Bethlehem

- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, two Palestinians were detained, identified as Muhammad Hamdi Taqatqa, 32 in the village of Beit Fajjar, and the 16-year-old Muhammad Raed Hamamra, from Husan. (Maannews 1 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) conducted heightened searches of Palestinian vehicles at the Container checkpoint in the southern occupied West Bank, causing important traffic jams. The IOA started suddenly stopping vehicles, searching them and checking the passengers’ ID cards for unknown reasons. (Maannews 2 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian child on his way home from school in the village of al-Khas in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. Israeli soldiers stopped and detained Issa Hmeidan at a checkpoint east of Bethlehem when he was returning home from school. Hmeidan’s age and the reasons for the detention remained unknown. (Maannews 2 March 2017)
- Three Palestinian minors from the al-Duheisha refugee camp in the southern occupied West Bank city of Bethlehem are scheduled to be indicted by an Israeli military court for throwing stones and Molotov cocktails at Israeli armed forces. (Maannews 2 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a Palestinian printing press in ad-Deheisheh refugee camp in Bethlehem, confiscated its equipment and shut it down, claiming it was used to print inflammatory materials. During the IOA campaign in the camp, the soldiers clashed with local young men and intensively fired tear gas grenades at them and nearby homes. Seven young men were arrested, some of whom were identified as Nael Naji Abu Aker, Rami Al Ahmar, and ‘Ali Al
As’ad after raiding their families’ houses and searching them. A 12-year-old child called Hammam Radi was kidnapped from the camp. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinians from the villages of Marah Rabah in the Bethlehem Governorates. The detainees were identified as Hussam Muhammad al-Sheikh, Murad Mahmoud al-Sheikh, Hamza Abdullah al-Sheikh, and Hussein Amr al-Sheikh. (Maannews 5 March 2017)

- In Husan village west of Bethlehem city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young Palestinian man, whose identity was not revealed. (Maannews 5 March 2017)

- In al-Duheisha refugee camp in southern Bethlehem, Mahmoud Karim Ayyad was detained by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA). The detention sparked clashes in the camp as well as in the nearby town of Doha during which two young men were shot in the foot during the clashes. (Maannews 5 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) started leveling works of agricultural lands at the entrance of Nahalin village in southern Bethlehem in order to pave the way for the establishment of a new settlement project in the area. Israeli bulldozers began leveling lands in the main street of the village which has been closed for years. The road is adjacent to the Israeli Neve Daniel settlement. Israeli occupation authorities intend to construct a public park for settlers over the site. (PALINFO 5 March 2017)

- An Israeli military patrol stormed Bethlehem’s eastern village of Za’tara and kidnapped the Palestinian MP Khaled Tafesh, 53, from his home. (PALINFO 5 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested MP—Anwar Izboun, 49, from Beit Sahour city. (Maannews 6 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Hassan al-Wardian, 63, from Hindaza village southeast of Bethlehem city. (Maannews 6 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested the lecturer at the Quds Open University, Ghassan Hirmas, 49, from Bethlehem city. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

- A Palestinian youth was fatally gunned down by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at daybreak at his family home in the central West Bank Governorate of Ramallah. Soldiers of an Israeli special unit shot and killed a Palestinian youth after they broke into his family home in Ramallah. The Martyr was identified as Basil al-A’raj, a native of Bethlehem’s western village of al-Walaja. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)
The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a number of military checkpoints at the entrances to Bethlehem city shortly after an alleged stabbing attack in the area. Several Palestinian vehicles were stopped and searched at the checkpoints. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

Israeli settlers filed a complaint to the Israeli Supreme Court, against a Palestinian citizen from Al Khader village south of Bethlehem city claiming that he established a car-repair shop in the area classified as "C" area (according to OSLO II Interim Agreement) without proper authorization from the Israeli occupation Authorities. Citizen Osama Ahmed Ali, received a complaint from the Israeli Supreme Court providing that a group of Israeli settlers complained against him in protest at his facility (a car-repair shop) which he established in the area of Um Rukba south of the village. Citizen Ali established the facility close to his home. (WAFA 7 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two brothers from the village of Husan west of Bethlehem in the southern occupied West Bank, identified as Ismat Amjad Hamamrah, 28, and Muhannad Amjad Hamamrah 26. (Maannews 7 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed, with barbed wires, a dirt road that Palestinian students usually take to reach their schools in Tequ village east of Bethlehem city to avoid the Israeli Occupation Army. (WAFA 7 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) occupied an under-construction building in the village of Tuqu east of Bethlehem in the southern occupied West Bank, turning the house into a military post. Large numbers of Israeli troops were deployed on the rooftop of a house belonging to Juma Muhammad Ali near on the main road of Tuqu, near the al-Khansa school. The house was undergoing interior finishing and was almost ready to be inhabited. Israeli soldiers broke down the main doors and ascended to the rooftop where they raised an Israeli flag. The soldiers also placed sandbags at the windows of the house. (Maannews 7 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed the eastern and western entrances of Husan village west of Bethlehem city and hindered access to the village under the pretext of throwing stones at Israeli settlers vehicles. (WAFA 9 March 2017)

Clashes erupted after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) quelled a peaceful massive march in al-Walajah village south of Bethlehem. The march aimed at demanding Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) to hand over the body of martyr Basel al-Araj. Dozens of Palestinian
Youths participated in the march after the IOA postponed the release of his body until a further notice. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)

- A number of Palestinians choked on teargas and others were summoned to questioning at daybreak in clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Bethlehem. Clashes flared up in Artas village, south of Bethlehem, shortly after an Israeli military patrol rolled into the area and targeted Palestinian homes with heavy spates of teargas canisters. A number of civilians reportedly choked on teargas in the assault. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Aida refugee camp for Palestinian refugees, north of Bethlehem, and wreaked havoc on civilian homes before they summoned two youngsters—Hamza al-Nabtiti and Assaad Darwish—to questioning. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Quteiba Mahmoud Khalifa from Al Ubeidiyah village in Bethlehem Governorate for interrogation at the Gush Etzion detention center after raiding his house. (WAFA 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into al-Duheisha refugee camp, Hendaza Mount, and al-Mawalih area in Bethlehem and handed over interrogation summonses to three Palestinian youths. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)

- A number of Palestinians suffered Gas Inhalation during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army in Bakoush area west of Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city. (WAFA 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped the brother of martyr Amani Sabatin from his home in Husan village, west of Bethlehem in the West Bank. The IOA broke into and ransacked the house of 41-year-old Adnan Sabatin, and confiscated cellphones and one laptop. (PLAINFO 11 March 2017)

- Clashes flared up in Bethlehem’s villages of al-Khader and Tekou’ between the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and the Palestinian protesters. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) has embarked for days on bulldozing and preparing a vast tract of Palestinian land in Beit Jala, west of Bethlehem, for the expansion of the illegal settlement of Gilo. The construction was taking place within the boundaries of Cremisan Valley in Beit Jala and the villages of Al Walajeh and Sharafat. About 900 housing units would be built on 150 to 200 dunums of Palestinian land that had been annexed to Gilo settlement. The IOA almost finished building infrastructure for the new housing units. Another 300
housing units would be built after finishing the first stage of this settlement expansion project. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

- In the Bethlehem Governorate, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 24-year-old Habib Muhammad al-Sheikh and 20-year-old Ayman Muhammad al-Sheikh from the village of Marah Rabah. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Nour Abdullah Mahmoud al-Jawarish, 26, from Beit Jala town in the Bethlehem Governorate. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian schoolchildren in Tekou’, in the southern West Bank. Israeli army patrols stormed Bethlehem’s eastern town of Tekou’ and attacked Palestinian schoolchildren on their way back home. The Israeli soldiers chased down the Palestinian students across Tekou’ streets and alleys, amid heavy discharge of gunfire and teargas canisters. The 17-year-old minor Mohamed Saleem al-Badan, a secondary school pupil, was kidnapped by the Israeli soldiers from his family home in Tekou’. The boy was kidnapped shortly after the end of the school day on allegations of hurling stones at the occupation patrols. (PALINFO 17 March 2017)

- A teenaged Palestinian girl was shot and injured by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at an intersection in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. The shot Palestinian girl was identified as Fatima Jibrin Taqatqa, a 16-year-old from the village of Beit Fajjar. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian with live fire as the man was attempting to pass through a gap in Israel’s separation wall in the occupied West Bank to go to work in Jerusalem. The IOA opened fire on the man in the Wadi Abu al-Hummus area, near Israel’s Mazmuriya military checkpoint east of Bethlehem in the southern occupied West Bank. The injured Palestinian was identified as 27-year-old Ahmad Radaideh, from the town of al-Ubeidiya east of Bethlehem. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

- Five Palestinians were injured after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened live fire at locals during a predawn detention raid in Duheisha refugee camp near Bethlehem in the southern occupied West Bank. Fierce clashes broke out between local youth and Israeli troops who raided the camp around dawn to detain one young Palestinian man from his home, identified as former prisoner Murad Zghari. Three young men were injured during the clashes, identified by locals as Ahmad al-Jiwi, Muath Abu Nasser, and Muhammad Faris Fararja. The
40-year-old Iyad Ibrahim Ramadan was shot in the leg while he was standing on the rooftop of his home in the camp, before his brothers Mahmoud and Shadi rushed him to a car to drive him to the Hospital in Beit Jala. As they were driving through the neighboring village of Doha, Israeli troops opened fire on their car. Mahmoud, 34, sustained injuries after being hit in the head with shrapnel. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

- Palestinian worker has been injured by Israeli gunfire east of Bethlehem to the south of West Bank. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened heavy fire at a group of Palestinian workers while on their way to their workplaces in occupied Jerusalem. One of the workers was shot and injured in his thigh before being arrested by Israeli forces. The 31-year-old worker was identified as Ahmed Rdayda. (PALINFO 15 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) issued stop construction orders for two houses in Al Khader village, south of Bethlehem. The Israeli civil administration raided Um Rukba area and notified to halt the construction of Omar and Khaled Salah Abdel Salam houses in the village, under the pretext of being built without permit. (PALINFO 15 March 2017)

- The Israeli Ofer military court extended the detention of a wounded Palestinian teenage girl for eight days. The court extended 16-year-old Fatima Jibrin Taqatqa’s detention in absentia, pointing out that she remains in critical condition under anesthetics and on respirators at the Shaare Zedek Medical Center in Jerusalem. Taqatqa was shot and injured by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) on March at a junction near the illegal Israeli settlement bloc of Gush Etzion in the southern occupied West Bank Bethlehem Governorate. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

- Israeli settlers uprooted dozens of grape seedlings and destroyed part of a grape arbor in the village of al-Khader in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem. The Israeli settlers uprooted 90 grape seedlings belonging to Nader Salah Abd al-Salam and destroyed part of his grape arbor in the Khallet al-Fahem area that is surrounded by the illegal Israeli Eliazar and Daniel settlements. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) summoned citizen Zayd Muhammad Al Hreimi from As Saff Street in Bethlehem city for interrogation in the Gush Etzion settlement detention center and confiscated his laptop during raid to his house. (WAFA 17 March 2017)
The Israeli occupation army (IOA) raided a car repair shop in Wad Shaheen area in Bethlehem city and confiscated records of his surveillance cameras. (WAFA 17 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned citizen Muhamad Naser Al Masri, 24, from Ad Doha village in Bethlehem for interrogation at the Gush Etzion settlement detention center. (WAFA 18 March 2018)

In the southern West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 22-year-old Hassan Ahmad Sabatin and Yazan Sabatin from the village of Husan. (Maannews 19 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 22-year-old Muayyad Salah Taqatqa in Beit Fajjar, as well as 18-year-old Jamil Ibrahim Taqatqa and an unidentified woman from Umm Salamuna. (Maannews 19 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) violently suppressed a peaceful march organized in Bethlehem to the south of West Bank demanding the return of slain Palestinians’ bodies held in Israeli morgues. The march came in coincidence with a court hearing held in the Israeli Supreme Court in occupied Jerusalem to decide over the appeals submitted by the dead Palestinians’ families. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)

The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained at predawn Wael Amjad al-Khatib and Mohamed Jamal al-Azza from Bethlehem Governorate. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Wael Amjad Al Khateeb from Beit Jala city in Bethlehem Governorate after raiding his house. (SAFA 22 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhamamd Jamal Al Azza from Bethlehem city after raiding his house. (SAFA 22 March 2017)

The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) uprooted a number of trees planted by the Environment Quality Authority, the Palestinian Environmental NGOs Network and Laje’ center yesterday in the Aida refugee camp north of Bethlehem, in commemoration of the National Day for the Palestinian Environment. (PALINFO 22 March 2017).

The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) sentenced a Palestinian MP and other detainees to administrative prison-terms, with neither charge nor trial. The IOA issued a renewable four-month sentence against MP
Anwar Zaboun, incarcerated since early March 2017. The IOA further slapped administrative terms against four Palestinian prisoners from Bethlehem. Ghassan Hirmas, Khaled Dhweib, and Hassan Wardian were all sentenced to a four-month term while the fourth detainee, Mahmoud Ayad, received a six-month sentence. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- In the town of Beit Sahour east of Bethlehem, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided a Palestinian home and interrogated the family, without detaining anyone. The Israeli Occupation Army raided Beit Sahour at 3:15 a.m. and surrounded the three-floor building, where Issam Qumsiyeh, 57, his brother Sami, 60, and their two families live. The Qumsiyeh family said they woke up to the sound of explosions and discovered Israeli forces blasting open the exterior door to the building. Dozens of soldiers broke into the house, forcing both families into one room where they were thoroughly interrogated, while the building was being searched and ransacked. Israeli forces also cut off the telephone and the internet during the half-hour raid. Members of the family told Ma’an that “soldiers had a map (of the building) and knew detailed information about the family, as if the interrogation was only to confirmation what they already knew.” (Maannews 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem and detained Muhammad Jamal al-Azza in Bethlehem city and Wael Amjad al-Khatib in the neighboring town of Beit Jala, which was confirmed by the Israeli army. (Maannews 23 March 2017)

- Three Palestinians were detained in the village of al-Rashayida south of Bethlehem. (Maannews 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) installed surveillance cameras on the bypass road passing through Za’tara village lands, on the entrance of Tequ village. (WAFA 23 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the Palestinian ex-detainee Usaid al-Werdiyan, 23, from Bethlehem, while passing through a makeshift barrier. (PALINFO 24 March 2017)

- In Bethlehem, in the southern occupied West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) Kidnapped five Palestinian young men in a predawn raid on the city. The list of detainees included Mohamed Mo’men Khalaf, his cousin Mohamed Ma’moun, and Ibrahim Hamamra, all kidnapped from their family homes in Husan village, west of Bethlehem. (PALINFO 26 March 2017)
• The 27-year-old Palestinian youth Assid al-Wardian, from Bethlehem, was transferred to administrative detention, with neither charge nor trial, just a couple of days after he was arrested by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA). (PALINFO 26 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) have re-commenced construction works of the Separation Wall in the part close to Bethlehem Arab Society Hospital for Rehabilitation in Beit Jala town, west of Bethlehem governorate. It is a four-meter-high barbed wire. Completing the Separation Wall in Bethlehem means that the lands of Beir Ouneh and Wadi Ahmad areas northwest of Beit Jala are now completely isolated. (PALINFO 26 March 2017)

• A housing project planned in the settlement of Efrat southwest of Bethlehem city which is planned to include 50 residential units. The project was organized by settlers of Beitar Illit settlement themselves, who commissioned a contractor to build the 50 housing units. The settlers have already invested hundreds of thousands of shekels each into the project and obtained building permits. (INN 27 March 2017)

• In the Bethlehem Governorate, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained six Palestinians from Beit Fajjar village in the southern Bethlehem Governorate. The arrestees were identified as: Alaa Muhammad Taqatqa, Issam Muhammad Taqatqa, Munir Muhammad Taqatqa, Fayiz Ali Derayya, Yahya Hani Jadu, and Alaa Muhammad Hreimi. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

• An Israeli company, named Giv’at Ya’el, is trying to seize land in the village of Walaja, northwest of Bethlehem. The company, and under the protection of the Israeli occupation Army (IOA), accompanied by employees of the absentee property of Beit El and Etzion, as well as the director of the Israeli Tabo, raided Al-Ruwaisat Mountain, which includes the areas of Al-Sarj and Khallet An Nafla east and began to place border marks to seize the land in the area, with an area of 618 dunums. (WAFA 28 March 2017)

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) continued to impose road closures on a main road in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Bethlehem for the fifth day in a row, blockading a route used every day by thousands of commuters from four Palestinian villages. Five days ago, Israeli forces placed rocks and dirt mounds in the middle of a road near the village of al-Khader. The road serves as a main route between the city of Bethlehem and the villages of Husan, Battir, Nahhalin, and Wadi Fukin. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

• Israeli occupation Army (IOA) demolished a Palestinian-owned home in Khallet al-Nahleh, southeast of Bethlehem, that was still in the building stage. The three storey demolished house belonged to Nabhan
Nasrallah and the army claimed it was built without a permit. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the houses of Talal Issa Al ‘Oumor and Jameel Issa Al ‘Omour in Tequ village southeast of Bethlehem city. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

- In Tequ village, in the southeastern part of Bethlehem city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Awadallah al-Umour and Wael Ideis.

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained the 30-year-old Moussa Muhammad Abd al-Rabbu, a former prisoner who was released from Israeli custody three months ago. (Maannews 30 March 2017)

- An Israeli special force arrested a Palestinian youth and assaulted his brother in downtown Bethlehem. An undercover Israeli force, accompanied by a number of military vehicles, stormed al-Halal market in Bethlehem, arrested Firas Nawawra, 34, and severely assaulted his brother Hasan who was transferred to hospital after sustaining several injuries and bruises. Following the raid, confrontations broke out between Palestinian youths and the Israeli occupation soldiers who opened fire in the air and threw tear gas canisters at the citizens. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers leveled 15 dunums (approximately 2.9 acres) of privately-owned Palestinian land in the Khallet Al Quton area in Artas village southeast of Bethlehem in the southern occupied West Bank owned by Ahmad Abu Srour, Riyad Issa, Muhammad Abu Laban, Omar al-Afandi, Jamal Zighari, Bassam al-Farahin, Hasan Shahin, Mustafa al-Afandi and Hussien Hamash. (Maannews 31 March 2017)

**Jenin**

- In Jenin, several Palestinian citizens suffered from inhaling tear gas during clashes with Israeli soldiers in Zabuba town. Soldiers were also deployed near Rummanah village. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)

- A large number of Jewish settlers stormed the evacuated site of Tersella outpost south of Jenin city in the occupied West Bank and desecrated an old mosque. Dozens of settlers rallied at the site as a military helicopter dropped soldiers in a nearby area located close to Juba town. Israeli patrol vehicles were also deployed at the main entrance leading to the abandoned outpost during the presence of settlers there. Settlers broke into an old mosque at the site and
occupied its rooftop, where they provocatively performed rituals. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)

- Heavily-armed Israeli occupation troops have been deployed around Jenin Governorate, in the northern West Bank at daybreak. The IOA patrols sealed off the Nazareth Street, between Jenin and al-Jalama crossroads, with a military checkpoint at the crack of dawn and subjected Palestinian workers to intensive questioning. Other Israeli military squads showed up on the Jenin-Haifa thoroughfare, near the main entrance of Rumana and Zabouba towns. A military checkpoint was set up in the area, where Palestinian vehicles and passers-by have been subjected to exhaustive inspection. The IOA further raked through Palestinian lands and olive groves located between al-Erka town and the access road to Shaked illegal settlement outpost. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) provocatively patrolled in the streets of Zabuba And Al Yamun villages west of Jenin city; No arrests were reported. (WAFA 3 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) subjected Palestinian civilians at a military checkpoint in western Jenin to exhaustive questioning. The IOA deployed on Haifa Road, at Kafr Dan crossroads, stopped Palestinian citizens and subjected them to intensive questioning. Palestinian vehicles and civilians lined up in streets as the IOF blocked their access to their homes and workplaces via the checkpoint. (PALINFO 5 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authorities have been seizing the press pass, laptop, and money owned by the Palestinian journalist Khaled Maali for the fourth month. Salem military court ruled that he be released on condition that he shell out a 7,000-shekel bail and hand over his personal laptop and private international press card. (PALINFO 5 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested an-ex Palestinian Prisoner from Silat Al Harthiya village west of Jenin city after raiding his house and searching it. The arrestee was identified as Fares Husni Shawahna, 37. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

- In Jenin Refugee camp, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided several houses and caused destruction to contents and arrested Hamza Nael Ammar, 32, and Kifah Abu ‘Ali Aloub, 21. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) arrested a number of Palestinians in Bartaa village in Jenin Governorate after raiding their houses. The list of Bart’a arrests included Mootassem Qubha, Mu’nis Qubha,
Muhammad Al Haj Said Qabha, the brothers Hamed and Maher and Mujahed Jameel Qubha. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) cracked down on the Palestinian residents and subjected dozens to exhaustive interrogation after raiding their houses in Bartaa village in Jenin Governorate. The raided houses belong to Dirar Ibrahim Qabha, Muhamamd Ibrahim Qabha, Younis Ibrahim Qabha, Kamal Abed Hussein Qabha, Abdel Qader Jad Sabri, Nafe’ Al Haj Ahmad Qabha AND Ahmad Al Haj Said. (WAFA 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated a Palestinian car owned by Tareq Al Inzawi in Jenin city after raiding a car-repair shop in the German neighborhood in the city. (WAFA 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Ali Salih Hithnawi in Qabatia town in Jenin Governorate. (Maannews 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped two young men from Rummana village west of Jenin city in the West Bank. Israeli soldiers rounded up Mohamed Ammour and Ahmed Subaihat during their attempt to enter the 1948 occupied lands to look for jobs. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The 22-year-old university student Ahmad Ezzedine Amarna, from Jenin’s southwestern town of Yabad, was also kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at a military checkpoint pitched on Nablus-Tulkarem road. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- Several Palestinian homes sustained damage in Anin village, west of Jenin, when Israeli soldiers opened fire at them with no reason. Israeli soldiers guarding the segregation wall intensively opened fire at nearby homes, causing damage to them. Such gunfire attacks happened repeatedly during the past few days in the village spreading fear among the inhabitants, especially since the separation wall is encircling a big number of the village lands. (PLAINFO 11 March 2017)

- Wild pigs attacked an animal farm in Al Yamun village west of Jenin city. The targeted property is owned by citizen Mahmoud Az Zu’bi. Several chickens and sheep were killed as a result. (SAFA 11 March 2017)

