minister Benny Begin at the community’s synagogue. The negotiations on Migron’s evacuation were conducted over an 18-month period, but a dispute regarding the demolition of structures in the outpost prevented an agreement. The final deal states that the residents will move to a state-owned land situated about two kilometers from Migron, while the vacant structures will remain intact until the Supreme Court rules on the land’s ownership. Ynetnews & Al Quds (March11, 2012).

- A report issued by Btselem organization showed that Israel declared over the years more than 900,000 dunums of Palestinian lands as State Lands for the establishment of Israeli settlements. For more information, click here Btselem (March 17, 2012).

- The Israeli cabinet unanimously passed an amended version of the Trajtenberg Report’s housing recommendations, which Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu claimed it would lower prices and increase the availability of apartments. Subject to Knesset approval, the Israel Lands Authority will market 187,000 new apartments throughout the country over the next five years. Sixty percent will be located in the high-demand areas of Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and the central region; 40,000 will be designated for affordable housing. In addition, the government approved an NIS 1.5 billion housing package for new immigrants. The package includes monthly rental assistance of up to NIS 1,250 per family, monthly rental assistance of about NIS 3,000 for wheelchair-bound new immigrants, and increased housing assistance for elderly immigrants. New-immigrant status will be recognized for 15 years from date of Aliya, an increase from the current 10 years. JPost (March 18, 2012).
The budget for religious institutions in the Jerusalem municipality has nearly doubled since Mayor Nir Barkat entered office, Army Radio reported. When Barkat entered office in 2009, Jerusalem’s budget for religious buildings, mostly for mikvaot ritual baths, was NIS 10 million per year. This year the budget has increased to NIS 18.5 million per year. Officials in the Jerusalem municipality responded that the budget for religious buildings has not increased since 2010 and that the increased funds were allocated by the government, not the municipality. JPost (March 18, 2012).

A survey carried out by OCHA, in the course of 2011 identified a total of 56 water springs, the large majority of which are located in Area C (93 percent), on land parcels recorded by the Israeli Civil Administration (ICA) as privately owned by Palestinians (at least 84 percent). Thirty (30) of these springs were found to be under full settlers control, with no Palestinian access to the area. In almost three quarters of these (22), Palestinians have been deterred from accessing the spring by acts of intimidation, threats and violence perpetrated by Israeli settlers. In the remaining eight springs under full settler control, Palestinian access has been prevented by physical obstacles, including the fencing of the spring area, and its de facto annexation to the settlement (four cases), and the isolation of the area from the rest of the West Bank by the wall and its subsequent designation as a closed military zone (four cases). The other 26 springs are at risk of a settler takeover. Along with the elimination or reduction of Palestinian access in 40 out of the 56 springs identified in the survey, Israeli settlers have begun to develop the surrounding area into a “tourist attraction”. Works performed for this purpose include, among others, the construction or renovation of water pools; the deployment of picnic tables and shading structures; the paving of leading roads; and the installation of signs announcing the Hebrew name of the spring. Approximately half of these springs (29) are located in the Ramallah governorate, followed by the Nablus (10) and Bethlehem (8) governorates. Four of the springs fall within Areas B, close to the boundaries with Area C, and the rest are located within Area C. OCHA & Al Quds (March 19, 2012).

The Israeli Knesset authorized a law proposed by coalition chairman MK Ze’ev Elkin, which would ensure that individuals that make contributions to organizations that promote Jewish settlement are able to receive tax breaks. Elkin said that the law was “a step forward for the coalition which approved the law, and a step back for the
opposition, and especially for Kadima. “Kadima fears construction in Gush Etzion and Ma’ale Adumim, and they thus voted against settlement in the Negev and Galilee,” Elkin said. The bill does not discriminate between organizations that promote settlement in different areas of the country. Israeli national news (March 19, 2012).

- The Israeli Knesset Finance Committee approved the reallocation of NIS 61 million from the state budget. Inter alia, the committee approved an extra NIS 25 million for the Jewish Agency to use beyond Israel’s 1967 borders, including NIS 1.5 million for infrastructure in settlements in the Hebron Hills, NIS 8 million for the Golan Research Institute in Katzrin, and NIS 7.6 million for public buildings in the Jordan Valley and the Binyamin district. Among the other allocations approved was NIS 36 million in funding for security in the West Bank. The transfers, requested by the Finance Ministry’s budget division, reappportion funds among a number of different government ministries and agencies. The MKs in attendance were committee chairman Moshe Gafni (United Torah Judaism ), Zion Pinyan (Likud ), Faina Kirshenbaum (Yisrael Beiteinu ), Zahava Gal-On (Meretz ) and Jacob Edery (Kadima). Haaretz (March 21, 2012)

- The United Nations' Human Rights Council voted to appoint a panel charged with evaluating the effects of Israeli settlement construction on Palestinian human rights in the West Bank and East Jerusalem. According to the text of the decision, the UN will "dispatch an independent international fact-finding mission, to be appointed by the President of the Human Rights Council, to investigate the implications of the Israeli settlements on the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights of the Palestinian people throughout the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem.” The committee’s mandate will be to submit a report on the topic to the council. The decision also called on Israel "not to obstruct the process of investigation and to cooperate fully with the mission.” Haaretz (March 24, 2012).