- A series of Israeli military checkpoints were pitched by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) on the Jenin-Haifa access road, where Palestinian civilians and vehicles have been subjected to intensive inspection. The IOA raked through Palestinian cultivated lands in Sahl Bin Amer. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

- Israeli raids were carried out at dawn today in Qabatia town, south of Jenin, where a Palestinian young man was arrested from his family
home. Israeli soldiers were deployed in large numbers throughout the town and erected a number of checkpoints. They also arrested the young man Maher Zakarneh after breaking into and violently searching his house. (PALINFO 13 March 2017)

- During raids to the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Jenin, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Qabatiya town and searched the houses of Abu Ar Rob, Saba’nah and Zakarneh families and searched them. The IOA detained the 19-year-old Khalid Muhammad Sabaanah and his 28-year-old brother Amin in the town of Qabatiya during a raid to uncover unlicensed weapons and another Palestinian from Zakarneh family. The IOA also questioned a number of civilians in the town, of which the following was known, Odai Kameel. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

- In the village of Rummana village north of Jenin, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 45-year-old Ahmad Fayyad Bushnaq and his 38-year-old brother Hussam Fayyad Bushnaq -- both former prisoners -- after their homes were raided. The IOA also prevented Rummana villagers from heading to their workplaces after declaring the village a closed military zone. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

- In Jenin, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Silat Dahar village, south of Jenin city, and arrested a youngster at a make-shift checkpoint erected at the entrance to the town. The youngster was detained after IO soldiers stopped his car at the checkpoint and took him to unknown investigation center. (PALINFO 16 March 2017)

- In Jenin in the northern occupied West Bank, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Omar Ghalib Abu Bakir and his brother Jamal. (Maannews 19 March 2017)

- A Palestinian young man identified as Hassan Abu Ein was kidnapped by the Israeli forces from the Jalama crossing on his way to visit his brother in the Israeli Megiddo jail. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

- Heavily-armed Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) troops cordoned off the Jalama crossing overnight and raked through the bypass road and the Nazareth Street, before they sealed off the area with makeshift checkpoints. Violent clashes burst out with Palestinian protesters in the process. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

- A Palestinian was detained in the northern occupied West Bank for allegedly throwing an explosive device near the al-Jalama checkpoint in the Governorate of Jenin. (Maannews 21 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Jenin refugee camp and arrested citizen Fathi Zeidan Khazem, 22. The IOA also raided the houses of
Amin Zeidan Khazem and Fathi Zeidan Abu Ra’d and messed with house contents. (Maannews 21 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Muhammad Badr Barahma from Anza village south of Jenin city. (Maannews 21 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Mahmoud Saleh Shreim from Jenin city at al Jalameh checkpoint. (Maannews 21 March 2017)

- Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian lands in Jenin’s western village of Arqa, in the northern occupied West Bank, in favor of illegal settlement expansion. A number of Israeli bulldozers razed Palestinian lands in Arqa village in an attempt to expand Shaked illegal settlement. A new road is expected to be built in the area so as to smooth settlers’ access to Shaked’s industrial zone. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

- In Jenin, the northernmost Governorate of the West Bank, two detentions were reported in al-Zababida, one in Anza, and another in the Jenin refugee camp. (Maannews 22 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up ambushes across Jenin Governorate and a checkpoint on the Jenin-Haifa access road, near the main entrance to Zabouba village, where Palestinian drivers have been made to endure intensive questioning. The campaign culminated in the abduction of 14-year-old minor Jamal al-Ghoul from Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped Palestinian lawmaker Ibrahim Dahbour, at a roadblock near Arraba village, southwest of Jenin city in the West Bank. The IOA rounded up Dahbour at a makeshift checkpoint on a road near Arraba and confiscated the car he was driving. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) were deployed in the vicinity of the Arab American University east of Jenin. The IO soldiers stopped passing by Palestinians and checked their IDs. The IOA in several military vehicles, closed the road leading to the university dormitories area and erected a barrier in the place. The soldiers were deployed on another road leading to the towns of al-Mughayyer, Jalqammous and Raba east of Jenin. Checkpoints were also set up in that road. (PALINFO 24 March 2017)

- Clashes burst out after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed al-Shuhadaa Triangle near the southern entrance to Jenin Governorate, in the northern occupied West Bank. Israeli army patrols further raked
through al-Jabriyat area, in Jenin, and cordoned off Nazareth Street leading to al-Jalama crossing. (PALINFO 24 March 2017)

- In northernmost Governorate of Jenin, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Rami Hisham Abu Farha, Manaf Ahmad Abu Farha, and Tariq Khalil Shaaban. An Israeli army spokesperson confirmed three Palestinians were detained in Jenin, saying the detentions were carried out in the village of al-Jalama, located along the northern edge of the district near the border with Israel. (Maannews 26 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) rolled into al-Jalamah in Jenin Governorate at around 3 a.m. and wreaked havoc on Palestinian civilian homes before they kidnapped three Palestinians, two among whom aged 21 and the third in his early 30s. (PALINFO 26 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated a Water Well Drilling Rig while on duty in Deir Abu Daif village east of Jenin city. The rig is owned by Mustafa Hussein Yaseen. Citizen Yaseen was taken to a military camp near the village and detained him for a while. (WAFA 28 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Farouq Ayyad in the Jenin Governorate. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the home of Rania Wasfi, a program coordinator for the Palestinian arts organization in the Jenin refugee camp, at dawn, stayed for about 45 minutes, turning the house upside down: mattresses, sheets, clothes, even the saucepans in the kitchen were torn down from the shelves, the fridge was searched. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

- Clashes erupted between the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinians in the village of Jaba’ in Jenin Governorate. Many Palestinians suffered Gas Inhalation as the IOA fired Tear Gas bombs at Palestinian civilians in the village. The IOA violently stormed and searched Palestinian houses, attacked civilians and destroyed houses contents. The houses of Mahmoud Aziz Fshafsha, Saif Farahat Fshafsha, Ribhi Fshafsha, Mahmoud Naser Alawneh, Ahmad Anwar Ghannam, Azzam Abu Oun, Muhammad Rajeh Ghannam, ad Hasan Khalilieh and the stores of Nemer Alawneh were known. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained citizen Sultan Bassam Hamdan, 31, from Jenin city after summoning him for interrogation at Salem military camp. (WAFA 29 March 2017)
• Clashes burst out after The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the northern West Bank city of Jenin and raked through residential alleys. A number of Palestinian civilians choked on teargas canisters, some among whom while indoors. The IOA showered the area with randomly-shot spates of bullet fire. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into the home of ex-prisoner Sheikh Ezzedine Amarna in Yabad and seized his three laptops, before they attacked the inhabitants. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

• Violent clashes broke out between young men and The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Jaba village in Jenin Governorate after the latter broke into and ransacked homes in different neighborhoods. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched commercial stores belonging to Mahmoud Ghannam from the town. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into the home of the Palestinian ex-detainee Sheikh Adnan Hamarsheh in Yabad village southwest of Jenin city in the northern West Bank. Hamaresheh was questioned by IOA soldiers before leaving the village. (PALINFO 31 March 2017)

Jerusalem

• Palestinian child Abdullah Haroun al-Anati from the Shufat refugee camp in occupied East Jerusalem was shot by Israeli forces with a rubber-coated steel bullet in the chest during a violent raid in the camp two days ago, and has since remained chained to his hospital bed at Israel’s Hadassah Medical Center in Jerusalem despite being in the intensive care unit. The 14-year-old son was being held in Israeli custody while receiving medical treatment, as the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) accused the boy of throwing stones at Israeli military vehicles during the raid. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

• Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied Jerusalem escorted by Israeli policemen. 98 Israeli settlers broke into the plazas of the holy al-Aqsa Mosque via the Magharibeh Gate, as part of the morning break-in shift, from 7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Three Israeli Intelligence officers and students of Jewish religious schools were among the Israelis who stormed the site. (PALINFO 1 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a building in the occupied East Jerusalem neighborhood of Issawiya without giving prior warning, leaving 30 Palestinians homeless, under the pretext that the building lacked the nearly impossible to obtain construction permits required by Israeli authorities. It was the third time the
building -- a two-level apartment comprised of four units -- was destroyed over the course of a 15-year administrative battle to legalize the structure. Dozens of Israeli special forces, bulldozers, and crews from Israel’s Jerusalem municipality raided Issawiya at around 4:30 a.m. and surrounded the building, owned by Khalid Nimr Mahmoud. Residents of the building were forced outside before they had time to evacuate their belongings. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

- 11 Palestinians sustained wounds in clashes that flared up in Abu Dis town, in eastern Occupied Jerusalem. Six protesters were treated for bullet injuries sustained in clashes with the Israeli forces in Abu Dis. Five Palestinians reportedly choked on teargas in the clashes. The Israeli soldiers showered Abu Dis town and the environs of the Quds University with teargas grenades and rubber bullets. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)
- In occupied East Jerusalem, violent skirmishes broke out between Israeli policemen and young men in Kafr Aqab town, with no reported arrests. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Hizma town, east of occupied East Jerusalem, and kidnapped a young man from his home. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian near Salah Ad Din Street in Jerusalem city and took him to a nearby detention center. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)
- Around 50 Israeli settlers and 50 members of the Israeli Intelligence Police raided Al Aqsa Mosque via Al Magharbah gate (Al Mughrabi Gate) and carried out provocative tours. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) quelled a solidarity march with Palestinian hunger striking detainees in Qalandiya refugee camp in Occupied Jerusalem. Dozens of Palestinians participated in the peaceful march in solidarity with both hunger striking captives: Jamal Abu Al-Lail and Mohammad Al-Qiq. The IOA showered participants with tear gas and stun grenades while they were approaching Qalandiya’s barrier. The forces closed the military checkpoint and blocked traffic because of the solidarity march amid intensive deployment of Israeli military forces. Clashes erupted between Israeli troops and activists who took part in the march. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)
- For the past two days, a Palestinian family in the neighborhood of Sur Bahir in the Jerusalem Governorate of the occupied West Bank has been anticipating the worst after the Israeli central court rejected their appeal against a demolition order on their home on the 2nd of March
2017. Ashraf Fawaqa, owner of the house, attempted to obtain an Israeli building license for six years following the construction of his home. He had to pay more than 200,000 shekels ($54,102) for various costs associated with postponing and extending Israeli demolition orders during this time. The Israeli municipality had decided to carry out the demolition at the start of last month without allowing any more postponements. However, after appealing to the Israeli central court, he was able to extend the demolition until March 2, while paying a postponement fee of 30,000 shekels ($8,115), in addition to court fees. The court, however, rejected the appeal and approved the municipality’s decision to demolish the house. (Maannews 4 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) started last week to build a road for settlers near Gilo settlement in Jerusalem as well as factories in Qalandiya, north of the holy city. According to Yerushaliem newspaper, a new road is being built nowadays to connect Ein Yael area with the mountainous area of Gilo settlement. The newspaper said that the construction of the road started after the Israeli housing ministry approved a plan to develop infrastructure in the area. For its part, Kol Ha'ir newspaper said that Israeli minister of Jerusalem affairs Ze'ev Elkin and chief of the Jerusalem municipality Nir Barkat launched a few days ago the industrial zone project (Atarot-C) in Qalandiya. The newspaper said that 12 factories would be built as part of this project on nearly 100 dunums of land. (PLAINFO 4 March 2017)

- After completing a 12-year sentence in Israeli prison, 34-year-old Moussa Darwish was immediately re-detained by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) upon being released. The Israeli intelligence officers were waiting for Darwish outside of Ktziot prison to re-detain him as they prevented his family -- who had traveled to the southern Israeli prison to greet the freed man -- to go near him. Darwish, who is a resident of the occupied East Jerusalem neighborhood of Issawiya, spent 12 years in jail. (Maannews 5 March 2017)

- Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque and carried out Talmudic rituals in Bab Ar Rahma area. Settlers also toured in the courtyard of Al Aqsa Mosque and carried out provocative actions. (WAFA 5 March 2017)

- The Israeli Civil Administration has replaced the recently issued 42 stop work orders by demolition orders in Khan al-Ahmar Bedouin village, located in Israeli-controlled Area C in the West Bank. A large part of the Bedouin village is threatened with demolition after the distribution of 42 demolition orders. Last week, the villagers filed an urgent petition against the demolition process, requesting an
injunction on those demolition orders from the High Court. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Khaldoun Taha Dari and Islam Al Qurom FROM Al Isawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Musa Muhammad Odeh and Dia’ Odeh from Silwan city south of Al Aqsa Mosque. The IOA also summoned Mussallam Odeh, Muhhammad Al Qaq and Ahmad Froukh for interrogation at the Israeli Intelligence Police office in Jerusalem city. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

• Palestinian child, shot by Israeli forces with a rubber-coated steel bullet in his left eye during a violent raid into Shufat camp in occupied Jerusalem, has been kept chained to an iron bed at Israel's Hadassah Medical Center. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the occupied East Jerusalem neighborhood of Silwan, searched several houses in Silwan and detained two Palestinians, identified as 20 year-old Moussa Muhammad Odeh and Diya Odeh. Three Palestinian minors, all aged 17, were also ordered to appear for interrogation with Israeli intelligence. The three were identified as Muslim Moussa Odeh, Muhammad Issa al-Qaq, and Ahmad Muhammad Froukh. (Maannews 7 March 2017)

• The Israeli police also extended the detention of Khalid al-Zir, who was detained for "obstructing police work" after he filmed Israeli forces raiding houses in Silwan earlier Sunday evening. (Maannews 7 March 2017)

• A predawn Israeli police raid to detain five Palestinians in the occupied East Jerusalem Town of Issawiya sparked clashes between the Police and Palestinian youth where the police violently assaulted the five Palestinians before apprehending them. Three other Palestinians were also detained in the East Jerusalem raids. Israeli soldiers raided Issawiya several times on Sunday and were heavily deployed at all entrances to the neighborhood. The IOA fired sound bombs and rubber-coated steel bullets in the neighborhood and removed posters hung in the area celebrating the release of local Palestinians from Israeli prison. The five detainees were identified as 52-year-old Ahmad Moussa Darwish, 42-year-old Ibrahim Moussa Darwish, 29-year-old Mansour Hassan Darwish, 25-year-old Muhammad Nihad Darwish, and 23-year-old Saeb Kayid Dirbas. (Maannews 7 March 2017)

• 23 Israeli settlers, escorted by police troops, stormed the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque via the Maghareba Gate as part of the morning break-in
shift. The Israeli settlers performed sacrilegious rituals at the holy site, stirring furor among the Muslim worshipers and sit-inners. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Nour Areikat from his home in Abu Dis town, in east Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The Israeli police prevented al-Aqsa Mosque personnel from repairing the gate of the Qibli place of worship and arrested two staff members. The Israeli police arrested al-Aqsa staff members Issa al-Dabagh and engineer Basam al-Halaq as they headed to the Qibli Mosque to repair its entrance gate. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into al-Rahma Cemetery, adjacent to al-Aqsa Mosque, and prevented Palestinian mourners from digging a grave to bury their dead relative. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) prevented holding an event for the International Women's Day in occupied Jerusalem. The IOA abruptly prevented organizing the women's event based on a decision issued by the Israeli Minister of Public security. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- An Israeli plan to establish a Judaization park near holy al-Aqsa Mosque, in occupied Jerusalem. The park stretches from al-Sultan Pool to Ayoub Well, southwest of Jerusalem’s Old City, near al-Aqsa Mosque, and covers an overall area of 37 dunums. The plan for the 800-meter-long park dates back to 2006. The Israeli Nature Authority has increasingly held sway over Palestinian land in the area, paving the way for the project. Construction works to establish the park in Wadi al-Rabab had already started. (PALINFO 9 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the sister of Martyr Ali Ash Shoukhi, Su’ad Atef Ash Shoukhi, from Silwan city south of Jerusalem. The arrestee was transferred to unknown place. (SAFA 10 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the home of martyr Fadi Qanbar in Mount Scopus town east of Occupied Jerusalem and took its measurements in preparation for its demolition or closure. The IOA took measurements of the streets surrounding the home as well in order to be able to enter Israeli heavy vehicles and bulldozers either for razing or closing the house with concrete. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)

- A Palestinian family was forced to demolish part of its house (a storage room) in Wadi Hilwah neighborhood in Silwan city south of Jerusalem. The room is owned by citizen Arafat Qara’ien. (SAFA 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested the Palestinian novelist Khalida Ghusha from her house in occupied Jerusalem. Khalida was
detained for issuing a novel attacking collaborators with the Israeli occupation. (PLAININFO 11 March 2017)

• In the central Jerusalem Governorate, two young men were detained in the village of Biddu, identified as Muhtadi Khalid Ayyash and Salih Mansour. (Maannews 12 March 2017)

• Three Palestinians including a minor were injured evening due to two separate attacks by Jewish settlers in Occupied Jerusalem. A group of Jewish settlers from Ma’aleh Michmash settlement northeast of Occupied Jerusalem assaulted two Palestinian men: Ahmad al-Shawahin from Yatta town in al-Khalil and Jamil al-Khatib from Hazma town in Occupied Jerusalem. The fanatic settlers smashed the Palestinians’ car before beating them brutally and leaving them with bruises. The attacking settlers also robbed their money. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

• Three Israeli settlers assaulted the 15-year-old Palestinian boy Malek Siyam in the French Hill in Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and killed a 25-year-old Palestinian near the Lion’s Gate entrance to Al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem’s Old City. The killed Palestinian was identified as Ibrahim Mahmoud Matar, a resident of the East Jerusalem town of Jabal al-Mukabbir, located south of the Old City. (Maannews 13 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented the guard of Al Aqsa Mosque, Arafat Najeib, from entering the Mosque. (WAFA 13 March 2017)

• Israeli settlers renewed their incursion to Al Aqsa Mosque via Bab Al Magharba, (Al Mughrabi Gate, under the cover of Israeli Police. Settlers toured in the alleys of Al Aqsa Mosque and chanted slogans. (WAFA 13 March 2017)

• The Israeli police closed a land mapping office in East Jerusalem, which they say is run on the behalf of Palestinian security forces to keep track of land sales made by Palestinians to Jews in Jerusalem. According to the police, the office in Jerusalem’s Beit Hanina neighborhood, which ostensibly dealt with land mapping, was being funded by the Palestinian Authority while operating in under the guise of a geographic consulting firm. The mapping office is run by Dr. Khalil Tukfaji, a geographer who researches Israeli settlements. Tukfaji has taken part in the negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians over the years, and is well-known to the Israeli peace negotiating teams. (Haaretz 14 March 2017)
• Israeli Occupation Authorities demolished a 2-level building under construction in the occupied East Jerusalem town of Al Issawiya, in Al Dahra area. A large number of Israeli security army stormed Al Issawiya to protect bulldozers and a Jerusalem municipality crew carrying out the demolition. The bulldozers then tore down a two-story, 250-square-meter building under construction owned by Majdi Mustafa. Mustafa’s family had only recently started to build the structure, and had not yet obtained a construction permit from the Jerusalem municipality for it. (Maannews 14 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 19-year-old Abdullah Mashhour Said and 18-year-old Ahmad Afif Askar from the village of Hizma in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

• In occupied East Jerusalem, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 14-year-old Muhammad Nadir Abu Farha from his home in the Old City. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed occupied East Jerusalem’s Jabal al-Mukabbir town and broke into the home of Martyr Fadi al-Qunbar. Cement mixing trucks arrived to the area and waited outside of the house, but left after sometime because they appeared to have trouble accessing the home from the street. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Police detained six young men and one minor from Jabal al-Mukabbir town in occupied East Jerusalem in predawn raids. They were identified as Wajdi Khalil Shqeirat, 33, Mithqal Khalid Shqeirat, 21, Ahmad Amin Mashahra, 31, Hussein Bassam Shqeirat, 29, Muhammad Issam Shqeirat, 19, Bashar Bassam Shqeirat, 17, and Rias Ibrahim Shqeirat, 29. (SILWANIC, Maannews 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Police arrested Mohammad Ra’fat Dari, Ahmad Abu Rmeileh and Ismaeel Mheisen in the town of Al Esawyeh in occupied East Jerusalem. (SILWANIC 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Police arrested 20-year old Omar Firas Al-A’war from Silwan town in occupied East Jerusalem. (SILWANIC 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli court in Jerusalem sentenced Akram Mustafa for 24 months of actual imprisonment, a suspended probation of 12 months for 3 years and a 3-thousand NIS fine.