- Israel’s High Court of Justice rejected a compromise deal between the state and residents of the West Bank outpost of Migron, an agreement that would have prevented Israel from having to dismantle the settlement following a Supreme Court ruling. The deal was meant to prevent the state from having to comply with a Supreme Court’s ruling which stated that the government had to arrange for the demolition of the Migron settlement by the end of this month, less than a week away.
Migron was ordered demolished because it was built on privately-owned Palestinian land. Haaretz (March 25, 2012).

- Israel’s Supreme Court gave settlers four months to evacuate the largest illegal outpost in the occupied West Bank, rejecting a government petition to allow them to stay on the Palestinian-owned land until 2015. “All must adhere to the law and this is the moment of truth,” the court said. The court had ruled previously that Migron had been erected on privately-owned Palestinian land and had ordered the government to evacuate it by March 31. In order to avoid a forcible evacuation, the coalition government, reached a deal earlier this month with Migron’s 50 families under which they agreed to move down the road to a nearby settlement by November 2015. But in its latest ruling, the court rejected that agreement, saying the settlers must leave by August 1, giving them only a four-month extension from the original March 31 evacuation date. Maannews (March 25, 2012).

- Israel said it has severed contacts with the UN Human Rights Council after its launch last week of an international investigation into settlements in the occupied West Bank. The decision, announced by a Foreign Ministry spokesman, Yigal Palmor, meant that the fact-finding team the council planned to send to the West Bank will not be allowed to enter the territory or Israel. “We are not working with them any more,” Palmor said about the Geneva-based forum. “We had been participating in meetings, discussions, arranging visits to Israel. All that is over.” The ministry told Israel’s ambassador to Geneva to ignore all phone calls from the body’s chief commissioner Navi Pillay, A fact-finding team will also be barred from entering the occupied West Bank and Israel to investigate illegal settlement activity, the official added. Maannews (March 27, 2012)

- Representatives of the West Bank outpost of Migron reacted harshly on a High Court of Justice decision invalidating agreements reached between settler representatives and the government, which would have delayed the demolition of the settlement. Haaretz (March 27, 2012)

- As activists are planning to lead a Global March to Jerusalem on Land Dya (March 30, 2012), Israel has warned neighboring countries that it would forcefully respond to attempted breaches of its borders. The Global March to Jerusalem initiative aims at getting over one million Arabs and their supporters to attempt to cross Israel’s borders on
March 30th. Israel has sent messages to the governments of Syria, Lebanon, Egypt, Jordan, the Hamas government in Gaza and the Palestinian Authority regarding the planned march and made it clear that anyone who will come near its borders would be considered an infiltrator and the IDF will act against him with full force. Israel also reportedly demanded that Arab countries not allow an escalation of the tension in the region through marches toward its borders. INN (March 28, 2012).

- The Israeli Civil Administration stopped the issuance of permits to Ambulance drivers from the West Bank who work in Jerusalem starting on Monday 26, 2012. Consequently, 20 ambulance cars stopped working in the service, while 2 ambulance cars remained in the service. ARN (March 28, 2012).

- One the heirs of the late Grand Mufti Haj Amin al-Husseini's revealed that the hearing session on the issue of seizing Karm Al Mufti "Haj Amin al-Husseini" and the "Shepherd" hotel in Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood will be held in the Israeli Supreme Court on April 2, 2012. The hearing session filed against the State of Israel and the Custodian of Absentee Property and the Jewish businessman Irvin Moskowitz was filed to a higher judicial body after the Israeli courts rejected objections and motions filed by the heirs to stop the construction and demolition of the current Karm Al Mufti. The court is scheduled to consider the two petitions filed by heirs of Al Mufti, (1) the illegitimate application of the Custodian of Absentee Property law on Palestinians living in East Jerusalem and (2) against the illegal actions that led to the transfer of ownership of Karm Al Mufti to the US Company (C & M Brobbertz) which belongs to the Jewish American businessman Irvin Moskowitz through the Custodian of Absentee Property. NBPRS (March 28, 2012)

- The Israeli Nature Authority commenced the rehabilitation of 'Ein Al Fawwar site in Wadi Al Qelt area (Al Qelt Valley) in Jericho Governorate. The authority aims to close off the area in the face of Palestinians and annex it to become part of Wadi Al Qelt Nature Reserve which is run by the Israeli Authorities. The project’s cost is around NIS 1 million. It is worth mentioning that Israel is trying to attract more Israeli visitors to the site in a step that will support Israeli settlements in the area. INN (March 28, 2012).