• In Al Issawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem, the Israeli Occupation Police detained Muhammad Raafat Dari, Ahmad Abu Rmeila, and Ismail Muheisin. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• In Silwan town, the Israeli Occupation Police detained the 20-year-old Omar Firas al-Awar. (Maannews 15 March 2017)
• In the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Jerusalem, the Israeli occupation army detained three Palestinians in the town of Anata and one in al-Eizariya. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli police arrested journalist Samah Dwaik from her house in Ras al-Amud neighborhood in Silwan town, south of Al-Aqsa Mosque. Dwaik was taken to an interrogation center in occupied Jerusalem. Dwaik was previously arrested by the Israeli police on charges of “incitement” on social media. (PALINFO 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Sobhi Mahmoud Mas’oud from Al Fanduqimya village while on his way to cross a sudden checkpoint that was erected by the IOA near the evacuated Homesh settlement site, southwest of Jenin city. (WAFA 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested the Jerusalemite journalist Samah Dweik after raiding her house in Ras Al-Amoud, Silwan. She was taken to Al-Qishleh police station in the Old City of Jerusalem. (SILWANIC 15 March 2017)


• The Israeli court in Jerusalem issued sentences against the following: (1) Abdelqader Dari (minor: a 140-hour course, a 4-thousand NIS fine and a suspended probation of 4 months for three years. (2) Majd Mustafa (minor): Six months and one day in prison, a 3400-NIS fine and a suspended probation of 4 months for three years. (3) Mo’men Dibs (minor): Actual imprisonment for 100 days, a 3600-NIS fine and a suspended probation of 3 months for three years. (4) Yehya Abu Khdeir: Actual imprisonment for 27 months, a 5-thousand NIS fine and
a suspended probation of 6 months for three years. (SILWANIC 15 March 2017)

- 42 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque via Al Magharabah Gate under the cover of Israeli security Police. (WAFA 15 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation bulldozers demolished a Palestinian home in the Silwan town of occupied East Jerusalem without giving prior notice, under the pretext that it was built without Israeli-issued construction permits. The excavators under heavy military and police protection stormed the Ein al-Luzah area of Silwan and demolished a two-room home built of bricks and roofed with tin sheets, owned by Muhammad Abu Salih. The Israeli bulldozers carried out the demolition raid without giving prior notice. One of the rooms was built 18 years ago, and the other was added five years ago. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

- In occupied East Jerusalem, Ahmad Abd al-Haidari was detained from the neighborhood of Issawiya. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Arafat Abu al-Hamam from Silwan town in occupied East Jerusalem. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Arafat Abu Al-Hammam (42) and Mohammad Ali Abu Tayeh (22) after raiding their homes in Silwan town in occupied East Jerusalem. (SILWANIC 16 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ahmad Dari from the town of Al Esawyeh in occupied East Jerusalem. (SILWANIC 16 March 2017)

- A horde of 35 Israeli settlers, escorted by MK Moshe Feiglin stormed the holy al-Aqsa Mosque, in Occupied Jerusalem, via the Maghareba Gate as part of the daily morning break-in shift carried out starting at 7 a.m. Israeli cops locked the Maghareba Gate shortly after the break in and cordoned off the plazas of the site. Meanwhile, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) have been banning a group of Muslim women from entering al-Aqsa to perform their prayers. (PALINFO 16 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) organized the Jerusalem International Marathon for the 7th consecutive year in the street of Jerusalem supported by the occupation municipality, Ministry of Tourism and Ministry of Sports. The IOA organized this year’s Marathon under the name “50 years to the liberation of Jerusalem from invaders”; this year is the 50th anniversary of occupying the rest of the city of Jerusalem in 1967. The Marathon aims at showing the city of Jerusalem as an Israeli unified city with its two parts (East and West Jerusalem). (WAFA 17 March 2017)
• A Palestinian taxi driver from Jerusalem sustained fractures and bruises after being assaulted by two Israeli settlers while working in West Jerusalem. The Taxi driver was identified as Fadi Abed, 41. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian child from his house in Wadi Hilwah neighborhood in Silwan town south of Jerusalem city. The arrestee was identified as Muhammad Awni Siyam. (WAFA 19 March 2017)

• 131 Israeli settlers and students stormed Al Aqsa Mosque via Bab Al Magharba (Al Mughrabi Gate) under the cover of Israeli security Police and performed Talmudic Rituals. (WAFA 19 March 2017)

• Israeli Occupation authorities prosecuted two Palestinians for alleged “Facebook incitement,” amid an ongoing crackdown by Israel on Palestinian freedom of expression and social media activity. Israeli authorities issued a list of charges against Jerusalemite journalist Muhammad Batroukh, which included alleged incitement on Facebook, and extended his detention until Tuesday. Batroukh was detained on March 7, 2017. (Maannews 20 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian young man at a makeshift checkpoint near Anata town, northeast of Occupied Jerusalem, with no known reason. Israeli soldiers rounded up 19-year-old Sultan al-Naqib, from Askar refugee camp in Nablus, as he was traveling on a car near Anata. (PALINFO 20 March 2017)

• In occupied east Jerusalem, Israeli police kidnapped at dawn three Palestinians from their homes in Al Issawiya town. They were identified as Hatem Zumorod, Mohamed Naser, and Mohamed Muhaisen. (PALINFO 20 March 2017)

• Israeli settlers renewed their incursion to Al Aqsa Mosque via Bab Al Magharba (Al Mughrabi Gate) under the cover of Israeli security Police. The settlers carried out provocative tours in the courtyards of Al Aqsa Mosque. (Wafa 20 March 2017)

• The Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem forced a Palestinian from Al Isawiya town in occupied East Jerusalem to demolish his owned house under the pretext of unlicensing. The house is owned by Firas Salah Mahmoud and is 140 square meters area. (SAFA 20 March 2017)

• Israeli military Jeeps raided Qalandiya refugee camp north of Jerusalem city and fired tear gas bombs to disperse Palestinians who gathered to prevent the Israeli incursion to the area. The Israeli troops also distributed posters threatening Palestinian families in the camp to watch over their kids. No arrests or injuries were reported. (WAFA 21 March 2017)
• Around 60 Israeli settlers raided Al Aqsa Mosque via Al Magharba gate (Al Mughrabi gate) under the cover of Israeli security Police. (WAFA 21 March 2017)
• Tens of Palestinians suffered gas inhalation during clashes with the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Abu Dis town in Jerusalem Governorate. (SAFA 22 March 2017)
• The 15-year-old Bassam Shukri Qunbur was also kidnapped by the The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained from Jabal al-Mukabbir town in occupied East Jerusalem. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Majd Hani Abu Rmeila, 15, and his brother Jawad, 18, from Silwan city south of Jerusalem. (SAFA 22 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) punitively sealed a Palestinian home in the occupied East Jerusalem town of Jabal al-Mukabbir by pouring concrete inside the house, displacing five Palestinians -- including four children -- as a result. The house belonged to the family of Fadi al-Qunbar. Israeli special forces, police, and intelligence officers were heavily deployed in the neighborhood, having closed off the main streets and preventing vehicles and pedestrians from entering or leaving the area. (Maannews 22 March 2017)
• Any attempt to undertake construction in the area known as E1, which separates Jerusalem and the settlement of Ma’aleh Adumim in the West Bank, is like a red rag to the international community. Even these days, in the Trump era, when initiatives for annexing Ma’aleh Adumim keep appearing on the political agenda, the government seems to be very cautious with regard to expanding the settlement in the direction of Jerusalem in a way that would create territorial contiguity between the two. Nevertheless, in recent weeks there has been talk of several projects which could create a “mental” proximity between the two cities. Despite increasing voices in the coalition calling for legal annexation of Ma’aleh Adumim, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is dragging his feet out of concern for the international ramifications of such a move. Promotion of these new projects, however, could strengthen the ties between Jerusalem and the settlement and pass quietly under the diplomatic radar. For several weeks now, tractors have been working along Highway 1, which leads to Ma’aleh Adumim, just outside the city. They are busy constructing a new interchange which will provide easier access to Jerusalem for Ma’aleh Adumim residents. The non-profit Ir Amim organization says that this interchange is critical for future construction in E1, since it will serve as an alternative route for Palestinian traffic between the two.
cities. The plan for this interchange was approved in 2013. The Jerusalem Municipality’s finance committee also approved the construction of a new tunnel at the French Hill intersection, which will greatly alleviate traffic congestion in that area. Traveling from Jerusalem’s northern neighborhoods and Ma’aleh Adumim into the city’s core will thus become much easier. The city says that both projects are part of an overall plan to improve traffic infrastructure in the city’s north. In recent weeks demolition orders were issued for a Bedouin village lying along the highway. The houses there were built without permits decades ago and Israel has been trying to evacuate it for some time, and now intends to finally do so. In addition, Jerusalem’s Planning and Construction Committee has approved a plan for open areas within and around the city. The plan calls for designating the slopes of Mount Scopus that face Ma’aleh Adumim as a national park to be further developed. East Jerusalem residents and left-wing activists claim that this plan is designed to prevent any expansion of nearby Palestinian neighborhoods. “The right wing is trying to whitewash the E1 project by claiming that Ma’aleh Adumim lies within the national consensus,” says Aviv Tatarsky, a researcher at Ir Amim. “Building there will convert Ma’aleh Adumim from an Israeli negotiating point which could be part of a land swap with the Palestinians into a death blow for the two-state solution,” he says. “Investing billions in infrastructure there expresses a determination to foil such a solution. This involves the expulsion of thousands of Bedouin as well, while pretending to address the problems of nearby Arab neighborhoods. This is what makes continued Israeli rule over the Palestinians illegitimate,” he adds. The city responded by saying that it was improving infrastructure to meet the needs of a growing city, and that these projects would improve traffic congestion in the northern parts of the city. Plans are also being prepared for Arab neighborhoods, said a municipality spokesman. (Haaretz 22 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 15-year-old Bassam Shukri al-Qunbar from Jabal al-Mukabbir when the IOA raided the town to seal a home with cement, as a punitive action taken against the family of Palestinian Martyr Fadi al-Qunbar. (Maannews 23 March 2017)

- An Israeli police officer physically assaulted and injured several Palestinians in the occupied East Jerusalem neighborhood of Wadi Al Jouz. A plainclothes police officer aggressively verbally confronting a Palestinian truck driver after the latter allegedly hit the officer’s car. The officer the officer proceeds to headbutt, slap, punch, kick, and knee
the truck driver in the lower abdomen. Ahmad al-Tawil, a 26 year-old Jerusalemite who witnessed the scene, tried to intervene once the officer began assaulting the truck driver, only for the Israeli officer to hit him several times in the head and stomach, injuring al-Tawil in the eye. (Maannews 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) heightened movement restrictions at the gates of Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in occupied East Jerusalem after a sit-in was organized at the site following Friday prayers which demanded the release of slain Palestinian bodies withheld by the Israeli state. The IOA raided Al-Aqsa Mosque compound, while soldiers deployed at the gates of the holy site banned Palestinians from entering the area after the Dhuhr (afternoon) prayer. The IOA also searched all Palestinian youth “in a provocative manner” as they exited the compound following prayers and the subsequent sit-in. Additionally, the IOA stationed at the gate also detained an unspecified number of Palestinians and transported them to Israeli interrogation centers. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian Jerusalemites after raiding their homes in Jerusalem area. The arrestees were identified as Ameer Al Balbisi from As Suwana neighborhood and Abdel Raheem Barbar from Ras Al Amoud.

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested six Palestinians in Jerusalem following the Friday prayers at Al Aqsa Mosque. The arrestees were identified as Muhammad Al Shalabi, Issa Al Ja’bari, Alaa Ad Din An Natsheh, Hamza Malhes, Yazan Hisham Al Ja’bari and Siraj Ad Din Mureish. (SAFA 25 March 2017)

- The Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem forced, Yousif Bakhtan, a Palestinian from Al Ash Qaria Beit Hanina town north of Jerusalem city, to self-demolish the roof of his own house under the pretext of unlicensed building. (Safa 25 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a military checkpoint at Ras Jabal area in Jabal Al Mukkabir southeast of Jerusalem city, and started searching vehicles and Palestinians’ ID cards. (SAFA 25 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Abu Shosha family in Wadi Al Jooz neighborhood in Jerusalem city. (SAFA 25 March 2017)

- Dozens of Israeli settlers and members of the Israel Security Agency (Shin Bet) broke into al-Aqsa Mosque courtyards under the protection of the Israeli police. 53 settlers stormed the courtyard of al-Aqsa Mosque from Bab al-Magharbeh, which has been under full Israeli control since the occupation of Jerusalem in 1967, before the Israeli
police closed the gate at 11 am. The tours included some of the courtyards of al-Aqsa Mosque within a specific route ending with Bab al-Silsileh where the settlers performed Talmudic rites and prayers after exiting it. (PALINFO 26 March 2017)

- Dozens of Palestinian homes have become threatened with demolition as the Israeli municipal authority in Occupied Jerusalem is still embarking on building a link road passing through the Palestinian neighborhood of Jabal Mukaber. The road, to be named the American Street, would be 32 meters wide, thus leading to the demolition of 57 Palestinian homes. (PALINFO 26 March 2017)

- Israeli police detained four guards of Al-Aqsa Mosque, in Jerusalem after they stopped a Jewish archaeologist from stealing an ancient mosque stone. Police first detained three guards when they attempted to block the theft of the stone and shoved the director of Al-Aqsa Mosque, Omar Kiswani, when he tried to intervene on behalf of the employees. A fourth guard was later detained for the same reason. All four were taken into custody. (WAFA 27 March 2017)

- Israeli settlers attacked a number of Palestinian cars near the Spanish Consulate in Ash Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Jerusalem city. Attacks included punching the tires of some cars and writing racist slogans on others. (WAFA 27 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 10 security guards of the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in occupied East Jerusalem after they prevented an Israeli archaeologist from trying to remove an old stone from the religious compound. The altercation occurred after the guards intervened as the Israeli archaeologist, escorted by an Israeli police officer, entered the Al-Aqsa compound and tried to take a stone from an underground section below the al-Qibli mosque in the compound. The archaeologist was removed from the area, which is closed to the public, but later tried to re-enter via the underground Marwani prayer hall, when the security guards once again rejected him. The IOA detained three guards in the morning, while seven others were detained after Israeli police raided their homes later that afternoon. He identified the guards as Luay Abu al-Saad, Salman Abu Mayyala, Hamza Nimr, Arafat Najib, Ahed Judah, Muhammad Idriss, Samir al-Qabbani, Qasim Kamal, Usama Siyam, and Khalil al-Tarhouni. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

- In occupied East Jerusalem, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Luay Abu al-Saad and Suleiman Abu Mayyala. (Maannews 28 March 2017)
• A group of Israeli settlers attacked a number of Palestinian vehicles in Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Occupied Jerusalem. The attacks included damaging the tires of some vehicles and writing racist slogans on others. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

• The Israeli Jerusalem municipality’s bulldozers demolished a house and an under-construction building in the village of Esawyeh without prior notice under the pretext of building without a permit. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) along with municipality employees and a bulldozer raided the village in the early morning hours and demolished a 150-square meters house owned by Ahmad Abu Hummos; the family were getting ready to move-in after they had completed construction. The bulldozer also demolished an under-construction building that consists of one floor owned by Mheisen family. The first floor was built a year ago and the family had to stop construction following an order by the municipality. The demolition operation took place without prior notice. (SILWANIC 28 March 2017)

• The Israeli Jerusalem municipality’s bulldozers demolished two houses in the neighborhood of Al-Sal’a in the village of Jabal Al-Mukabber south of Jerusalem under the pretext of building without a permit. The Israeli police along with municipality employees and bulldozers raided the area of "Al-Mrooj- Al-Sal’a" in the village of Jabal Al-Mukabber and surrounded two houses owned by Islam Abbasi and his brother Moussa around 04:30 a.m. and surrounded them before evacuating the residents and proceeding with the demolition operation under the pretext of building without a permit. Islam’s family consists of 8 individuals (6 children) while the family of Imam consists of 6 individuals (4 children). The two houses were built in 2014 and have an area of 160 square meters. The family was able to extend and freeze previously issued demolition orders. The last extension was until mid-march, and the family filed a request to freeze the demolition order but the municipality never responded. (SILWANIC 29 March 2017)

• 58 Israeli settlers, escorted by police troops, stormed holy al-Aqsa Mosque. Settlers broke into the plazas of al-Aqsa Mosque and carried out sacrilegious rituals. The break-in comes a couple of days after Muslim guards at al-Aqsa thwarted a stone-theft attempt by an Israeli archaeologist. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three children from the neighborhood of Ras Al-Amoud in Silwan. The IOA arrested three children after raiding their homes in Ras Al-Amoud, they are: Ibrahim Ammar Saghal (13), Mohammad Mazen Shweiki (16) and Hamdi Jamal Jaber (16). (SILWANIC 29 March 2017)
Five Palestinian guards at al-Aqsa Mosque are to be brought to an Israeli court. The five guards, among 11 arrested by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) over the past couple of days, will be put on trial at Israel’s Central Court, in Occupied Jerusalem. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

Clashed erupted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinian citizens in Abu Dis town southeast of Jerusalem where the latter fired tear gas bombs at protestors to disperse them. (WAFA 30 March 2017)

Clashed erupted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinian citizens near the Israeli checkpoint at the entrance of Su’fat refugee camp in Jerusalem. (WAFA 30 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the office of Al-Hamoda company for foods and dairy products in As Sawahra Ash Sharqiya town near Ash Shayyah military checkpoint and started destroying office contents. (WAFA 30 March 2017)

Three “children” were detained from occupied East Jerusalem. The minors were identified as Ibrahim al-Zaghal, 13, Muhammad Shweiki, 16, and Hamdi Jaber, 16. (Maannews 30 March 2017)

Hebron

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 24-year-old Jumana Numan al-Rajabi from the street near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the southern occupied West Bank city of Hebron around midday. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 22-year-old Musab Bassam Qattan in the Hebron district during predawn raids. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

A young Palestinian man was shot and killed by an Israeli settler in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron after allegedly carrying out a stabbing attack near the illegal settlement outpost of Havat More in the Masafer Yatta area -- also known as the South Hebron Hills. The Palestinian was identified as the 25-year-old Saadi Mahmoud Ali Qaisiya, from the village of al-Dhahiriya west of Masafer Yatta. (Maannews 2 March 2017)

The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed at an early hour in the morning Beit Awa town in the west and kidnapped three young men from their homes. The detainees were identified as Omar Masalmeh, Farouq Hussein Masalma, Ali as-Suwaiti and Atef Hussein Al Shalash. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)
• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed ad-Dhahiriya town south of Hebron, raided homes and clashed with local young men near the house of martyr Sa'ad Qaisiya. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Hebron city and arrested Anas Muhammad Mahmoud Az Zugeir and Mansour Sameer Salem Al Qudsi. The IOA also stormed a number of houses in the city, of which, the houses of Abdel Karfeem Abu Shkheidem and Majed Azmi Abu Hammad were known. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)
• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) set up a makeshift checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city and kidnapped a university student. Border soldiers set up a roadblock on the Halhoul Bridge in rainy weather and embarked on intercepting cars and checking the IDs of citizens. The IOA stayed on the bridge for about one and a half hour before they rounded up a university student and removed their barriers. They identified the detainee as 22-year-old Mohamed Shalabi, a student at al-Quds Open University. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Al Fakhouri after assaulting him at the so-called “Al Mafia” checkpoint in the old city of Hebron. (WAFA 4 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Azmi Muhhamad Hamed Al Qwasmi, 22, while at his work in Farsh Al Hawa area west of Hebron city. (WAFA 4 March 2017)
• An Israeli military court has sentenced 32-year-old Ihsan Abd al-Fattah Dababsa to six months in administrative detention. Dababsa, from the town of Nuba northwest of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank, was detained from her home last week during overnight raids across the West Bank. Dababsa, a former prisoner, was assaulted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) when they detained her. (Maannews 5 March 2017)
• In the Hebron Governorate in the southern occupied West Bank, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed the town of Beit Kahil and detained 20-year-old Muhammad Mahmoud Asafira. (Maannews 5 March 2017)
• In the town of Beit Ummar north of Hebron, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 22-year-old Sabri Ibrahim Awwad after ransacking several homes in the area. (Maannews 5 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young Palestinian man in his twenties near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the southern occupied West Bank city of Hebron. The detainee was identified him as a teenager named Muhammad Ali Salim Ballut, from the town of Bani Naim east of Hebron. (Maannews 5 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a sudden military checkpoint at the entrance of Al Fawwar Refugee camp and closed the iron gate in the place. Only Palestinian pedestrians were allowed to enter. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) knocked down a Palestinian home located to the east of Hebron Governorate in the southern West Bank, near Kiryat Arba settlement to the ground. The home is owned by the Jaber family, was demolished under the unlicensed construction pretext. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed over a stop-construction notification to the Palestinian citizen Hassan Amr, from Beit Mersim village, southwest of Hebron Governorate. The targeted building covers an area of 200 square meters. (PALINFO, PNN 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and bulldozers demolished a Palestinian house owned by Badwan Abu Mayyala near “Mazare’ Al Baqar” area in Khallet ‘Eida’ southeast of Hebron city under the pretext of unlicensed building. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ravaged the home of the Palestinian citizen Mootaz al-Ja’bah and summoned him to questioning in Etzion camp. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

• Two Palestinian protesters choked on teargas after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into Hebron’s northern town of Beit Ummar and attacked Palestinian anti-occupation youth with randomly-unleashed waves of teargas grenades. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Munjed Khaled ‘Ashour from Hebron city after raiding his family house and messed with the contents. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

• In Beit Ummar town, north of Hebron city, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the house of Yousif Badr Ikheil, 37, and summoned him and his brother, Mahmoud 32, for interrogation in the Gush Etzion settlement block. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron and rumbled into the home of prisoner Tareq Id’is before they seized his father’s car. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

• In the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ravaged over 20 ex-prisoners’ homes and seized cash. Ex-prisoner Fayez Mesk was detained by the IOA for hours and subjected to intensive questioning before he was released afterwards. Ex-prisoner Mesk said that the occupation soldiers stole 15,000 shekels from his home. The campaign also targeted the homes of ex-prisoners Anas Zagheir, Ahmed al-Aweiwi (journalist), Sheikh
Fawzi al-Khatib, and Hesham al-Sharbati, among others. The IOA also rummaged into the home of ex-prisoner Rasmi Doufesh, the father of the two slain Palestinians Tareq and Jihad, and seized laptops and mobile phones. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) the Hajai road south of Hebron city, with no known reason. The Hajai road is an arterial route connecting all the southern towns and villages of Hebron with the north. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Surif village northwest of Hebron city and arrested Diaa Hasan Hmeidat.
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Kharas village and arrested Younis Awwad Al Hroub. (WAFA 8 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Beit Awwa town southwest of Hebron city and arrested Mahmoud Muhammad Sweiti. (WAFA 8 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Hebron city and arrested Muhammad Ibrahim Abu Sbeih. (WAFA 8 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) rummaged into ex-prisoners’ homes and summoned a number of civilians to questioning in Hebron city. Palestinian youth Shadi al-Atrash was kidnapped by the IOF from Abu Esneineh neighborhood, in southern Hebron city, and dragged to an unidentified location. The Israeli troops also broke into the homes of the Palestinian ex-prisoners Saad al-Qawasma, Abdul Karim al-Qawasmi, and Mohamed Abeid. At the same time, the IOA stormed the house of Palestinian citizen Abdul Ghani Taha and kidnapped his 18-year-old son, Alaa. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided several houses in Hebron city owned by Khaled As Sa’idi, Murad Ideis and Iyad Mujahed and commercial stores owned by Citizen Azmi Abu Rmeileh. The IOA also raided the houses of Marwan Al Qawasmi and Amer Abu Eisha. (WAFA 8 March 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided at dawn a lathe shop and confiscated some of its equipment in the southern Governorate Hebron city, south of the West Bank. The IOA stormed and ransacked a machine workshop belonging to Abdul-Shakur Ghanem in Wadi al-Hariya neighborhood, south of the city. The IOA confiscated some heavy tools and machines from the shop. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)
- The Shin Bet, Israel’s internal intelligence, kidnapped a young man and his mother in Hebron. The 32-year-old Rawhi Salimiya from Idhna town, west of al-Khalil, and his mother Mazuza were taken prisoners after they went to Etzion detention center in response to a summons
issued against them. The reason for their detention is also unknown. (PALINFO 9 March 2017)

- Israeli settlers of the illegal settlement of Maon east of the village of Yatta in the southern occupied West Bank uprooted tens of olive tree saplings and sprayed poisonous pesticides on Palestinian crops. Israeli settlers raided agricultural lands belonging to Fadel Jibril Moussa Rabiaa and his brothers in the village of al-Tawana near Yatta. The settlers reportedly cut the wires on the fence surrounding the lands, uprooted tens of olive trees, and sprayed pesticides in the area. (Maannews 9 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Munif Yousef Qazzaz (15 Years) at the entrance of Ash Shuhada street in central Hebron city and took him to unknown destination. (WAFA 11 March 2017)

- A number of Israeli settlers and their children attempted to enter a kindergarten on al-Shuhada street in Hebron’s Old City. Israeli settlers in Hebron often gather in al-Shuhada street and the neighborhood of Tel Rumeida during the Jewish holiday of Purim. The Hebron settlers chanted a number of anti-Palestinian slogan, including some hailing Baruch Goldstein, who killed 29 Palestinian Muslims in Hebron’s Ibrahimi Mosque in 1994. (Maannews 12 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Bani Na'aim village east of Hebron city and arrested father of Martyr Issa Trayra, Eid Soboh Salem 47, after searching his house and messing with its contents. (WAFA 13 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Shu‘ab Sir area near Karmei Ztur settlement and stormed the house of Jawad Jamal Awad, and arrested his son, Rabie, 21 Years. (WAFA 13 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Sultan Nadir Masalma and 15-year-old Yazan Daana from Hebron Governorate, from the town of Beit Awwa. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) brutally attacked a 15-year-old boy before being arrested and taken to an unknown detention center. The boy Yazin Amer was detained at a military checkpoint while on his way to school in Hebron after being severely beaten by Israeli forces, local sources affirmed. (PALINFO 17 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided Beit Awwa village southwest of Hebron city in southern West Bank, closed all of its entrances and set up military checkpoints. The IOA later started storming houses in the village and searching them. (WAFA 15 March 2017)
• A 17-year-old Palestinian teenager was detained by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in the occupied West Bank city of Hebron, at the Ibrahimi Mosque checkpoint in the Old City and questioned by the IOA. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• Six Palestinians were detained by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from the Hebron Governorate, identified in the statement as Musab Nidal Zghayyar, Khabab Munther Abu Sneineh, Abdullah Ahmad Zghayyar, Wael Yousif Abu Ayyash, Ibrahim Muhammad Awwad and Ali Muhammad al-Zaaqiq. Three were detained in Beit Ummar, two in Hebron city, and one in Rabud. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian ex-prisoner from Beit Ummar, north of al-Khalil, at a military checkpoint erected near Ramallah. The arrestee was identified as Thaer Awad, 29, while passing through Atara checkpoint, north of Ramallah. Thaer had earlier spent a year and a half behind Israeli bars, the sources added. (PALINFO 15 March 2017)

• In the southern West Bank Hebron Governorate, Israeli occupation army (IOA) arrested Ahmad al-Sharif al-Hih from the village of Surif. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

• A 16-year-old Palestinian was shot and killed and another Palestinian teen was moderately-to-seriously injured, after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at a group of Palestinian youth in al-Arrub refugee camp in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The 16-year-old Palestinian was identified as Murad Yusif Abu Ghazi who succumbed to a critical gunshot wound in his chest. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at dawn kidnapped an ex-prisoner from Dura town, in Hebron, in the southern West Bank. Israeli army patrols stormed the home of ex-prisoner Youssef Kazaz and wreaked havoc on the building before they dragged the arrestee to an unidentified destination. The Israeli soldiers seized Kazaz’s car and cracked down on his family members, sparking panic among women and children. (PALINFO 17 March 2017)

• The Israeli Ofer Court adjourned the trial of the female Palestinian MP Samira Halayka to the 21st of March 2017. Three hearings were held for MP Halayka but there were neither charges nor tangible evidence that legitimize her detention. The Israeli court claimed the trial was delayed again because an indictment list is being prepared against Halayka. (PALINFO 17 March 2017)

• Clashes erupted between Palestinians and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) following a funeral procession held for the 16-year-old Murad
Yusif Abu Ghazi in al-Arrub refugee camp north of Hebron in the southern occupied West Bank, after the boy was shot dead by the IOA. Eight young men were hit with rubber-coated steel bullets during clashes with Israeli troops that erupted after the funeral. (Maannews 18 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ma’moun Hussein An Natsheh, 18, while trying to access “Gelbret” checkpoint in Tel Ar Rumeida in Hebron city and took him to “Ja’bara” detention center in Kiryat Arba’ settlement. (WAFA 18 March 2017)

- Armed Israeli settlers of Havat Ma’on outpost attacked the family of Awad Abu Qbeitah while working in their land in At Tuwani village in Masafer Yatta south of Hebron city. The settlers hurled stones at the family in an attempt to prevent the family from coming back to their land which is located near the outpost. (WAFA 18 March 2017)

- Armed Israeli settlers of Kiryat Arba’ settlement hurled stones at a Palestinian vehicles owned by Araf Jaber in Jaber neighborhood east of Hebron city. The attack resulted in the destruction of the front glass of Jaber’s car. (WAFA 18 March 2017)

- A Palestinian prisoner held in Israeli custody has begun a hunger strike to denounce being held without trial or charges. Rafaat Shalash, a 34-year-old resident of the village of Beit Awwa town in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, reportedly started his hunger strike on March 16 in the Ktziot center. Shalash, a father of three children who has previously spent seven years in Israeli custody, was detained in January 2016 and was sentenced to administrative detention, a sentence which has since been renewed twice. His current administrative detention sentence is set to end in April. (Maannews 19 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Mamun al-Natsha in the Tel Rumeida neighborhood in Hebron city. (Maannews 19 March 2017)

- The Israeli military court of Salem issued a sentence of four life imprisonment terms against the young man Mohammad al-Haroub, from Deir Samet town near al-Khalil. The court also imposed a fine estimated at 750,000 shekels on detainee Haroub. His home was also knocked down by the Israeli occupation Army. (PALINFO 19 March 2017)

- The 18-year-old Maamoun al-Natsha was kidnapped by the Israeli soldiers near Gilbert checkpoint, in Tel al-Rumeida, in al-Khalil. (PALINFO 19 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Authorities notified to halt the construction of the house of Hani Saleem Fadel Jaber from Al Baq’a area east of Hebron city under the pretext of unlicensing. The house is 130 square meters area and is inhabited by 9 people. (WAFA 19 March 2017)

• Israeli occupation Army (IOA) with vehicles and one bulldozer stormed Beit Ummar town, north of al-Khalil city, and embarked on searching some homes. The IOA also searched the town’s Grand Mosque and its main graveyard. However, no arrests have been reported during the IOA campaign in the town. (PALINFO 20 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Yatta town south of Hebron city and searched a number of houses and messed with their contents. The searched houses belong to Thaer Dqamesh and Abed Rabee’ Al Hreini. (Wafa 20 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Hebron city, raided and searched Palestinian homes and summoned two Palestinians for interrogation. The two summoned Palestinians were identified as Naser Abu Sneenh and Muntaser Al Badawi. (Wafa 20 March 2017)

• A number of Israeli military patrols stormed Al Karaj area in the town of Yatta and raided the headquarters of the Zakat and Charity Committee of Yatta and broke its doors. The IOA also raided a lawyer's office and a traditional clothing shop in Hebron Governorate in the southern West Bank and conducted a thorough inspection to the aforementioned properties. (WAFA 21 March 2017)

• Palestinian MP Mohamed Ismail al-Tal, 49, was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the crack of dawn from his home in al-Dhahriya town in Hebron Governorate. The IOA soldiers seized his cell phones and laptop before they dragged him an unknown destination. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian anti-occupation youth in Dura town in Hebron Governorate with randomly-shot spates of gunfire. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Ebu Esneineh neighborhood, in the Old City of Hebron, in five military jeeps and a troop-carrier, and rummaged into civilian homes, before they summoned a number of Palestinians to questioning. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) ravaged the home of ex-prisoner Ahmad Amayreh south of Dura town in Hebron Governorate and gave him an interrogation writ, ten days after he was released from an
Israeli lock-up, where he had been held for 18 months. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) delivered demolition and stop-work orders to a Palestinian family in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA delivered two warrants to Muhammad Abd al-Nasser Jumaa, a resident of the Hebron-Governorate town of Beit Ummar and his father -- a demolition order for a 200-square-meter house under construction in the area of Beit Zaata, and a stop-work notice for a 100-square-meter home also under construction in the area. (Maannews 21 March 2017)

- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) member Muhammad al-Tal in the village of al-Dhahiriya. (Maannews 22 March 2017)

- In the Hebron Governorate, The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Tamara Zein and her 16-year-old son Ahmad al-Najjar in the village of Yatta, while Khader Idriss Nammura was detained in Dura. (Maannews 22 March 2017)

- In the Masafer Yatta area, in the South Hebron Hills, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated a bulldozer and a truck owned by Wael Ali Shreiti, a resident of the village of Shiaab al-Butum. The tools were used to build a dirt road to connect neighboring villages with one another. (Maannews 22 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muhammad Khaleel Abu Dayyah, 28, from Beit Ummer town in Hebron Governorate after raiding and searching his house. The IOA also searched the house of Muhammad’s brother, Hatem. (WAFA 22 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented Palestinian students from the Umm Salma primary school for girls in the village of Yatta, in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, from entering Jerusalem for a school visit, despite them having Israeli permits. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained a 17-year-old Palestinian for unknown reasons, while the boy was on his way to Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank. The boy, identified as Muhammad Imad Jaradat, was detained at the entrance of the town of Sair, northeast of Hebron. The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at the Beit Einun crossroads -- which the IOA sealed due to what they claimed was “an increase in stone throwing in the area” -- detained his cousin and took him to the Etzion detention center for unknown reasons. (Maannews 24 March 2017)
The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian youth, near an Israeli checkpoint near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the Old City of Hebron. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) has been denying the Palestinian captive Mohammad al-Arqan, 54, his right of family visitation for many years under alleged security pretexts. One of Al-Arqan children has not seen his father for 17 years. The rest of family members are allowed to see him via few and brief irregular visits. Prisoner Arqan, from Hebron, has been held captive since 1995. He serves a life sentence and suffers chronic diseases and is currently held in Raymond jail. (PALINFO 24 March 2017)

Israeli authorities closed entrances of the Beit Einun crossroads in the northern part of the Hebron Governorate, located in the southern occupied West Bank. The IOA closed various entrances of the crossroads with iron gates, preventing vehicles from passing through the crossroads, which connects Hebron with the town of Sair. The closure reportedly came upon an order by the Israeli military commander of the area who cited an increase of rock-throwing in the area. (Maannews 24 March 2017).

Several Palestinians suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation during an Israeli military raid in the town of Beit Ummar in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. Israeli soldiers raided and searched a local bakery and a family’s home during the raid that last more than two hours. (Maannews 25 March 2017)

In the southern West Bank Governorate of Hebron, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Raafat al-Tarada in the village of Taffuh west of Hebron city. The IOA stormed an apartment building in the village and proceeded to raid and ransack al-Tarada’s home, before they detained him and also seized a camera drone from the apartment. (Maannews 26 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Tarqumyia village west of Hebron city and searched the house of Firas Naji Abu Haltam, confiscated records of surveillance cameras and caused damages to house contents. (WAFA 27 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a military checkpoint in “Al Krantina” neighborhood in the heart of Hebron city and at the entrance of Al Fawwar Refugee camp, stopped Palestinian vehicles, searched them and checked Palestinian ID cards. (WAFA 27 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized a Palestinian-owned agricultural shed and seedlings in Yatta town, south of Hebron. A number of Israeli military vehicles stormed Rifa’iya area in the town
and confiscated an agricultural shed and seedlings belonging to the local farmer Mahmoud Amour.

- In the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian woman identified Tahani Hashim Jabir. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

- Two Palestinians, including one in his 19s, were kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) from the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. The IOA also wreaked havoc on civilian homes in Hebron’s southern neighbourhood, Abu Esneineh quarter. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed a lathe shop in Hebron city after confiscating its equipment. The IOA also confiscated Equipment, manufacturing tools and parts of homemade weapons from two lathe in Hebron and Yatta. Among owners, a Lathe belonging to Tayseer Abu Sbeih was identified in the southern area of Hebron, where lathe equipment was confiscated. (Maannews 29 March 2017)

- A number of Israeli Army troops (IOA) raided Ar Rafayia area in Yatta town south of Hebron city and confiscated an agricultural barracks and seedlings in the area owned by Mahmoud Muhammad Jaber Al ‘Oumor. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) wreaked havoc on civilian homes in the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron after they stormed the city in 11 military vehicles. The IOA kidnapped Mohamed al-Khadour from his home in Bani Na’im town and two other Palestinians from Beit Ummar. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained an unidentified Palestinian from the village of Yatta in the southern occupied West Bank Government of Hebron near the Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron city for allegedly possessing a pocket knife. (Maannews 31 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Forces (IOF) arrested four Palestinian activists of the National Campaign to Lift the Closure of the Old City of Hebron during the commemoration of the 41st anniversary of the Land Day in Jaber neighborhood close to Kiryat Arba settlement.

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and evicted others from the place, the assembly added. (PALINFO 31 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Younis Arrar from Yatta town south of Hebron city. The IOA also arrested Muhammad Ahmad An Najjar, 40, from Khallet Al Mai area east of Yatta town and took him to unknown destination. (WAFA 31 March 2017)

- Dozens of Israeli settlers stormed Al-Muwaraq Palace in Dura town, west of Hebron, under heavy military protection. A number of Israeli buses carrying dozens of settlers stormed the site escorted by large numbers of Israeli occupation Army (IOA). IOF soldiers were deployed in large numbers at the entrances of the town and prevented Palestinian movement during the provocative raid. The settlers performed Talmudic rituals in the Palace before leaving the area. Al-Muwaraq Palace is an ancient Roman building established over an area of 1,600 square meters. It is open daily except on Fridays, Saturdays and public holidays under the administration of the Palestinian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities. (PALINFO 31 March 2017)

Qalqilyah

- A Palestinian prisoner held in Israeli custody has been deprived of regular family visits for more than three years. Ali Muhammad Hassan, 47, from the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Qalqilyia, has not had regular family visits for more than three years. Hassan, a father of six, has been serving a life sentence plus seven years in Israeli prison since 2004. (Maannews 2 March 2017)

- Friday marches were held in the village of Kafr Qaddum in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Qalqilyah, where two Palestinians, including a Palestinian journalist, were injured by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA). Ahmad Shawer, a reporter for Palestine TV, was injured in the head, while another Palestinian was injured in the foot by rubber-coated bullets after the IOA suppressed the village’s weekly march against the Israeli occupation and settlements. The IOA chased protesters during the march while shooting live and rubber bullets. Very violent clashes erupted between Palestinian youths and the IOA that had raided the village, searched Palestinian homes, and attempted to ambush Palestinians in order to detain them, but failed. (Maannews 3 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a group of Palestinians, including women and children, while they were on their lands in the village of Azzun in the northern West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliya.
The IOA had detained Samir Mahmoud Shibita, Omar Muen Hussein, six children, and a number of other Palestinians. Shibita identified the four children as Muhammad Arif Dahbour, Thaer Safa Abed, Anas Zahran Shibita, and Mustafa Yassir Shibita. Later in the day another group of farmers, including women, were detained in the village, noting that Israeli soldiers took the cell phones of the detainees and bystanders and deleted photos of the detention process. (Maannews 3 March 2017)

- Israeli settlers assaulted and injured a Palestinian woman who was working on her agricultural lands in the northern occupied West Bank. More than 20 Israeli settlers from the illegal settlement outpost of Havat Gilad attacked Palestinian farmers working in their lands in the nearby village of Faraata in the Qalqiliya Governorate. Settlers attacked the farmers despite the fact that the Palestinians had coordinated with Israeli officials in order to access their lands in the area. The Israeli settlers destroyed an agricultural tractor owned by Abdullah Shanaa, causing clashes to erupt, during which 55-year-old Mariam al-Salman suffered from bruises on her upper body after settlers threw rocks at her. (Maannews 6 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Abdullah Hussam Huwari, Zeid Ali Adwan and ‘Alaa Sameer Shello from Azzun village in Qalqilyia Governorate after raiding several houses in the village. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Abdel Raheem Hanini, 35, from Qalqilyia city after raiding his family house and took him to unidentified location. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

- A Palestinian from Kfar Qaddum village in Qalqilyia Governorate was injured in the foot when the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the village and clashed with Palestinians. The injured Palestinian was identified as Murad Ishtewei, 21. The IOA also set up a sudden checkpoint at the entrance of the village, stormed one house and questioned its inhabitants. (WAFA 6 March 2017)

- At predawn time, Palestinian youth Talib Jumu’a sustained thigh wounds in clashes with the Israeli occupation army (IOA) in Kafr Qaddum village, in eastern Qalqilya. The IOA further kidnapped a Palestinian youth from the town and summoned four others to questioning. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raked through Qalqilyia’s eastern village of Azzun and broke into the home of the Palestinian citizen Sofyan Awdeh before they attacked his family members. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)
A Palestinian young man Ashraf Awda, from Azzoun town, east of Qalqilya, turned himself in to the occupation army following threats to arrest his father and brother. One day earlier, the IOF stormed Awda’s family home and detained his brother for hours. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) continue to hinder Palestinians farmers from Falamyia village in Qalqilya Governorate from accessing their lands located west of the Israeli Segregation Wall. The IOA has been hindering the issue of permits to Palestinian famers under various pretexts. (Maannews 9 March 2017)

In the village of Kafr Qaddum in Qalqiliya, a number of protesters suffered tear gas inhalation as The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed the village’s weekly march. The IOA raided the village and fired tear gas canisters at protesters. Violent clashes erupted between Palestinian youths and Israeli soldiers who were stationed on rooftops. They fired rubber-coated bullets and sound bombs at protesters. Maannews 10 March 2017)

Israeli Machinery have been leveling lands in Qalqilyia Governorate with the aim to build a new neighborhood in Oranit settlement. Around 100 dunums of lands of Azzun Atmeh, Sannirya and Beit Amin are threatened of confiscation due to the building process. The Israeli Occupation Authorities have been denying Palestinian farmers access to these lands in the past few years which are located west of the Israeli Segregation Wall. (WAFA 12 March 2017)

The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) obstructed the movement of Palestinian vehicles and passengers at the eastern entrance to Qalqilyah city, north of the West Bank. The Israeli soldiers set-up a roadblock at the eastern entrance to Qalqilya, intercepted and searched passing vehicles and checked the IDs of passengers. This roadblock led to traffic jams in both directions and long delays for citizens, who needed to reach their destinations. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

In the northern West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliya, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained former prisoner Nidal Muhammad Nawfal. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

In Qalqilia, dozens of Israeli soldiers stormed Naqar neighborhood and arrested a local resident after violently breaking into his house. (PALINFO 16 March 2017)

Two Israeli peace activists were injured and dozens of suffocation cases were reported among Palestinian citizens after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) quelled the anti-settlement peaceful march of Kafr Qaddoum which called for opening the town’s street that has been
closed for 14 years. The IOA fired rubber-coated metal bullets and tear gas canisters at the marchers injuring the two activists, one in the hand and the other in the face, and causing dozens of suffocation cases that were treated in the field. The IOA soldiers stormed the town, raided the houses, and stationed on the roofs to fire tear gas canisters at the marchers. They also took pictures of participants and set up ambushes. (PALINFO 17 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up a military checkpoint at the entrance of Izbat At Tabib village east of Qalqilyia city in the northern West Bank. The IOA stopped a number of Palestinians at the checkpoint and questioned them resulting in obstruction of traffic. (SAFA 19 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Odai Samir Abu Haniya in the village of Azzun in the northern Qalqiliya Governorate. (Maannews 20 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinian young men for a while at a roadblock near Qalqilya city, north of the West Bank. Israeli soldiers set up a makeshift checkpoint on the road between Qalqiliya city and Izbat Attayeb village and obstructed the movement of passing vehicles. The soldiers detained two young passengers for some hours but released them later before removing barriers from the road and withdrawing from the area. (PALINFO 20 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) delivered new notifications endorsing the confiscation of dozens of dunums of Palestinian lands in Jayyous and Falamiya towns, east of Qalqilia. The issued notifications endorsed the confiscation of 169 dunums which were seized by the Israeli occupation authorities four years ago. The 169 confiscated dunums, located behind the Segregation wall, were fenced four years ago by an Israeli military order and all trees on those dunums were uprooted. (PALINFO 20 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian young men from Qalqilya city and released them hours later on. The IOA soldiers questioned both men at the makeshift barrier that was erected at the road between Qalqilya and Ezbet al-Tabib hamlet. Israeli soldiers stopped a Palestinian car and detained the two men for a while then removed the checkpoint. The IOA troops were deployed in the vicinity of Azzoun town. They erected a military checkpoint on the nearby tunnel road, the sources added. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Qalqilya’s eastern village of Azzun, where Palestinian vehicles and civilians were subjected to thorough inspection. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Kafr Qaddum village and arrested Ayman Rafeeq Shtwei, 40, and Nader Amer, 27, and raided a number of Palestinian houses in the village. (WAFA 23 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped seven Palestinians from the northern West Bank Governorate of Qalqilya. The IOA rolled into Qalqilya city in over 20 military jeeps and attacked the Palestinian protesters with spates of teargas canisters, resulting in several suffocation cases. The assault triggered violent clashes with Palestinian anti-occupation youth. The list of arrestees included ex-prisoner Tahseen Daoud, 47, who was kidnapped by the IOF from his own family home, Firas Bennan Ulba, Waleed HUteari, 40, Hamza Hutari, 21, and Waseem Hutari, 38. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a weekly march held in the village of Kafr Qaddum in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Qalqiliya, causing at least ten Palestinians to suffer from tear gas inhalation. Israeli border police fired tear gas and rubber-coated bullets at protesters, causing ten Palestinians to suffer from tear gas inhalation. The IOA also attempted to ambush a number of Palestinians in order to detain them. However, no detentions were reported. Over the course of five years, an elderly protester was killed after suffering from excessive tear gas inhalation, one youth lost his eyesight, and another his ability to speak, he added. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) rolled into the northern West Bank Governorate of Qalqilya and kidnapped 21-year-old Palestinian youth Qassam Abdul Hafidh after they wreaked havoc on his family home and attacked his relatives. The detainee was later dragged to an unidentified destination. The IOA rolled into Qalqilya in a number of military vehicles and set up ambushes and checkpoints. (PALINFO 24 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raked through Qalqilya on claims that an explosive device was spotted near Eliyahu checkpoint. The IOA broke into Palestinian homes in al-Kar’an neighborhood and subjected the inhabitants to intensive questioning. (PALINFO 27 March 2017)