- The Israeli Government along with the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem is confiscating archeological sites in the city of Jerusalem and
transferring their responsibility to Jewish organizations and other extremist organization. Wafa (March 29, 2012)

- The Jerusalem Municipality and the Jewish National Fund cut down several dozen healthy trees in the Jerusalem Forest, to create fire breaks as buffers between the forest and the nearby community of Yefe Nof. Wafa (March 29, 2012)

- The Israeli Defense Forces are Displeased with Hebron Building Launch as declared by the IDF spokesman, “This is a dangerous provocation, so close to Land Day,” castigating the decision to move 15 families into Beit Hamachpela (a Palestinian building near the Ibrahimi Mosque) in Hebron. 7 families are now confined to the building. Wafa (March 29, 2012).

- Chairmen of the Land of Israel Knesset Lobby, MKs Ze’ev Elkin and Aryeh Eldad welcomed the entry of the Hebron Residents into a Palestinian owned building located less than 1 kilometer from the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron and named it the "Beit Hamachpela" building. “The lobby reminds the PM that the government is committed to Hebron development following a government decision to act on behalf of the security and establishment of the Hebron Jewish community, and calls to the PM to support the residents.” Wafa (March 29, 2012).

- Women in Green Israeli movement responds to the settlement of Jewish families into an owned Palestinian building in Hebron claimed to be bought by Jewish settlers. They stated: "Kudos to the brave, pioneering Hebron families who usher us elevated to the Passover festival of freedom. Every generation has brave crossers of the Red Sea, who march to the land of Israel. Let us praise G-d and encourage the families who made another purchase of a home and land in Hebron, in the footsteps of Abraham.” Women in Green add, “This is the way to go. Initiate, progress, settle and expand in the Land of Israel. Carry on unintimidated. The Nation of Israel lives! The public in welcome to arrive and encourage. Temporarily, access to the building is limited to the residents only, but it’s important to encourage from the outside as well. The building is right near the parking lot of the Cave of the Patriarchs.” Haaretz (March 29, 2012)
The Israeli police will hold a special security situation in anticipation of Land Day. Israel’s military has imposed a general closure on the occupied West Bank as it prepares to face protests marking Land Day. Maannews (March 30, 2012).

For years Israel’s Civil Administration (ICA) has been covertly locating and mapping available land in the West Bank and naming the parcels after existing Jewish settlements, presumably with an eye toward expanding these communities. This was clear in the maps released by the ICA for the first time in response to a request from anti-settlement activist Dror Etkes under the Freedom of Information Law. The Israeli state has argued before the Supreme Court and the International Court of Justice in The Hague that the route of the separation barrier was based on Israel’s security needs. But Civil Administration’s maps and figures suggest the barrier route was planned in accordance with the available land in the West Bank, intended to increase the area and population of the settlements. A Total of 569 parcels of land were marked out, encompassing around 620,000 dunums (around 155,000 acres) – about 10 percent of the total area of the West Bank. Since the late 1990s, 23 of the unauthorized outposts were built on land included in the map. The Civil Administration is endeavoring to legalize some of these outposts, including Shvut Rahel, Rehelim and Hayovel and settlers who built the outposts had access to the administration’s research on available land – more proof of the government’s deep involvement in the systematic violation of the law in order to expand settlements. The maps also name numerous communities that do not exist. These include Shlomzion, on land belonging to the Palestinian town of Aqraba, east of Nablus; Lev Hashomron, on the land of Kafr Haja, between Nablus and Qalqilyah; Mevo Adumim, on the lands of al-Azariya and Abu Dis; and Mitzpeh Zanoah and Mitzpeh Lahav, in south Mount Hebron. In addition, the names of several sites suggest they are earmarked for the expansion of existing settlements, although some of the parcels are several kilometers distant from their namesakes. These include Immanuel Mizrah, Elkana Bet, Beit Aryeh Gimmel and Tekoa Sheet’hei Mir’ey, among others. The maps also mark 81 sites on 114,000 dunums in areas A and B, which are under Palestinian civil control, indicating the Civil Administration began identifying available land before the Oslo Accords. But these parcels have not been updated in several years because Israel cannot build settlements on them. All the other areas – 506,000 dunums in Area C, have been updated in the past decade. This implies the administration earmarked the sites as reserves for future use. Most of the marked
areas – 485,000 dunums in area C – are classified as state lands. About 7,600 dunums are classified as “Jewish land” from before 1948, and 12,800 dunums are unclassified. More than 90 percent of this land is east of the separation barrier, beyond the main settlement blocs. 

Haaretz (March 30, 2012).

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**Monthly Violations Statistics – March 2012**

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