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained journalist Ayoub Mazouz Hassan in the Qalqiliya Governorate. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

• Israeli settlers assaulted Palestinian farmers from several Qalqilya area villages in the north of the occupied West Bank. Settlers from the
nearby illegal Havat Gilad settlement outpost attacked the farmers who were working on their land. Even though Palestinian farmers had coordinated with the Israeli military to access their lands, the farmers were surprised when they were attacked by the settlers while the Israeli soldiers present at the scene did nothing to stop them. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

- A round of clashes rocked Qalqilya, in the northern West Bank, and culminated in a set of ambushes and military checkpoints arbitrarily pitched in the city. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a weekly march in the village of Kafr Qaddum in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Qalqilya injuring four Palestinians with rubber-coated bullets fired by the IOA at demonstrators. The IOA fired rubber-coated bullets at protestors, causing “slight injuries” to four Palestinians. An Israeli bulldozer, escorted by Israeli forces, damaged the main network of the village’s water supply, causing the water to cut off in the village for hours before the damage was fixed by the village’s council. (Maannews 31 March 2017)

Tubas

- In the northern occupied West Bank, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Tayasir in the Tubas Governorate and detained 29-year-old Juma Khalid Abu Amr, and 19-year-old Yazid Zahi Abu Ali. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 5 donkeys in the northern Jordan Valley and handed it to Israeli settlers in Kherbit Mazuqeh. (WAFA 2 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Khalet Hamad east of Tubas and arrested a local shepherd and prevented Palestinians’ movement in the area. The IOA violently stormed the area and arrested a shepherd. The detainee was investigated for more than three hours on charges of sheep grazing in the area. (PALINFO 4 March 2017)

- Israeli bulldozers leveled large areas of Palestinian lands in the Jordan Valley as a prelude to establish new settlement projects in the area. Israeli razing operations are carried out in Palestinian lands earlier confiscated by Israeli authorities and declared as closed military zone. Israeli authorities have earlier declared intention to grant each settler 50 dunums in the Jordan Valley with the aim of implementing settlement projects. Over the past two days, large lands of the Jordan Valley were fenced for unknown reasons. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)
• Israel’s so-called “Nature Authority” afternoon detained Palestinian Akoub (Gundelia) harvesters in the northern Jordan Valley and seized their cattle. The Nature Authority cracked down on the Palestinian pickers of Akoub plant in the Jordan Valley. Wildfires broke out across the mountains while bird eggs and baby animals have been burned down due to incessant Israeli military maneuvers in the area. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

• A group of armed Israeli settlers attacked Palestinian shepherds in the Jordan Valley near Tubas to the north of occupied West Bank. The shepherds were forced to leave the scene under gun threat. (PALINFO 9 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) notified to halt the construction of an agricultural barracks in Kardala village in the northern Jordan Valley owned by Inad Rushdi Muhammad Sawafta. (WAFA 14 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed over a stop construction order against a pool used for drinking in Al Farisiya village in the Jordan valley under the same pretext. (WAFA, PALINFO 15 March 2017)

• In the Tubas Governorate, the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians, and identified them as former prisoner Abdullah Jihad Bani Odeh from Tubas, former prisoner Muath Khalid Daraghma from Tubas, and Luay Rashid Daraghma. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Tamun town, east of Tubas city, and arrested a young man from his house. A number of checkpoints were also erected throughout the town. (PALINFO 16 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at daybreak seized Palestinian vehicles east of Tubas city, in the northern West Bank. Israeli soldiers seized a car of the Mitsubishi brand and another vehicle owned by Palestinian citizen Hayel Turkman, along with an agricultural tractor belonging to citizen Namer Harroub Under the pretext that they are used to cultivate military lands and carry water tanks to Palestinians. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a young Palestinian man in the village of Ibziq in the northern Jordan Valley region of the occupied West Bank and confiscated a tractor and a private vehicle in the area. The IOA, escorted by several Israeli Civil Administration jeeps, detained Mahmoud Muhammad al-Hroub, 23, and confiscated a tractor belonging to his father and a vehicle belonging to Hayil Turkman. The confiscated vehicles were taken to the Nahal military
site in the al-Maleh area of the Jordan valley. (Maannews 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 23-year-old Mahmoud Muhammad al-Hroub from the village of Ibziq in the northern Jordan Valley region of the occupied West Bank when a tractor and private vehicle were also confiscated.

- A delegation of the Israeli Civil Administration visited the Jordan Valley Regional Council, compromising 21 illegal settlements, to discuss ways to establish new development projects in the Jordan Valley settlements. The meeting was attended by David El Hayani, mayor of the Jordan Valley Regional Council, and Aravot HaYarden, chairman of the council. The discussion covered means of developing agriculture, tourism, and other economic sectors in the settlements. El Hayani revealed plans to establish new tourism projects in the area including restaurants and parking. The new projects came as part of the Israeli settlement expansion policy which has notably escalated over the past few months. (PALINFO 24 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) notified several Palestinian families in the northern Jordan Valley region of the occupied West Bank that they would have to evacuate their homes on Wednesday (the 29th of March 2017) to make way for Israeli military training exercises. The IOA ordered more than 10 Palestinian families in the Ras al-Ahmar area northeast of Tubas to leave their homes starting at 5 p.m. Wednesday until 5 a.m. on Thursday. Meanwhile, Israeli media reported that the Israeli army had announced that military drills were set to take place in several areas of the occupied West Bank this week between Sunday and Thursday. (Maannews 26 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) along with groups of settlers banned Palestinians from continuing the construction of three stockyards in Khallet Hamad area, which is endangered of confiscation, east of Tubas city. The IOF soldiers evicted Palestinians from their own lands and warned them of violating the construction ban order. (PALINFO 26 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) notified to halt the construction of an agricultural road that is intended to link Kardala village with Al Qa’oun valley in the far most part of the Jordan Valley; The IOA also notified to halt the construction of an under-construction water pool in Kardala village in Tubas Governorate. (WAFA 27 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) troops stormed Tubas and broke into the home of Palestinian citizen Mohamed Daraghma, before they kidnapped his 17-year-old son, Seif, and cracked down on his family
members. The IOA further kidnapped 18-year-old Jamal Musalamani from his family home in Tubas. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) notified to evacuate four Palestinian residencies in Humsa Al Fouqa village in the northern Jordan Valley from 5:00 pm on Wednesday to 5:00 am on Thursday for military drillings. (WAFA 28 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) dismantled a Palestinian owned Caravan that was erected some days ago in Al Himma area in the northern Jordan valley. The caravan is owned by citizen Muhammad Awwad. Note that the family received halt of construction orders to three barracks and a caravan in the area. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

- A Palestinian youth was kidnapped by the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) from Tubas. Israeli soldiers deployed at al-Hamra checkpoint, separating Jericho and the Jordan Valley from the northern occupied West Bank, stopped a vehicle and arrested the youngster Mohamed Ayeda, before they dragged him to an unidentified destination. The Israeli soldiers were reportedly carrying a list of wanted Palestinians and inspecting the passengers’ identity documents in search for alleged anti-occupation protesters. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

Ramallah

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinian students from Birzeit University, including three women, when clashes erupted near Israel’s Ofer detention center in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah. The detainees were identified as Ahmad Khader, Hasan Daraghmeh, Miran al-Barghouthi, Bayan Safi, and Zeinab al-Barghouthi. Israeli military jeeps chased the students and assaulted and detained them before transferring them to Ofer. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

- Several Palestinians suffered from severe tear gas inhalation when clashes broke out with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) as students of Birzeit University staged a protest against the detention of at least six fellow students by Israeli forces. Students rallied from the Birzeit University campus northeast of Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank to the Israeli military checkpoint of Beit El some five kilometers away. (Maannews 2 March 2017)

- In the village of Nabi Saleh in Ramallah Governorate, the IOA and settlers allegedly assaulted Palestinians during a peaceful march launched in the village against Israeli occupation. The IOA fired live
ammunition, rubber bullets, sound bombs, and tear gas canisters into the crowd of demonstrators, causing many to suffer from tear gas inhalation. Israeli settlers also attacked Palestinian journalists during the march, reportedly under the protection of Israeli soldiers, forcing them to leave the area. Israeli settlers also threw rocks at Palestinian vehicles and closed the main entrance of the village and prevented anyone from passing. Meanwhile, the IOA closed the gate to the village and banned Palestinians from passing. (Maannews 3 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian young man after breaking into different areas of Ramallah in the central West Bank. Israeli media sources claimed that an activist in Hamas Movement was arrested in Sinjil village town in Ramallah and was taken for investigation. (PALINFO 3 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested six Palestinians including a child when clashes broke out near Ofer prison in Ramallah. Heavy firing of teargas bombs was monitored during the clashes, leaving a number of protesters suffering breathing problems. Journalists have been also attacked by IOA while covering the events. Five Palestinian youths and a 13-year-old child were detained and taken to a nearly investigation center. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot a Palestinian youth in the head with a live bullet when clashes erupted in the occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah in the village of Silwad. The IOA had chased the 18-year-old and opened live fire on him, injuring him in the head with a live bullet, detained him and transferred him to an unknown location in a military vehicle. The injured Palestinian was identified as 19-year-old Jihad Muhammad Hammad. (Maannews 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinian minors and a youth during clashes that erupted after a march was organized near the Ofer detention center in western Ramallah. The march set off from Ramallah city and headed to the detention center in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners. The IOA fired rubber-coated bullets, sound bombs, and tear gas canisters at protesters. (Maannews 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Beitunia and chased Palestinian youths, detaining four and transporting them to Ofer center. (Maannews 10 March 2017)

- In the village of Bilin west of Ramallah, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians after installing checkpoints at three roads leading to the village, preventing foreign protesters to enter the
village and participate in their weekly march. The IOA detained Majdi Abu Rahma, 32, and seized his vehicle, while also detaining Issa Khader Abu Rahma, 14. During the march, the IOA shot tear gas canisters at the protesters, causing many to suffer from tear gas inhalation, as clashes broke out between soldiers and Palestinian youth. (Maannews 10 March 2017)

- A Palestinian minor was shot and injured by a rubber bullet after Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) violently attacked the weekly march staged in Nilin town, west of Ramallah, against Israel’s segregation wall and settlement. A number of Palestinians along with foreign solidarity activists choked on tear gas as well. The march kicked off after Friday prayer and headed to the separation wall. The IOA showered the participants in the march with tear gas and rubber bullets resulting in cases of suffocation among the marchers and the injury of a 14-year-old boy with a rubber bullet in his foot. (PLAININFO 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the central occupied West Bank village of Birzeit twice and detained a Palestinian university student from his home. The IOA raided the village, troops escorted a handcuffed and blindfolded Palestinian youth from a military vehicle and took him into the local cemetery for unknown reasons. After roughly an hour, the IOA escorted the youth, back into the vehicle as soldiers were carrying "black bags" that seemed to have been "hidden in the cemetery,". The raid sparked clashes between locals and the Israeli soldiers, though no injuries were reported. Hours later, Israeli forces raided the town once again and surrounded a building that serves as a private dormitory for students at Birzeit University, and detained a student whose identity has not been revealed. (Maannews 11 March 2017)

- A 24-year-old girl Batoul al-Rumhi was kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) from her family home in Surda village, north of Ramallah. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

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• A number of injuries were reported as clashes broke out between Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and local youths in Budrus town, west of Ramallah. The clashes broke out when the IOA violently stormed the town amid heavy firing of tear gas bombs. The IOA also prevented Palestinian vehicles’ entry into the town in total provocation to local residents while continuing to randomly fire tear gas bombs at local homes. (Maannews 14 March 2017)

• Israeli settlers have started to assemble a new settlement outpost on Palestinian land in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah. Israeli settlers have set up caravans in the area of al-Tabbun in al-Mughayyir, Abu Falah, and Kafr Malek villages. Settlers also had placed barbed wire around the caravans in the new outpost, while opening a road in order to facilitate reaching the outpost from a nearby settler bypass road. The new outpost is the second reported since the start of the year, with Israeli settlers setting up mobile homes on land belonging to the village of Azmut in the northern West Bank district of Nablus at the start of the year. The new outpost is located just a few hundred meters away from the illegal Elon Moreh settlement. (Maannews 14 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the village of Bilin in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah and detained 17-year-old Abd al-Khaliq Burnat. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

• In the Ramallah Governorate, Amr Mahmoud Barghouthi was detained by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in the village Deir Ghassana, (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Yousif Muhammad Odeh from Deir Ammar village in Ramallah Governorate. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Uday al-Tamimi and Mahmoud al-Ashweh from Nabi Saleh village in Ramallah Governorate. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Muhammad Salameh Khasib and Laith al-Barghouthi from Arura village in Ramallah Governorate. (Maannews 15 March 2017)
The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Laith al-Barghouthi from Deir Abu Mashaal village in Ramallah Governorate. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

In the central West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, Israeli occupation army (IOA) detained two Palestinians from the al-Amari refugee camp, identified as Ayman Abu Arab and Ahmad Abu Arab. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

Two Israeli peace activists were injured, and a number of Palestinian citizens choked on tear gas after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) quelled two anti-settlement and anti-occupation marches in Ni’lin and Kafr Qaddum towns in the occupied West Bank. The IOA fired sound bombs and tear gas canisters at the protesters in Ni’lin anti-settlement, anti-wall weekly march as they approached the apartheid wall built on the town’s lands. (PALINFO 17 March 2017)

The Israeli occupation army (IOA) stormed at daybreak Ramallah and al-Bireh, in the central West Bank. Israeli soldiers rolled into Ramallah and al-Bireh via al-Tira road and raked through southern residential neighborhoods. No arrests were reported in the assault. (PALINFO 17 March 2017)

The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained raided the central occupied West Bank town of Birzeit before dawn, detaining student and former member of Birzeit University’s student council Istabraq al-Tamimi after breaking into her dormitory. Several other houses were raided in the area. (Maannews 20 March 2017)


One Palestinian was detained in the Ramallah-area village of Abud. (Maannews 22 March 2017)

The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained Ali Ahmad Khatab and Murad Suleiman Ata from Ramallah Governorate. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Ribhi Nafe’ after raiding his house in Ni’lin village west of Ramallah city and took him to unknown destination. (SAFA 22 March 2017)

The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested citizen Ali Ahmad Khattab after raiding his house in Beit Sira village west of Ramallah city. (SAFA 22 March 2017)

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• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah and detained Ali Ahmad Khattab in the village of Beit Sira, Hassan Ribhi Nafe from the village of Nilin, and 17-year-old Murad Suleiman Atta from Deir Abu Mashaal village. (Maannews 23 March 2017)

• At least five Palestinian youths, were injured with live fire, while seven others were injured with rubber-coated steel bullets by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) what started out as a peaceful anti-settlement demonstration in the eastern Ramallah Governorate of the central occupied West Bank. The clashes took place near the villages of Kafr Malik and al-Mughayyar, where residents of the villages were protesting the construction of an illegal Israeli settlement on the lands of the two villages. In addition to those injured by live fire and rubber bullets, dozens others suffered from severe tear-gas inhalation. Among those who suffered from severe tear gas inhalation were multiple journalists, including AP photographer Nasser al-Shuyoukhi, who fainted as a result. The march set off towards the lands threatened with confiscation, where Israeli settlers have set up an illegal outpost in anticipation of a new settlement. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

• Clashes erupted between locals of al-Jalazun refugee camp in Ramallah Governorate and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) who were deployed at the entrance of the illegal Israeli Beit El settlement in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, shortly after the IOA killed one Palestinian teenager, the 17-year-old Muhammad Mahmoud Ibrahim al-Hattab, and critically injured three others in the same area identified as 8-year-old Jassem Muhammed Nakhla, who was shot in the head and foot, 18-year-old Muhammad Hattab, who was shot in the abdomen, and 18-year-old Muhammed Musa Nakhla who was shot in the foot and shoulder. The IOA fired live-fire, rubber-coated steel bullets, stun grenades, and tear gas at protesters. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

• Palestinians from the central occupied West Bank Ramallah-area village of Bilin set out on their weekly march, in protest of Israeli settlement expansion and the construction of the Israeli separation wall on the village’s lands. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) took pictures of protesters who claimed threw rocks at the separation wall and Israeli military vehicles in the area. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

• In Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank, Israeli troops detained 26-year-old Ahmad Saleh Awni. (Maannews 26 March 2017)
• Two Palestinians were shot and lightly injured by rubber-coated steel bullets after violent clashes erupted between Israeli occupation Army (IOA) and Palestinian youth at Israel’s Atara military checkpoint north of Ramallah in the central occupied West Bank. (Maannews 27 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) forced their way into the house of the Palestinian cartoonist Osama Nazal in western Ramallah and confiscated all his drawings. Nazal, from Kafer Naama village west of Ramallah, affirmed that IOA soldiers violently stormed his family house at 4 am and destroyed his atelier before confiscating his drawings for unknown reasons. (PALINFO 27 March 2017)

• In the central West Bank Governorate of Ramallah, Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians, identified as Jihad Sari Wahdan, Muataz Samih Wahdan, and Zeid Samhan Wahdan. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed the iron gate at the entrance of An Nabi Saleh village northwest of Ramallah city in the central West Bank and banned Palestinian movement to and from the village. Palestinians had to search for alternative roads to reach their destination. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) continues for the second day on row the closure of the main entrance of An Nabi Saleh village northwest of Jerusalem city. (WAFA 30 March 2017)

• Citizen Hamza Fouad Abu al-Hajj was detained from the Deir al-Sudan village in the Ramallah Governorate in the central West Bank. (Maannews 30 March 2017)

• Israeli soldiers shot a 15-year-old Palestinian with a live bullet near the village of Nilin in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Ramallah for allegedly throwing a Molotov cocktail at an Israeli settler’s vehicle near an Israeli bypass road in the territory. The boy was identified as Utayba Jiyyad Hussein Amireh. Israeli soldiers sealed the area following the shooting and prevented people and Palestinian Red Crescent ambulances from approaching the wounded teenager. Amireh was detained and transferred to an unidentified location. The entrance of Nilin was also sealed, as Israeli forces erected a military checkpoint and prevented any vehicles from coming in or out of the village. (Maannews 31 March 2017)

• The Israeli Ofer military court turned down an appeal filed on behalf of the Palestinian administrative detainee Walid al-Houdeli, aged 57. The Israeli court confirmed the administrative term of prisoner al-Houdeli with neither charge nor trial. The Ofer court pledged that the sentence
will be the last issued against al-Houdeli in case new “secret data” do not emerge. Palestinian detainee al-Houdeli was arrested on January 16, 2017. (PALINFO 31 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians from Silwad village east of Ramallah city after raiding their houses. The four arrestees were identified as Muhammad Husam Hamed, 16, Abdel Qader Saed Hamed, 16, Muhammad Abdel Majeed Hammad, 32, and a fourth Palestinian whose ID is still unidentified. The IOA also raided several houses in the village and questioned inhabitants. Of the targeted houses, the house of Martyr Anas Hammad was known. (WAFA 31 March 2017)

**Jericho**

- The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) bulldozed agricultural lands in Jericho city, north of occupied Jerusalem, and uprooted and stole 400 palm seedlings near al-Karama crossing between Jordan and the West Bank. The agricultural lands were razed by Israeli bulldozers without a prior notice. The 400 palm seedlings were planted two years ago, were uprooted and stolen by workers brought by the IOA under the protection of Israeli soldiers. The IOA claimed that these lands are located in Area C despite the fact that their owners have official documents confirming their ownership and the workers hired to work in palm cultivation in these lands have licenses. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) notified to halt the construction of a “Generation of energy via solar cells to operate a Saline Desalination Plant” project in An Na’ja village north of Jericho city which will serve a group of Palestinian farmers in the area, under the pretext of unlicensing. The project is funded by the Belgium Government. (WAFA 17 March 2017)

- In the Jericho district, Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained 18-year-old Wadi Issa Jibril Manasra in Ein as-Sultan refugee camp, as well as 23-year-old Saleh Ibrahim Nimr Sawarka in the village of Marj al-Najah. (Maannews 20 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Bulldozers demolished two agricultural barracks in Az Zubeidat village to the north of Jericho city. The demolished structures belong to Salameh Ahmad Az Zubeidat and Ahmad Odeh Az Zubeidat. (WAFA 22 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) destroyed a blacksmith shop, which belonged to the Palestinian Anwar Abu Joudeh, in al-Jeftlik
town north of Jericho in the Jordan Valley under the same pretext. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) razed to the ground three Palestinian homes under construction in al-Matar area east of Jericho for lacking construction permits. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)

Salfit

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed entrances of the village of Marda in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit preventing Palestinian vehicles and citizens from leaving or entering the area. The IOA closed the iron gates installed at the entrances of Marda by Israeli authorities in 2000 when the Second Intifada broke out across the occupied Palestinian territory. The IOA closed the gates after claiming that residents of the area threw stones at Israeli settler cars passing Abir al-Samra street near the village. (Maannews 2 March 2017)

- Israeli settlers stormed Kafl Haris village north of Salfit Governorate, and defiled holy Islamic shrines. Prior to the break-in, the Israeli occupation army cordoned off Kafl Haris and set up arbitrary military checkpoints on the main access roads to the area. The Israeli military patrols further blocked Palestinians’ access out of and into the town while fanatic settlers verbally assaulted the Palestinian locals. The Israeli settlers also pasted racist and anti-Muslim flyers on Palestinian homes and civilian structures in Kafl Haris. A series of flying checkpoints was randomly set up by the Israeli army across the area, restricting Palestinians’ movement inside and out. (PALINFO 6 March 2017)

- Israeli settlement construction has notably escalated at the expense of the land of the Palestinian ancient village of Shajara to the north of Salfit. Israeli settlement construction has continued unabated at the historical site, damaging a lot of its archaeological landmarks and artifacts. Israeli bulldozers have damaged the ancient wells and olive and grape press in the site to replace them by a settlement road. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) raided the Palestinian village of Kifl Haris in the central occupied West Bank Governorate of Salfit to provide protection for Israeli settlers visiting a site believed to be a Jewish shrine. Chief of the illegal Nablus-area settlement bloc Yossi Dagan and Eli Shapiro, the chief of the illegal Israeli settlement of Ariel, were among the visitors to the tomb of Joshua. The Israel army’s
commander in the Nablus area was also reportedly among the visitors. (Maannews 12 March 2017)

- In Qarawat Bani Hassan west of Salfit, the 22-year-old Yahya Abd al-Aziz Assi was detained, who the Israeli army also said was a Hamas operative. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

- A group of Israeli settlers stormed Kifl Hares village, north of Salfit, and performed Talmudic rituals near its historical monuments in clear provocation to local residents. (PALINFO 16 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) set up military checkpoints at the main entrances of Salfit city in the northern occupied West Bank. The IOA imposed strict restrictions on checkpoints, stopping vehicles and searching ID cards of passengers and pedestrians, causing major traffic jams traffic. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

- Israeli bulldozers continued to raze Palestinian land tracts across Salfit governorate in favor of illegal settlement expansion. The Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian lands near illegal settlement outposts. Palestinian lands in and outside Leshem outpost, Kafr al-Deek, Rafat, and al-Zawiya, have also been bulldozed in the process. (PALINFO 19 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) launched a new surveillance balloon over the eastern parts of Salfit. Israeli soldiers stationed at Zaatara checkpoint launched since the early morning hours a spy balloon over a number of Palestinian villages between Nablus and Salfit. The balloon is carrying aerial cameras, the sources pointed out. (PALINFO 20 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed al-Zawiya village in Salfit Governorate, at 2 a.m. and wreaked havoc on the home of ex-prisoner Rafat Moukadeh before they subjected the latter to intensive questioning. The IOA also stormed the house of the Palestinian ex-prisoner Alyan Moukadeh and subjected him to exhaustive interrogation. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) delivered stop-work orders to seven Palestinian families in the village of Kafr al-Dik west of Salfit in the central occupied West Bank. Israeli troops stormed a neighborhood in the west side of the village known locally as "al-Khilal" and delivered stop-work warrants to seven families. The houses belong to Ahmad Bakr, Yazid Darwish, Jamal Mustafa, Mahmoud Mustafa, Ashraf Naji, Hussam Mustafa Naji, and Ibrahim Naji. (Maannews 21 March 2017)

- Two Palestinians others were detained in Qarawat Bani Hassan in the Salfit Governorate. (Maannews 22 March 2017)
• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) prevented Palestinians from accessing areas around the Wadi Qana valley west of Deir Istiya village in northern Salfit in the central occupied West Bank, in order to create a "comfortable atmosphere" for illegal Israeli settlers in the area. The Israeli authorities closed the entrance of Wadi Qana, preventing Palestinians from entering the area from 8 a.m to 3 p.m Friday to provide a "comfortable atmosphere" for Israeli settlers from the nearby Karnei Shomron settlement who organize an annual "spring march" in the area. The IOA had put up signs in Hebrew reading "no entry" late Thursday and informed farmers that the area was closed by the IOA the next day. Israeli settlers arrived in the area with power generators and "entertainment tools. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

• Israeli settlers stormed Deir Ballut village, west of Salfit Governorate, in the northern West Bank, raked through Palestinian lands in Deir Balout and verbally assaulted the local Palestinian farmers. Israeli soldiers deployed at a military watchtower east of Deir Balout kept watching over the settlers all the way through the assault. The Israeli settlers reportedly headed to Palestinian olive groves located east of the town, sparking tension in the area. (PALINFO 24 March 2017)

• Israeli Occupation army (IOA) detained Palestinian youngster Amir Sweilam near Zaatara checkpoint. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

• Israeli occupation authorities prevented workers of the Salfit municipality in the central occupied West Bank from paving a new dirt road intended to help Palestinian farmers access their agricultural lands in the al-Thahar agricultural area in the northern outskirts of Salfit. Israeli troops stormed the area twice while municipality crews were working on the road. The soldiers coerced workers and crews to stop work, claiming the road is too close to Israel’s separation wall,” which separates Salfit and the illegal Israeli Ariel settlement. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) banned Palestinian Agriculture Ministry teams from building an agricultural road north of Salfit city in the West Bank for being close to Ariel settlement. The ministry has been working for two years on a project aimed at building agricultural roads in the Israeli-controlled areas classified as Area C as well as areas close to the Separation Wall and settlements. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation army (IOA) conducted foot patrols in Salfit mountains and launched two spy balloons in the sky. The first balloon was launched from Zatara checkpoint, while the second was launched to the east of Salfit, noting that both balloons were equipped with
cameras. Foot patrols by Israeli soldiers and officers were seen in the mountains of Salfit in the evening. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three customs policemen from the Palestinian Authority (PA) as they were working on thwarting a smuggling attempt in Salfit Governorate. Three of the Palestinian patrol officers were arrested and taken to the illegal settlement of Ariel despite the presence of prior coordination with the Israeli side on allowing customs policing in the area. The officers were on a routine patrolling mission when they stopped an Israeli truck laden with a cargo of contraband on a road near Salfit city before the driver suddenly tried to make a run for it, ramming his vehicle into the patrol car and injuring one of them. Soon after that, Israeli policemen aboard a patrol car came to the area, arrested the customs officers and took them to Ariel settlement. (PALINFO 29 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Salfit city, as well as the nearby villages of Kifl Haris, Haris, and Yasuf, in order to carry out training activities. No detentions were reported. (Maannews 30 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed different areas of Salfit Governorate, including the villages of Kifl Hares, Hares and Yasuf. No arrests have been reported. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

- Israeli settlers bulldozed Palestinian lands in Bruqin village west of Salfit, to expand the Ariel industrial zone. Israeli bulldozers leveled Palestinian cultivated lands and ranches covering 20 dunums in Khilet al-Zaafaran, in Bruqin with the attempt to build more factories in the Ariel industrial zone. (PALINFO 31 March 2017)

**Tulkarem**

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided and ransacked a print shop in the northern occupied West Bank city of Tulkarem early morning and confiscated equipment for unknown reasons. Owner of the Ibn Khaldoun Company for Printing, Publishing, and Trade, Abd al-Rahim Badawi, stated that Israeli soldiers destroyed the exterior doors of the shop when they broke in, before destroying the interior and confiscating equipment, causing him huge financial losses. No detentions were reported as a result of the raids. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Tulkarem’s northern village of Bal’aa, in the northern West Bank, and cracked down on Palestinian civilians. A series of makeshift checkpoints was randomly
pitched across the area. The IOA broke into the home of the wanted Palestinian Mahdi Mer’i and kidnapped his father and brothers as a means to force Mer’i to turn himself in. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians from Tulkarem city after raiding their houses. The arrestees were identified as Mahmoud Hussein Mahmoud Abu Hamra, 20, from Thinnaba village and Mathna Fuad Abdel Raheem, 23, from Izbat Al Jarad east of Tulkarem and Issa Omar Mustafa Odeh, 24, from Tulkarem city. (WAFA 9 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Hamza Mahmoud Jarrar, a resident of the northern Tulkarem Governorate. (Maannews 12 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation authorities issued military orders to confiscate Palestinian lands in al-Sharawiya area, north of Tulkarem, and in the towns of Baqa al-Gharbiyye and Jit located in the northern Triangle area of occupied Palestine. Palestinian citizens found the confiscation notices near the gate of the Segregation Wall near Nazlat ’Isa village. The notices provided for seizing 142.2 dunums of Palestinian lands, pointing out that the owners of these lands were given a seven-day time limit to object to these orders at the so-called Coordination and Liaison Office (Ephraim) or the Office of the Israeli Attorney General. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) cracked down on Palestinian drivers passing through Enav checkpoint, east of Tulkarem Governorate, in the northern West Bank. Israeli soldiers deployed at Enav checkpoint stopped Palestinian drivers and threatened to subject them to harsh penalties in case they give a lift to anti-occupation activists. The Israeli soldiers further kept note of the drivers’ names and car registration plates. At the same time, Israeli army troops stormed Tulkarem Governorate at the crack of dawn and cordoned off the main access roads to Tulkarem refugee camp. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

- Palestinian citizen Muthana al-Sadala was kidnapped by the Israeli soldiers from his home in Anabta village, east of Tulkarem. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli soldiers stormed Attil village, in Tulkarem, in a number of army vehicles and kidnapped the youngster Youssef al-Shalabi before they wreaked havoc on his family home and attacked his relatives. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided An Nahda print shop in Tulkarem city owned by Muhammed Abu Saleh, destroyed equipment
while conducting an intensive search inside the shop. The IOA also confiscated PC hard drives, machines, Cheques, Abu Saleh’s cellphone and ID. (WAFA 23 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed the Attara military checkpoint north of Ramallah city in the central occupied West Bank, firing stun grenades and tear-gas bombs at Palestinian vehicles to deter people from the checkpoint. The sudden closure of the checkpoint, which connects the central and northern occupied West Bank, caused a major traffic jam in the area. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained four Palestinians in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Tulkarem, identifying them as Raafat Jamil Nassif, 50, Alaa Khalid Ismail, 23, Ahmad Yousif Abu Harb, 34, and Hamza Yahya, 24. (Maannews 28 March 2017)

• A flock of Israeli patrols was spotted on the access road between Tulkarem Governorate and Enav checkpoint, where ambushes and checkpoints were arbitrarily set up. The campaign culminated in the abduction of 29-year-old Munadel Mujadba from northern Tulkarem. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

Nablus

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian young man after clashes erupted in Nablus’s northern town of Sebastiya, in the northern West Bank. The clashes broke out when the IOA violently stormed the town amid heavy firing of teargas bombs and live ammunition and removed a Palestinian flagpole. (PALINFO 1 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained the 23-year-old Anas Jamil Ishtayya in the northern Nablus Governorate. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

• A group of Israeli settlers attacked Palestinian citizens at the entrance of Huwara town in Nablus Governorate and hurled stones at their vehicles. Israeli settlers assaulted Palestinian citizens and stoned their vehicles near the crossroad of the so-called Yitzhar settlement, which was built by force on Palestinian lands south of Nablus. Israeli settlers were reported throwing stones at two vehicles and smashing their windshields under the very eyes of Israeli soldiers. Vehicles had to stop inside Huwara after Israeli settlers gathered at the northern entrance of the town. (PALINFO 1 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed the Huwwara checkpoint south of Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank until further
notice. The IOA closed the checkpoint, which is located on the main road leading to Nablus, for “security reasons.” Palestinians were forced to take an alternative route to and from Nablus through the nearby Awarta checkpoint. (Maannews 1 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) rounded up young men at dawn raids on homes in Beita and Awarta town, southeast of Nablus Governorate. In Awarta village, five citizens were kidnapped from their homes and taken to Huwara military base before being released later. In Beita village where a school teacher called Mohamed Mu’alla was taken prisoner following a raid on his home. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Far’a refugee camp, northeast of Nablus, clashed with local residents and kidnapped a young man. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)

- Violent clashes broke out in Nablus city after Israeli soldiers and employees from the antiquities authority stormed archaeological areas. Israeli soldiers were deployed in Tal Balata area, the eastern area of the city and al-Shuhada junction. Soldiers clashed with local young men and violently attacked them with volleys of tear gas and stun grenades in the areas of Ras al-Ein and al-Basha in the Old City of Nablus. A young man from al-Zarba family was arrested near the Western Cemetery. (PALINFO 4 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Qaryut town, south of Nablus, and threatened residents in the western neighborhood of taking punitive measures against them if they did not remove Palestinian flags from street light poles. (PALINFO 4 March 2017)

- More than 50 Israeli settlers from Yetzhar settlement attacked Huwwara village via its southern entrance. As a result, clashes erupted between settlers and Palestinian villages. (WAFA 4 March 2017)

- Violent clashes flared up in Sebastiya village, in northern Nablus, shortly after the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) rolled into the area and lowered the Palestinian flag. The IOA stormed Nablus and lowered a Palestinian flag raised on a flagpole set up in Sebastiya’s archaeological zone before they attacked the Palestinian protesters with heavy spates of teargas canisters and rubber bullets. (PALINFO 5 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained two Palestinians in the northern occupied West Bank for allegedly being in possession of a knife. Israeli border police stopped the two Palestinians on a road near the Nablus-area village of Zaatara, searched them and detained them
after allegedly finding a knife in their possession. (Maannews 5 March 2017)

- A flock of Israeli military patrols, escorted by a police jeep, stormed Nablus’s eastern towns of Rujeib and Awarta and rummaged into civilian homes. A Palestinian vehicle was seized from Rujaib in the process. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) seized “weapons manufacturing machines” at a metals workshop during a raid into the village of Jamain south of Nablus in the northern West Bank. The workshop’s owner Mansour Majid Gheith stated that the IOA stormed Jamain and broke into his workshop after breaking open the main door. The IOA destroyed the contents of his workshop, before they notified him that it had been shut down by military order. The Israeli raid was carried out without any prior notice, and the workshop was worth hundreds of thousands of Israeli shekels. (Maannews 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation Army jeeps and troop-carriers rolled into the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus at 2 a.m. and wreaked havoc on civilian homes in Balata al-Balad, to the east, before they kidnapped Thaer Issawi, 24, and Youssef Dweikat, 20. A Palestinian youth was rushed to a hospital so as to be urgently treated for rubber bullet injuries sustained in his leg during clashes that burst out in Nablus between the occupation army and the anti-occupation youth. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- A large number of Israeli troops stormed at dawn Awarta town south of Nablus in the occupied West Bank and embarked on collecting personal information from citizens. The soldiers aboard military vehicles entered several neighborhoods in the town and interviewed citizens in their houses and on streets about personal information. (PALINFO 11 March 2017)

- Several Israeli soldiers were deployed at dawn in the eastern neighborhood of Huwara town, south of Nablus, to monitor and ambush young men accused of throwing stones at settlers’ cars traveling nearby. (PALINFO 11 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 27-year-old Ali Muhammad Saada in the northern occupied West Bank Governorate of Nablus. (Maannews 12 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped a Palestinian youth from Nablus’s southeastern town of Huwwara. The IOA stormed the village at the crack of dawn and kidnapped Ali Mohamed Saada from his home. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)
• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into the nearby Awarta village, southeast of Nablus, and wreaked havoc on civilian homes. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

• Israeli settlers uprooted and stole 150 olive trees from Palestinian land in Nablus’s southern village of al-Sawiya. The farmers were shocked as they caught sight of the uprooted olive trees, planted over a decade ago in their land. The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) have been preventing the owners of the targeted land lots, located near the border fence of Rechalim illegal settlement, from reaching their lands. Only those who obtain a permit from the IOA are allowed access into their tracts. The uprooted trees were planted on land lots owned by Palestinian citizens, namely Haythem Kafana and Suheil Suleiman, among others. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian young man, from Beit Furik village east of Nablus, while picking some wild fruits in the Jordan Valley. The young man was detained for few hours before being released. (PALINFO 13 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) violently stormed Awarta village southeast of Nablus, and broke into a number of local houses. (PALINFO 13 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Asim Mustafa al-Shunnar in the Nablus Governorate. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) confiscated a caravan in Furush Beit Dajan village to the east of Nablus city. An Israeli army force suddenly raided the village and confiscated the caravan which is inhabited by a Palestinian family of ten members leaving them out in the open. The IO soldiers evicted the residents from the caravan, which is owned by Tawfiq Haj Mohammed, before seizing it and loading it on a truck. The IOA soldiers also confiscated a vegetable stall that belongs to Fuad Hamed after throwing its contents in a waste container. (PALINFO 14 March 2017)

• Two Palestinians were detained in the village of Tell southwest of Nablus, identified as Yasser Bilal Yamin, a student at the al-Najah University, and Musab al-Hindi. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

• Dozens of armed Jewish settlers attacked the high school in Burin village, south of Nablus city in the occupied West Bank. The settlers opened fire at the Burin high school, causing extreme panic among its students. The Israeli soldiers entered the village and backed up the settlers as local residents rushed to the school to protect its students and employees. Palestinian young men clashed with the settlers and soldiers. (PALINFO 16 March 2017)
• A number of Palestinian youths were injured when Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) broke into Sabatia village, north of Nablus to take off the Palestinian flag pole in the village. The clashes erupted when a number of Israeli military jeeps stormed the town amid heavy firing of teargas bombs. A young man suffered rubber bullet injuries during the clashes while more than ten others suffered breathing problems after inhaling teargas including a whole family. (WAFA, PALINFO 17 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained Saeb Alawna as he passed through a makeshift checkpoint set up on the access road to Nablus. (Maannews 19 March 2017)

• A flock of Israeli military jeeps rolled into Nablus’s eastern towns of Beit Furik and Beit Dajan at the crack of dawn and raked through residential neighborhoods for over one hour before they retreated to the Beit Furik checkpoint. (PALINFO 19 March 2017)

• Israeli settlers have been spotted in makeshift tents pitched in Beit Dajan’s eastern corners. (PALINFO 19 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Beita and Awarta villages, south of Nablus, and showered the area with acoustic grenades, sparking clashes with Palestinian protesters. (PALINFO 19 March 2017)

• A Palestinian elderly woman suffered serious injuries when an Israeli military jeep ran over her on a road near al-Lubban ash-Sharqiya village, south of Nablus city in the occupied West Bank. The 70-year-old Hilweh Abu Ras was seriously injured when a speeding military jeep rammed into her as she was walking back from her agricultural land near the village. (PALINFO 21 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested a Palestinian young man at a military checkpoint erected west of Nablus to the north of West Bank. The IOA erected a make-shift checkpoint near Beit Wazan village, west of Nablus city, where several Palestinian vehicles were stopped and searched. A Palestinian young man was arrested at the checkpoint after IOA stopped and searched his car. The detainee was then taken to an unknown detention center. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)

• Israeli settlers attacked three Palestinian shepherds in Nablus’s northwestern town of Burqa, in the northern West Bank. The Palestinian young man Ahmad Ragheb Salah was attacked, along with his brother and cousin, by Israeli settlers while they were grazing their sheep in Burqa’s western ranches. The settler horde targeted Salah, his brother, and cousin with gunfire, forcing them to flee the scene for fear of being killed in the attack. The settlers stole the sheep and a bag
containing the identity documents of Salah’s brother. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)

- A group of Israeli settlers brutally attacked a number of Palestinian farmers in Burin town, south of Nablus, injuring one of them. Israeli settlers from Yitzhar settlement, illegally built south of Nablus, attacked the farmers and prevented them from entering their fields. Israeli occupation forces were stationed near the area and refused to intervene or to prevent the settlers’ attack, the local activist Bilal Aid said. One of the farmers suffered a foot injury, while the others were forced to leave the area. A Palestinian farmer identified as Musheer Qadus was injured in his leg. (WAFA 22 March 2017)

- Israeli Settlers renewed their incursion to Al Aqsa Mosque via Bab Al Magharba gate (Al Mughrabi gate) and carried out provocative tours. (WAFA 22 March 2017)

- Palestinian citizen Bashar Mleitat, from Nablus’s eastern village of Beit Furik, sustained wounds after he had been heavily beaten by the Israeli soldiers. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- A Palestinian youth—Baraa Abu Nawas—was kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) IOF from Qatr al-Nada residential apartment in Nablus’s western neighborhood of al-Ma’ajin. Abu Nawas was later dragged to an anonymous location in an armored military truck. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) rolled into al-Haouz mountainous area, in Beit Furik village, and forced the Palestinian farmers out of their lands, sparking violent clashes with dozens of Palestinian anti-occupation youths. The occupation soldiers attacked Palestinian homes and protesters with randomly-shot spates of teargas canisters and acoustic bombs, resulting in several suffocation cases. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- Violent clashes burst out in Beit Furik, east of Nablus province, shortly after the Israeli occupation forces (IOF) stormed the town. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) deployed troops and dozens of heavy military vehicles and equipment in the vicinity of Aqraba village, southeast of Nablus, and the nearby southern area of Attaira. Dozens of military tracked vehicles and artillery equipment in Attaira area, and many mobile homes were also brought to the area. The military deployments in areas near Aqraba village could be a prelude to conducting military drills. (PALINFO 23 March 2017)

- A group of Israeli settlers razed Palestinian-owned lands in Qaryut village, south of Nablus. Israeli settlers stormed the village along with
a number of bulldozers and carried out excavations near the main road linking between Nablus and Ramallah. (PALINFO 24 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed at dawn Iraq Burin village, south of Nablus, and were deployed in its eastern neighborhoods. The IOA broke into the village amid reports of gunshots firing and set up a number of make-shift checkpoints. The sources pointed out that the IOF stormed the area twice in less than 24 hours. (PALINFO 27 March 2017)

• Eight Israeli Occupation army (IOA) patrols stormed Tel village, to the west of Nablus city, and cordoned off the home of the Palestinian citizen Assaad Rayhan, before they kidnapped his 25-year-old daughter, Soujoud. The IOA showered the village with over 20 teargas canisters, resulting in suffocation cases. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

• The 22-year-old ex-prisoner Dirar Qubala was kidnapped by the Israeli Occupation Army from his own family home in Iba town, west of Nablus, at the crack of dawn. (PALINFO 28 March 2017)

• An Israeli army unit broke into Burin secondary school, south of Nablus in the north of the West Bank, to arrest a student and ended up terrorizing the students. Heavily armed soldiers broke into the school during the fourth period, when the students were in their classrooms, claiming they were after a student who had thrown rocks at them. (WAFA 29 March 2017)

• 45 Palestinians were injured during clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Madama village south of Nablus city, while 17 others suffered gas inhalation commemorating the 41th anniversary of “Land Day”. (WAFA 30 March 2017)

• In al-Far’a Refugee Camp, to the northeast of Nablus, a Palestinian youth sustained wounds following clashes with the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA). Youngster Mohamed Nassar was kidnapped by the Israeli soldiers in the process. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed Sebastiya town, to the northwest of Nablus, along with Beit Furik and Beit Dajan, to the east. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

• A group of Israeli settlers, escorted by army troops, broke into Sebastiya’s archaeological zone and destroyed a Palestinian flagpole. Violent clashes burst out shortly afterwards. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

• In Nablus, the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) kidnapped three Palestinian young men in different areas, including one identified as Hudaifa Khater from Aqraba town. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)
• Two other young men were reportedly kidnapped from their homes during an Israeli Army campaign in the village of Osrin in Nablus Governorate. (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

• Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Sebastya village north of Nablus city when the latter raided the village amid fire shooting. Tens of Palestinians suffered Gas inhalation as the IOA fire tear gas bombs at a wedding hall in the village. (WAFA 31 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Authorities decided to take over 977 dunums of lands of Qaryut, As Sawiya, Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya and Sinjil villages south of Nablus city transform it into State Property. (WAFA, INN 31 March 2017)

Gaza

• Israeli military vehicles at daybreak infiltrated northern and southern Gaza Strip. A flock of Israeli army vehicles moved 50 meters into northern Beit Hanun town, north of Gaza Strip, and leveled Palestinian lands, sparking panic in the area. (PALINFO 1 March 2017)

• Israeli military vehicles moved 100 meters into eastern Rafah city, south of Gaza Strip, and razed Palestinian cultivated lands. the incursion was carried out via four army jeeps deployed at the Sofa military base, east of Rafah. (PALINFO 1 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened fire at Palestinian lands and homes in the northern Gaza Strip while Israeli military vehicles entered the besieged territory in central Gaza. The IOA stationed at the borders of Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip opened fire at Palestinian land and homes. No injuries were reported during the incident. (Maannews 2 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened machinegun fire at Palestinian homes north of Beit Lahia town, north of the embattled Gaza Strip. Israeli soldiers stationed along the northern border of Beit Lahia opened machinegun fire from their heavy military vehicles and watchtowers at Palestinian homes and lands. Luckily, no one was injured in the gunfire attack. Several homes only sustained material damage. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)

• Israeli military bulldozers carried out a limited incursion into an eastern border area in Khan Younis, south of the Gaza Strip. Four armored bulldozers and three Israeli Merkava tanks came from the Kissufim military base and combed the border area before infiltrating dozens of meters into the eastern areas of the city. The military vehicles
were advancing into the Palestinian territory amid heavy presence of Israeli snipers to provide protection for the military bulldozers. (PALINFO 2 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured two Palestinian youths after clashes erupted in the northern Gaza Strip. The Palestinian was injured by Israeli bullets near the border fence in Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip during clashes between Palestinian youths and the IOA. The Palestinian was injured in the foot, and was transferred to the Indonesian hospital for treatment. Meanwhile, another Palestinian was injured in his stomach by an Israeli bullet. His wounds were described as serious by medical crews at the Indonesian hospital. Both Palestinians were shot by an Israeli sniper stationed at the border between Gaza and Israel for an unknown reason. (Maannews 3 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shot and injured a Palestinian man in northern Gaza Strip. The young man was slightly injured after being targeted by Israeli gunfire along with a group of people east of Jabalia refugee camp to the north of the Strip. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army (IOA) withdrew its armored vehicles and bulldozers following a small-scale incursion into eastern border areas of the embattled Gaza Strip. Four bulldozers escorted by two Merkava tanks and two troop carriers had moved from Abu Safia military post east of al-Maghazi refugee camp and advanced several meters into Gaza. The bulldozers, then, embarked on leveling lands east of al-Masdar village and al-Maghazi camp before withdrawing later to one
of the border military post near al-Bureij refugee camp. The army had started its bulldozing activities in the morning on the western side of Abu Safia military base. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian farmers along Gaza borders and fishermen sailing within the Palestinian territorial waters with gunfire. The IOA stationed along the borders with eastern Rafah city, in southern Gaza Strip, opened heavy machine gunfire toward farmers and prevented them access to their borderline agricultural land. However, no injuries or material damage were reported. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- Israeli naval forces targeted Palestinian fishermen with gunfire, despite sailing within the 6-nautical-mile allowed fishing zone, off northern Gaza City. No injuries were reported among the farmers who reportedly returned ashore for fear of being injured. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation army (IOA) shelled at least three at sites in the southern besieged coastal enclave, including eastern al-Qarara, eastern Khan Yunis and Deir al-Balah. No injuries were reported. The IOA also fired flares in the area around the same time as the shelling. (Maannews 10 March 2017)

- A Palestinian was shot and injured in the east of Gaza city after the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) opened live fire on Palestinian youth near the security barrier between the besieged Gaza Strip and Israel. The IOA stationed at the Nahel Oz military post east of the neighborhood of Shujaiyya opened live ammunition on a group of Palestinian youths who had approached the border area, causing the injury of a Palestinian youth in his foot. (Maannews 10 March 2017)

- Israeli navy gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishermen off Gaza’s northern shores. Israeli gunboats opened their machinegun fire at a number of Palestinian fishing boats off the shores of Gaza. The fishermen were forced to return ashore. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)

- Israeli military troops deployed at and around the Kissufim military base, east of Khan Younis, hit Palestinian farmlands in al-Qarara and Deir al-Balah with artillery shells. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)

- An Israeli court extended the detention period of an employee of Turkish aid agency TIKA until Thursday. An Israeli court in Beersheba city extended the remand of TIKA staff member Mohamed Murtaja following the demand of an Israeli prosecutor to keep Murtaja under custody. The Israeli court also imposed a gag order against publishing news on the case until March 14. Murtaja who had worked for TIKA in the Gaza Strip, had reportedly been on his way to Turkey when he was
detained on February 12 at the Beit Hanun (Erez) border-crossing, north of Gaza Strip. (PALINFO 12 March 2017)

- Several Israeli military vehicles and bulldozers crossed the border fence into the besieged Gaza Strip and leveled lands, witnesses told Ma’an, with no gunfire being reported. The bulldozers leveled lands in the central Gaza Strip town of Juhr al-Dik under military protection as Israeli military drones hovered overhead. (Maannews 15 March 2017)

- Four Israeli bulldozers, three tanks, an armored vehicle, and four jeeps moved 100 meters into eastern al-Bureij refugee camp and bulldozed Palestinian lands before they moved northwards towards Juhr al-Dick town. Several Israeli military jeeps have raked through Palestinian lands near the border fence since the early morning hours, paving the way for the incursion. (PALINFO 15 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) conducted two airstrikes in the besieged Gaza Strip damaging the coastal enclave’s already tenuous electricity infrastructure. The two Israeli missiles hit a site west of Deir al-Balah in the central Gaza Strip, sparking a fire. Two more missiles landed east of the Shujaaiya neighborhood of Gaza City, cutting off the electricity supply in the area. No injuries were reported in either airstrike. Three power lines were damaged by the airstrikes across the blockaded Palestinian territory. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishermen off the coast of Gaza City who were sailing within the Israel-designated fishing zone, forcing them to head back to shore. No injuries were reported. (Maannews 16 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained a Palestinian youth after he crossed the border fence from the besieged Gaza Strip into Israel. The Palestinian youth was able to cross the border fence and make his way into the southern Israeli town of Eshkol. (Maannews 17 March 2017)

- Israeli naval forces opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats off the coast of the northern Gaza Strip. The Israeli boats fired live fire at Palestinian fishermen sailing off the coast of Beit Lahiya in the northwestern Gaza Strip. No injuries or damages were reported. (Maannews 18 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) fired three artillery shells near the town of Beit Lahya in the northern Gaza Strip. The Israeli artillery targeted the al-Ghoul area in western Beit Lahiya. (Maannews 18 March 2017)

- Israeli warplanes carried out strikes on a resistance site in al-Meqousi area northwest of Gaza city. Israeli warplanes fired at least two
missiles on al-Yarmouk site. No injuries were reported. (PALINFO 18 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation army launched an artillery attack on cultivated fields located north of the Gaza Strip. The Israeli artillery fired several shells at an agricultural border area north of Gaza. No injuries were reported. (PALINFO 18 March 2017)

- Four Israeli bulldozers, D9 type, advanced a limited distance into the northern area of Beit Hanoun in northern Gaza Strip and started leveling land. The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) opened gunfire at Palestinians’ agricultural lands east of Rafah city in the southern Gaza Strip resulting in no casualties or damages. (PALINFO 19 March 2017)

- The Israeli occupation navy attacked Palestinian fishermen sailing off Gaza seashore with machineguns. The Israeli navy warships targeted Palestinian fishermen sailing off al-Sudaniya shore, northwest of Gaza city, with machineguns and water cannons. The fishermen were reportedly sailing within the authorized four-nautical-mile zone. Palestinian fishing boats, sustained material damage in the attack. (PALINFO 20 March 2017)

- An 18-year-old Palestinian was killed and two other Palestinians were injured by Israeli shelling in eastern Rafah city in the southern Gaza Strip before dawn. Israeli drones were also flying overhead as the sound of gunshots and explosions were heard. Youssef Shaaban Abu Athra, 18, was killed while two others sustained multiple injuries from shrapnel as a result of the artillery fire. (Maannews 22 March 2017)

- A flock of Israeli military vehicles launched a limited incursion into eastern Khan Younis city, south of the blockaded Gaza Strip. Four Israeli military bulldozers deployed at the Kissufim base moved into the eastern edges of Khan Younis city and leveled Palestinian lands in the area. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)

- A barrages of gunshots were fired from Israeli military watchtowers toward al-Qarara, east of Khan Younis. No injuries were reported in the attack. (PALINFO 22 March 2017)

- Six Palestinians were detained for working at a construction site in the central town of Hod HaSharon. Two of the detained were a father and his 17-year-old son from the besieged Gaza Strip. (Maannews 22 March 2017)

- Israeli naval forces detained two Palestinian fishermen off the coast of the besieged Gaza Strip. The Naval forces detained Khader al-Saadi and Rajab Abu Mayala, both residents of the al-Shati refugee camp, while they were sailing three nautical miles from the shore of Gaza
City. The forces also confiscated the fishermen’s boats and equipment. (Maannews 23 March 2017)

- Two Palestinian fishermen who were detained by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) were injured and were subsequently being treated in Israeli hospitals. The detained fishermen, identified as Rajab Abu Mayala and Khader al-Saadi, were injured during their detentions. The IOA detained al-Saadi and Abu Mayala, both residents of the al-Shati refugee camp, while they were sailing three nautical miles from the shore of Gaza City. The IOA confiscated the fishermen’s boats and equipment at the time. (Maannews 24 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) and navy’s gunboats opened fire at unarmed Palestinian fishing boats off the coast of the southern Gaza Strip city of Khan Yunis. (Maannews 26 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation troops opened fire at Palestinian agricultural lands east of al-Qarara in Khan Yunis. (Maannews 26 March 2017)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided Joret al-Shama and Marah Mealla villages, south of Bethlehem. The IOA soldiers fired stun grenades at civilians in both towns with no arrests or injuries reported. (PALINFO 26 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained three Palestinians from the Nablus district in the northern West Bank, and identified the three as Huthaifa Khater, Khalid Rasmi Edeili, 18, and 17-year-old Amid Ibrahim Edeili. (Maannews 30 March 2017)

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) prevented Palestinian farmers from accessing their lands in Urif village, south of Nablus city in the northern West Bank. A group of Israeli soldiers blocked farmers from reaching their agricultural lands located within Area B close to Yitzhar settlement that was established by force over the town’s land. The IOA troops threatened Palestinian farmers and warned them of dire consequences if they ever attempted to reach their lands again. (PALINFO 31 March 2017)

- The security cabinet unanimously approved establishing a new settlement to house settlers evacuated from the illegal outpost of Amona. This is the first time in over 20 years that Israel has established a new West Bank settlement. The Prime Minister’s Office said in a statement that following the vote in the security cabinet, a telephone poll of all ministers who aren’t part of that body will be conducted to give the decision final approval. The decision to establish the new settlement, which will be located near the existing settlement of Shiloh, stems from a promise Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu made to Amona residents several months ago. Though the Trump
administration objects to establishing any new settlements, Netanyahu told the White House in advance that he intended to keep his promise, saying that politically speaking, it was impossible for him to renege on it. At the security cabinet meeting, Netanyahu told the ministers that final approval has also been granted to market enough land for the construction of 2,000 homes in existing settlements. The Prime Minister’s Office said these were the same homes whose planned construction Israel had announced two months ago, but the marketing of the land had been held up by technical problems at the Housing Ministry. Netanyahu also told the ministers that some 900 dunams of land near the settlement of Eli, including the outposts of Adei Ad and Givat Haro’eh, have been declared state land. This declaration will enable housing to be built on this land in the future. Both approval of the new settlement and Netanyahu’s announcement of the other measures appear to be an effort to lay the groundwork for an impending decision to significantly restrain settlement construction in response to pressure from the Trump Administration. For more information, (YNENTNEWS, Haaretz, INN 31 March 2017)

Others

- Israeli Occupation Authority (IOA) approved an order confirming administrative detention for three months, which can be renewed indefinitely, against Mohammed al-Qiq, who has been on hunger strike for 23 consecutive days in protest at his detention. The wife of captive Qiq, Fayha Shalash, said the order which was approved by the judge of Ofer military court followed a secret session held by the court’s judge and the Israeli military prosecutor who discussed the so called “The Secret File” which is usually submitted to court by Israeli intelligence. (PALINFO 1 March 2017)

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities (IOA) prevented the Adhan (call for prayer) for 44 times in the Ibrahimi Mosque during February. The Palestinian Endowment Ministry affirmed that the Adhan was prevented for 44 times over the past month under the pretext of annoying Israeli settlers. Israeli occupation forces, meanwhile, continue to erect military checkpoints throughout the city with the aim of harassing Palestinian worshipers trying to reach the Mosque where more than 95 Israeli attacks were carried out during February against Palestinian worshipers. (PALINFO 1 March 2017)

- Israeli lawmakers on Wednesday will discuss two different versions of the controversial mosque loudspeaker bill, also known as the muezzin bill, which aims to reduce the noise levels of the mosque loudspeakers
used to call worshippers to prayer. One version of the bill is sponsored by MK Moti Yogev (Habayit Hayehudi) and MK David Bitan (Likud). The other version is sponsored by MK Robert Ilatov (Yisrael Beytenu). The coalition has elected to back Yogev and Bitan’s more moderate version of the bill, which has the support of the ultra-Orthodox parties. The bill would prohibit the use of mosque loudspeakers between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m., and would impose a 10,000 shekel ($2,700) fine on violators. The second bill, backed by the Yisrael Beytenu party, would prohibit any use of mosque loudspeakers. Yogev and Bitan softened their bill following anger from the Shas and United Torah Judaism parties and an appeal from Health Minister Yaakov Litzman (United Torah Judaism), all raising concerns that the bill could also affect the sirens used in some cities to indicate the onset of Shabbat. (IsraelHayom 1 March 2017)

- The house in which MK Bezalel Smotrich (Habayit Hayehudi) lives in the West Bank settlement of Kedumim was built illegally and might be on private Palestinian land, Haaretz has learned. Smotrich spearheaded legislation to legalize settlement homes built illegally on private Palestinian land. Smotrich, who is also deputy speaker of Israel’s Knesset, lives on Ish Yeminkha Street, in the Rashi Hill section of the veteran northern West Bank settlement, which is lined with pretty one-story stone houses. Haaretz has learned that a number of houses on this street, including Smotrich’s, were built illegally, outside the declared state lands and in breach of the settlement’s master plan. In 2012, Civil Administration personnel mapped the area. The purpose of the mapping project was to precisely pinpoint state lands as opposed to privately owned land, so the state could realize its rights on the lands it owns, while the private lands would remain in private hands. Was MK Bezalel Smotrich’s house in the West Bank settlement of Kedumim built on private Palestinian land? Olivier Fitouss. In their work at Kedumim, the team mapped a prominent enclave in the heart of the settlement on land that had not been declared state land. This is where Smotrich’s house is. Historically, in the West Bank, people purchased rights to land by cultivating it. Aerial photographs in the 1970s, the 1990s and the early 2000s show that as opposed to non-arable, rocky land that was declared state land, the land on which the buildings in question were built was cultivated. Aerial photos show trees in the area until 2002. In 2004, construction seems to have started there. For more information, (Haaretz 2 March 2017)

- The explosive proposal to annex Ma’aleh Adumim, a West Bank settlement east of Jerusalem, is expected to be submitted to the Ministerial Legislation Committee on Sunday, after numerous delays.
The controversial bill’s sponsor, MK Yoav Kish (Likud), asked to submit it to the vote several weeks ago, but Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu refused, reluctant to surprise the new U.S. President Donald Trump just before their first meeting. Now Kish intends to force the ministers to discuss the proposal, in a bid to bring it to the Knesset vote in the next few weeks. The bill calls for applying Israeli law to Ma’aleh Adumim, and, as a result, to annex it to the disputed E1 area, which has been added to the town’s municipal area in the past. "It’s possible that as part of a compromise we’ll agree to pass the bill without [the] E1 [clause],” Kish told Haaretz. "I don’t want someone to say he won’t join the process because [it means Israeli] sovereignty will apply to E1.” The area in question is 12 square kilometers northwest of Ma’aleh Adumim. The international community, especially the American administrations, have objected to its annexation as it will cut the north of the West Bank’ from its south and make it impossible to establish a Palestinian state on the area. Consequently, all the construction plans for this area have been delayed for diplomatic and political reasons since 2005. Ma’aleh Adumim mayor Benny Kashriel launched a campaign intended Wednesday to pressure the ministers to support the legislation to annex the town. Kashriel and youths have given out the telephone numbers of members of the key legislative committee to passersby, urging them to text the ministers and ask them to "vote for sovereignty in Ma’aleh Adumim." "There’s no such thing as the right timing and I expect the prime minister and ministers to approve the proposal on Sunday," Kashriel said. (Haaretz 2 March 2017)

- After delaying a bill at the Knesset calling for annexing the West Bank illegal settlement of Ma’ale Adumim to Occupied Jerusalem until the new US administration assumes office, right-wing Israeli lawmakers intend on Sunday to table it again. According to Haaretz newspaper, the Ma’ale Adumim annexation bill will be introduced at the Knesset’s ministerial committee for legislation on Sunday by members of the Knesset Yoav Kish (Likud) and Bezalel Smotrich (Jewish Home). Israel’s education minister Naftali Bennett (Jewish home) is a keen advocate of the bill. Recently, Bennett asserted that the arrival of Trump’s administration would see a shift in Israel’s West Bank settlement activities, including the annexation of Ma’ale Adumim, a massive settlement with some 40,000 Jewish residents. Introducers and sponsors of the bill intend for the legislation to not only annex Ma’ale Adumim under Israel’s sovereignty, but also the surrounding E1 area (occupied in the 1967 war), where Israel has launched a vicious
demolition campaign against Bedouin Palestinian communities over the past year. (Haaretz, PALINFO 3 March 2017)

• A new Israeli poll revealed that an overwhelming majority of the Israelis support launching a new war on Gaza. The survey said that 43% of the participants believe that “a military intervention would succeed to prevent future attacks on Israel.” At the same time, however, only 29% of the public supports a political solution to the conflict. 42% of Israeli respondents say they think the Israeli recent military response to Gaza rockets fire is "not enough,” while 39% support it. About 9% say it is "powerful.” Meanwhile, 53% expressed dissatisfaction with the Israeli Army Minister Avigdor Lieberman’s performance. Over the past decade, Gaza Strip has witnessed three bloody aggressions which left thousands of victims including women and children. (PALINFO 4 March 2017)

• Israeli courts fined Palestinian minors imprisoned in the Ofer detention center a total of 57,000 shekels ($15,420) in February alone, adding that at least 49 had been detained in February. At least 49 Palestinian minors who were imprisoned in February and taken to Ofer, 27 of them were detained during home raids, nine in the streets, five after being summoned for interrogation, four at checkpoints, and four in Israel for not having permits. The sentences issued against 25 minors during the month ranged between one and 24 months in prison, with at least one teen -- 15 year-old Ahmad Hanatsha -- being sentenced to administrative detention without trial or charges. (Maannews 5 March 2017)

• The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) detained 420 Palestinians during the month of February, including 70 minors and 22 women and girls, according to a statement released by the Palestinian Prisoners’ Center for Studies. 12 of the detentions were carried out in the besieged Gaza Strip, including five fishermen whose boats were destroyed by Israeli forces before their detention, two who were detained at the Beit Hanoun crossing, and five who were detained after Israel alleged they attempted to cross the border fence between the besieged enclave and Israel. A journalist was also among the detainees, identified by the center as Humam Muhammad Hantash from the southern occupied West Bank Governorate of Hebron. He was sentenced to Israel’s widely condemned policy of administrative detention -- imprisonment without charge or trial based on undisclosed evidence. The center added that 88 administrative detention orders were issued by Israeli courts in the same period, 23 of which were issued for the first time, while 65 were renewed orders. Meanwhile, 32 administrative detention
orders were issued against Palestinians from Hebron. (Maannews 5 March 2017)

- As the world marks on March 8 International Women’s Day, 56 Palestinian women, 12 of them minors under 18 years of age, are currently held in Israeli jails, Palestinian Prisoners Society (PPS) said on Monday. The PPS pointed out that two female prisoners are serving time in administrative detention according to which they are held without charge or trial. Lena Jarbouni, who is the longest serving Palestinian female prisoner in Israeli jails, was arrested in 2002 and is serving a 17-year sentence. The 56 female prisoners are currently held in HaSharon and Damon prisons suffering harsh treatment and bad incarceration conditions by which they are treated inhumanely and denied access to the most basic rights including heating, winter clothing, medical treatment, and family visits, the PPS noted. (PALINFO 7 March 2017)

- Israeli Haaretz newspaper disclosed that Israeli transportation and intelligence Minister Yisrael Katz announced that he is working to advance plans to build an artificial island off the coast of Gaza. Katz has been trying for a year and a half to table the plan called "the separation island". He previously expressed his support for the prospect of a seaport in Gaza as part of efforts to completely cut off the Gaza Strip from Israel. In his call for a port in the coastal Palestinian territory, Katz proposed that the international community should oversee access to such a terminal under Israeli security control. Katz’s plan stipulates the establishment of an artificial island over 8-kilometer area connected to the Gaza Strip through a bridge with a security checkpoint. "The off-shore project could provide Gaza with an economic and humanitarian gateway to the world without endangering Israeli security," he said. According to Haaretz newspaper, senior Israeli officials support the plan, while it is rejected, however, by Israeli war minister Avigdor Lieberman. (PALINFO March 2017)

- The Knesset gave its final approval to a bill that forbids granting entry visas or residency rights to foreign nationals who call for economic, cultural or academic boycotts of either Israel or the settlements. The interior minister would be able to make exceptions to this rule if he deems it warranted in a particular case. The bill, which was enacted into law after it passed its second and third readings, was backed by 46 lawmakers and opposed by 28. Zionist Union this time imposed coalition discipline against the bill, after it gave its MKs freedom to vote as they choose during its first reading. The Knesset Interior and Environment Committee approved the final wording of the boycott
bill, whose goal is to fight the international boycott, divestment and sanctions movement. It says the entry ban will apply to any person “who knowingly issues a public call for boycotting Israel that, given the content of the call and the circumstances in which it was issued, has a reasonable possibility of leading to the imposition of a boycott – if the issuer was aware of this possibility.” This definition was copied from a 2011 law that permitted civil lawsuits against BDS activists. The ban would apply not just to people who call for boycotts against Israel, but also to those who call for boycotts of any Israeli institution or any “area under its control” – i.e., the settlements. For more information, (Haaretz 7 March 2017)

- David Friedman’s leadership role in an organization that raises funds for the West Bank settlement of Beit El is frequently cited as grounds for disqualifying him from becoming U.S. ambassador to Israel. It now emerges that Friedman’s financial ties to the settlement movement run deeper than Beit El. Friedman has also made contributions over the years to Ateret Cohanim, a right-wing organization that buys land in the Muslim Quarter of Jerusalem’s Old City and Arab East Jerusalem for creating a “Jewish presence” there. Bernie Hoenig, the founder of American Friends of Ateret Cohanim, the group’s U.S. fundraising arm, said Friedman was one of the organization’s donors. “I definitely know that he has contributed – there’s no question about that,” Hoenig told Haaretz. “But he is not one of our major donors.” Hoenig said he did not know how much money Friedman had contributed to Ateret Cohanim over the years. But he said he did remember seeing him at “at least one, maybe two” of the organization’s annual fundraising galas in New York. Hoenig today is the legal adviser of American Friends of Ateret Cohanim, which is headed by Shoshana Hikind, the wife of Dov Hikind, a New York State assemblyman and well-known supporter of the Israeli right. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee is scheduled to vote on Friedman’s appointment Thursday. If Friedman is confirmed as expected, the vote will go to the full Senate. In his Senate confirmation hearings several weeks ago, Friedman tried to play down his connections to the settler movement. American Friends of Ateret Cohanim is also known as Jerusalem Chai and the Jerusalem Reclamation Project. Following the announcement of Friedman’s nomination, it published a statement extending him a “heartfelt Mazal Tov.” “Mr. Friedman has been a long and generous supporter of American Friends of Ateret Cohanim and we thank him for his past support and friendship,” it said. According to Peace Now, an Israeli organization that monitors settlement activity, Ateret Cohanim owns 59 properties in the Muslim Quarter and Arab East Jerusalem. Since its
establishment in 1987, it has settled 1,100 Jews in these areas, including hundreds of yeshiva students. One of Ateret Cohanim’s best-known donors was the late Irving Moskowitz, a Florida physician who contributed considerably to the settler movement. Ateret Cohanim’s latest project, approved in December, is a new three-story building in the middle of the crowded Silwan neighborhood. Opposition members in the Jerusalem City Council have been fighting the plan. “Ateret Cohanim is known as an organization that tries to make the most provocative purchases possible right in the heart of East Jerusalem,” said Laura Wharton, a city council member for the left-wing Meretz party. “They are seeking to incite as much conflict as they can.” According to its tax forms, American Friends of Ateret Cohanim has raised close to $25 million over the past 20 years. Donations to the organization are tax-exempt because it enjoys 501c status. The tax forms filed do not identify the organization’s donors. On its tax forms, the American Friends organization says it strives to “encourage and promote the study and observance of Jewish religious traditions and culture through seminars, newsletters, tours, Internet and website, support various children’s activities, provide aid for security equipment in support of the safety and protection of community residents, and provide funds for needy families for housing renovations and repairs.” Friedman is president of American Friends of Bet El Institutions, an organization that raises several million dollars a year for projects in that settlement, where he has several close friends. Plaques bearing Friedman’s name and those of other family members appear on buildings in the settlement, including a school built illegally on private Palestinian land. For more information, (Haaretz 7 March 2017)

- The Israeli Knesset passed first reading of the edited motion of Adhan ban bill. Israel’s Ministerial Committee for Legislation had earlier approved an amendment to the contested Adhan ban bill, which seeks to impose limits on the Muslim call to prayer within the Green Line and in occupied Jerusalem, paving the way for the bill to be voted on in the Knesset. The bill was modified to prevent the use of loudspeakers by mosques only between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m., after ultra-Orthodox Israeli Minister of Health Yaakov Litzman filed an appeal against the draft law in November out of fear that it could also affect use of sirens for the weekly Jewish call for Shabbat. Violations of the ban on loudspeakers during those hours will be fined 10,000 shekels ($2,665). The bill will be submitted to the Knesset and will have to go through three rounds of votes before it can pass into law. (PALINFO 8 March 2017)
As the world marks International Women’s Day, 65 Palestinian women, including 12 minors, are being imprisoned by Israel “under dire conditions,” according to a statement released by the Palestinian Prisoner’s Society (PPS) on Tuesday. The 65 women are being held in Israel’s HaSharon and Damon prisons, where prison cells are unbearably cold in winter and hot in summer. In addition, the Israeli Prison Service (IPS) imposes restrictions on provision of clothes, bed sheets, and shoes, PPS said. According to the statement, the longest serving female prisoner is Lina al-Jarbouni, who has been jailed since 2002. (Maannews 8 March 2017)

Community members in Ofra settlement held a ceremony during which the foundation stone was laid for 10 new housing units in Ofra’s “Hahaganah” neighborhood. After the destruction of the nine housing units last week, Ofra is trying to pick up the pieces and continue forward to new building in the community. (INN 9 March 2017)

Shevach Stern, the chairman of the Likud National Headquarters, made clear on Wednesday that the Likud National Headquarters will not allow the construction freeze in Judea and Samaria to continue. Stern spoke to Arutz Sheva amid reports that Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu ordered Housing and Construction Minister Yoav Galant to freeze thousands of housing units which Netanyahu and Defense Minister Avigdor Liberman had recently approved for construction in Judea and Samaria. “At the moment, despite the Prime Minister’s statements about the construction of 5,500 housing units, there is no construction,” he said. “Netanyahu said that until understandings are reached with the U.S. government on the issue of construction in Judea and Samaria, he does not want to do anything else. We will wait two or three weeks until things become clear and I hope that as soon as he returns from his next trip to Washington there will be a positive turnaround including, of course, the establishment of a new community for the evacuees from Amona.” Stern continued, "I understand that the Prime Minister wants to be coordinated with the Americans. I believe that he will not accept a dictate not to build at all. Even during the Obama administration, several thousand housing units were built and there was never a total freeze.” “I think Trump’s call to hold back [on construction] is a kind of mantra that remains from the Obama era that the settlements are an obstacle to peace,” he added. “Things will become clear in a few weeks and I hope that the issue of Amona will be resolved even before that. But if after the process with the Americans ends it will turn out that the policy of Obama will continue, we in the Likud will not remain silent and will
certainly take action.” Stern also discussed Defense Minister Avigdor Liberman’s **controversial remarks** earlier this week, when he said that annexation of Judea and Samaria will result in “repercussions” from the United States. “From what I gathered, he was asked about applying sovereignty over all of Judea and Samaria, including the territories of the Arabs, and that’s what he was replying to. We believe that on the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Judea and Samaria, we must begin to gradually apply sovereignty,” he opined. (INN 9 March 2017)

- The Settlement Division of the World Zionist Organization illegally advanced the construction of settlements on land that it had no authority over, including private Palestinian land, without the knowledge of the Defense and Justice Ministries, according to documents obtained by Haaretz. Despite recurring criticism of the division’s modus operandi, it continued to seize and distribute land illegally in recent years. The Settlement Division has for years been the government’s executive arm for construction in the West Bank, as well as in the Negev and the Galilee, until its activities were restricted recently. Although it’s financed with public funds, the division is not a regular government agency; it is directly subordinate to the WZO and thus isn’t subject to government transparency rules. The government budgets tens of millions of shekels for the division every year, and then transfers additional tens of millions to it during the year’s course. The division has also played a major role in setting settlement policy in the West Bank. For More information, ([Haaretz](http://www.haaretz.com) 9 March 2017)

- The Israeli Knesset intends to ratify the amendment 109 of the Planning and Construction Law next week which aims to accelerate and intensify demolition operations in the 1948 occupied Palestinian territories. According to the website Arabs 48, a group of extreme right-wing associations sponsors this bill including Rgafim association which was found by the extremist settler MK Bezalel Smotrich. The Knesset Interior Committee will start voting on the bill next Tuesday in a prelude for a final approval by the Knesset before 22nd March. Kaminitz Law- amendment 109 of the Planning and Construction Law stipulates expanding the powers of planning committees in issuing and implementing demolition orders against unlicensed buildings, reducing the powers of courts in postponing demolition orders, raising fines, and tightening criminal proceedings against homeowners and whoever contributes to unlicensed buildings including contractors and engineers. The amendment aims to turn demolition orders to administrative orders that can be issued by inspectors, and force local authorities to implement these orders. Mossawa Center and the Arab Center for Alternative Planning as well as the Committee of Heads of
Local Authorities, MPs, political parties and popular committees are exerting efforts to create a popular presence inside and outside the Knesset Interior Committee during the vote. Both Mossawa and the Arab Center affirmed that what had happened in Umm al-Hiran and Qalansuwa was based on the current Planning and Construction Law, which means that passing the new bill while tighten the noose on the Arab masses in 1948 occupied Palestine and entail greater tragedies. (PLAINFO 10 March 2017)

- Ten female prisoners were placed under administrative detention since the beginning of Jerusalem Intifada in October 2015, eight of them were earlier released. However, two female prisoners identified as Sabah Faroun and Ihsan Dababssa are still held in administrative detention without charge or trial, he pointed out. Sabah, a mother of four children, was arrested in June 2016 after Israeli police violently broke into her family home in occupied Jerusalem for Facebook incitement. She was first placed under administrative detention for four months. Her detention was then renewed twice for four months each time. Ihsan, from al-Khalil, was arrested in February 2017 from her family home and taken to Etzion investigation center. She was then placed under administrative detention for six months. Ihsan had earlier spent four years behind Israeli bars in two separate arrests in 2007 and 2014 for being allegedly affiliated to Jihad Movement. 56 Palestinian female prisoners are currently held in HaSharon and Damon prisons suffering harsh treatment and bad incarceration conditions including denying them access to the most basic rights including heating, winter clothing, medical treatment, and family visits. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)

- A tight closure is expected to be enforced by the Israeli occupation army around the West Bank and Jerusalem, along with Gaza crossings. The closure coincides with the celebration of the Jewish Purim holiday. The closure is reportedly slated to be lifted on Sunday. (PALINFO 10 March 2017)

- The Israeli authorities decided to extend a lock down on travel in and out of the occupied West Bank and besieged Gaza Strip for the Jewish holiday of Purim for another day. The closure, which was initially announced to begin midnight on Friday and end midnight on Sunday, would last until midnight on March 13 between Monday night and Tuesday morning. During the closure, only humanitarian, medical, and exceptional cases will be allowed to pass between the West Bank and Gaza, pending approval from COGAT, the Israeli agency responsible for implementing Israeli policies in Palestinian territory. (Maannews 11 March 2017)
• Israel should annex all of Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip and take full responsibility for the Arabs living there, said Yitzhak Chai Zaga, who is challenging Education Minister Naftali Bennett for the leadership of Bayit Yehudi in a race set to be held on April 27. Bennett has spoken about annexing Area C of the West Bank, not about full annexation of the land and its entire Arab population. Zaga said he would provide equal education, housing and employment opportunities for the Arab population but would not grant them citizenship or the right to vote until they respect Israeli nationalism… Zaga has a plan for taking responsibility for the Arab population that starts with removing their ammunition and ending incitement. (JPOST 12 March 2017)

• The Israeli Minister of Culture, Miri Regev, and Minister of Jerusalem Affairs and Environment Protection, Ze’ev Elkin pushed for the establishment of a so-called “Temple Mount Legacy Fund” to prop up Jews’ alleged ties to holy al-Aqsa Mosque. The bid advanced by Regev and Elkin calls for allocating a budget of two million shekels per annum so as to promote a media campaign on Jews’ alleged ties to al-Aqsa Mosque—the third holiest site in Islam. The bid will be brought into a government debate sometime soon, in response to a UNESCO resolution issued last October denying Jewish ties to al-Aqsa place of worship. The Israeli ministers claimed the projected fund aims to spread awareness about the history of the Temple Mount via printed and online multi-lingual circulars and social media network activities. (Ynetnews, PALINFO 13 March 2017)

• The Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) banned the chairman of the Palestine Solidarity Campaign (PSC) from entering Israel, days after the Knesset passed a law to bar supporters of the boycott campaign. PSC chair, Hugh Lanning, has been denied entry into Israel, raising the likelihood he is the first high profile figure to fall foul of the Knesset law. (PALINFO 13 March 2017)

• The Knesset passed legislation disqualifying a candidate from running in parliamentary election if he or she denies Israel’s existence as a Jewish and democratic state or endorses any armed struggle against it. According to a press release issued by the Knesset media office, the new basic law disqualifying any candidate denying Israel’s existence as a Jewish and democratic state, inciting to racism and supporting the armed struggle of terror organization or an enemy state. The law clarifies that the conditions for disqualifying a candidate include his words and not just his deeds. The bill on the matter was voted into a basic law after it was supported in its second and third readings by 29
members of the Knesset and opposed by 20 others. (PLAININFO 15 March 2017)

- Israel expelled Palestinians from the Gaza Strip as collective punishment in retaliation for an attempted attack on Israeli troops, a secret Foreign Ministry document dated June 15, 1967 reveals. The document describes a visit by Foreign Ministry officials to the office of the military governor in Gaza, and discusses a decision to expel dozens of Palestinians from Gaza to Sinai after a land mine meant to harm Israeli security forces was planted. The Foreign Ministry’s Avner Arazi, who served in the ministry’s Asian department at the time, wrote the classified document. For more information, click to read full report. (Haaretz 15 March 2017)

- Israel will give its highest civilian honor to the director of the Ir David Foundation, commonly known as Elad, which works to settle Jews in East Jerusalem and operates controversial archaeological projects outside the Old City, Education Minister Naftali Bennett announced on Thursday. David Be’erii, Elad’s director, will be awarded the Israel Prize for lifetime achievement along with Zvi Levy, who has mobilized support for soldiers who enlist in the Israel Defense Forces from abroad and have no family in Israel - lone soldiers, as they are called in Israel. Be’erii founded Elad in the late 1980s. At first the organization tried unsuccessfully to build 200 housing units for Jews in the City of David area. It then worked to move Jews into the adjacent predominantly Palestinian Silwan neighborhood, in part using controversial means to evict Palestinians living there. In recent years, the organization has used Palestinian middlemen and straw companies registered abroad to acquire homes in the neighborhood. The organization also seeks to settle Jews in other East Jerusalem neighborhoods, such as Ras al-Amud, Abu Tur, and A-Tur. The group also runs the City of David National Park, an archaeological dig in the Arab neighborhood of Silwan, where Jerusalem had its earliest origins. It is thought to be one of the wealthiest non-profits in the country and has strong ties with Jerusalem city hall. In making the announcement, Bennett accepted the recommendations of the prize nominating committees. He congratulated Levy for his efforts on behalf of lone soldiers and Be’erii for turning the City of David into a heritage, education and tourist site of major importance. In selecting Be’erii for the Israel Prize, the country’s most prestigious, the committee said he was chosen for his contribution to the country and particularly for founding the City of David project. "The prize is being given to him fifty years after the reunification of the city [Jerusalem]. He initiated, established, led and leads this praiseworthy effort," the prize jury said.
"The City of David is the historic seed from which Jerusalem, the heart of the Jewish people and the focus of the Book of Books, grew." Bennett added: "Fifty years since the reunification of Jerusalem is an excellent opportunity to thank David Be'eri, one of the great builders of Jerusalem in modern times. For many years, we dreamed, prayed and yearned to return to the city in which David settled and to rebuild it." Be'eri, Bennett said, has realized that dream and by virtue of his efforts "millions of soldiers and student are being exposed to Jerusalem's history in a way that they never could before." Be'eri was an officer in the elite IDF Sayeret Matkal commando unit and in the elite Duvdevan special operations unit, Bennett said, calling him "both a man of the book and a soldier." Bennett called the other prize recipient, Zvi Levy, "an exemplary figure of Zionist and above all Dad to thousands of male and female soldiers who found him as an address. He is Dad and Mom to them, an attentive ear, a friend and a brother." The prize jury noted that Levy, who is from Kibbutz Yifat in the Jezreel Valley, made a decisive contribution to the country through his efforts on behalf of lone soldiers over a period of decades. Commenting on the decision to award Be'eri the Israel Prize, left-wing Meretz Knesset member Tamar Zandberg said: "If there is one party that is responsible most clearly and in the most organized manner for driving a wedge in East Jerusalem, for destroying our joint future and destroying any prospect for a diplomatic solution [of the conflict with the Palestinians], it's Elad, which single-handedly is leading the eviction of Palestinians from their homes and the settlement and Judaization of Silwan, and which nevertheless is receiving hundreds of millions in contributions from companies registers in tax havens. But it's symbolic that in the 50th year of the occupation, this is the message that the government is conveying." Referring to Be'eri by his nickname, Jerusalem Mayor Nir Barkat said: "Davideleh is a loyal and leading partner in the building of Jerusalem, a man of vision just as he is a man of deeds, uncovering layers of Jewish history and building a solid future for on the eternal city on these foundations. On the 50th anniversary of the unification of Jerusalem, there is no one more worthy!" (Haaretz 16 March 2017)

- In a precedent-setting ruling, High Court justices have ordered the Interior Ministry to restore the residency rights of a Palestinian man born in East Jerusalem who was denied permission to live in the city after being away for many years. The ruling challenges a ministry policy of denying residency to many Palestinians born in the city once they're away for more than seven years. A three-justice panel ruled that residents of East Jerusalem "have a strong affinity" to the city which must be taken into consideration with respect to residency rights. With
the annexation of East Jerusalem by Israel in 1967, Palestinians did not receive Israeli citizenship but the status of permanent residents, entitling them to freedom of movement. In effect, the state has treated them as immigrants rather than native-born residents. Since 1967 the Interior Ministry has denied the status of more than 14,000 Palestinians from East Jerusalem citing various reasons. It has been ministry practice, backed by a previous court ruling, to regard Palestinian residency in the city as having "expired" once the person is gone for more than seven years. This rationale has been the most commonly cited by Israeli authorities for denying residency to Palestinians from the city. It has been used against families who moved to the West Bank or to students who studied abroad and did not return within seven years. Jerusalem-born Akhram Abdalhak, 58, was nine when the annexation took place and moved three years later to the United States with his parents. He went to school there and received U.S. citizenship. In 1989 he tried to return to Israel and discovered his legal status had expired and the ministry rejected his request to renew his residency. He married women from the occupied territories twice and moved to Jerusalem, illegally. Three years ago a district court judge, David Mintz, rejected an appeal by Abdelhak of the ministry's having denied him legal status in Israel. In 2014 he appealed to the high court and on Tuesday, justices Uzi Fogelman, Meni Mazuz and the court president, Miriam Naor, found in his favor and instructed the ministry to restore his status. The ruling's significance is in the fact that the justices accepted the principle argued by Abdulhak's attorneys that East Jerusalem residents are not immigrants but have rights due to the fact they were born in the city. Experts say the ruling may bear significance for similar cases involving Palestinians seeking to return to the city. Fogelman wrote that "when the interior minister must examine a request to restore a permanent residency to a resident of East Jerusalem, they must consider the special circumstances of these residents – that as opposed to immigrants seeking status – they have a strong affinity to the place where they live, as people born in this area – and sometimes even their parents and grandparents were born there – and where they have enjoyed family and communal life for years." Mazuz added: "Under these circumstances, the appellant ought to be viewed as someone who has renewed their affinity to Israel and considering the special status of East Jerusalem residents as native born – as opposed to those who won the right to permanent residency by license after immigration – has enough to justify his request to renew recognition in his status as a permanent resident." Naor consented to
these rulings, but added that each case must be judged on its own merit. (Haaretz 16 March 2017)

- Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Thursday vowed to keep his promise to build the first new official West Bank settlement in two decades amid discussions with a US envoy on reviving the peace process with the Palestinians. Netanyahu said he would meet with US envoy Jason Greenblatt for a second time this week on Thursday to try to reach an "agreed-upon policy" on settlements, one of the most contentious issues in decades-old peace efforts. The Palestinians view the building of settlements on land they want for their future state as one of the main obstacles to peace, a position largely supported by the international community. US President Donald Trump voiced support for Israel's position on the campaign trail but has since asked it to "hold off" on settlement construction as he seeks to restart the peace process, which last collapsed in 2014. Netanyahu said reaching an understanding with Washington on the settlements would be "good for Israel," but said he would honor a promise made last month to build a new settlement to replace Amona, an illegal settlement outpost built on private Palestinian land that was forcibly dismantled following a ruling by Israel's Supreme Court. Greenblatt meanwhile met with the chief foreign envoy of the Yesha council, which represents the settlements. The council said it was a "fruitful and positive" meeting, without providing further details. Trump campaigned on promises that he would depart from decades of US foreign policy on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. His platform made no mention of Palestinian statehood, a key goal of the US and international diplomacy for more than two decades, and he vowed to move the US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. However, he seems to have backed off on both since assuming office. At a White House meeting with Netanyahu last month, Trump said he was open to a two-state solution and urged restraint on settlement construction. Plans to move the embassy appear to have been put on hold. The international community views settlements built in the West Bank and east Jerusalem—territories seized by Israel during the 1967 Six-Day War and claimed by the Palestinians as part of their future state—as illegal. Israel says the issue of settlements should be resolved along with other core disputes in direct peace negotiations with the Palestinians. (YNETNEW 16 March 2017)

- Israeli “Defense” minister Avigdor Lieberman declared the Palestinian National Fund (PNF), which is an affiliate of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), a terror organization. The decision is considered the first of its kind since the signing of the Oslo accords in 1993.
According to Israel’s Channel 7, Lieberman justified the decision by saying that the PNF provides millions of shekels in salaries for Palestinian prisoners and families of "terrorists" (martyrs). He described the prisoners and families of martyrs as entities responsible for serious terrorist activity against Israel and Israeli citizens. He accused the PNF of playing a role in the Palestinian Authority’s economic support for "terrorists" who committed attacks against Israelis, and serving as a delegate in the transfer of a significant amount of funds to them. According to a statement released by his office, steps will be taken to seize the fund's property and assets, both in Israel and abroad. PLO chairman Mahmoud Abbas appointed Ramzi Khouri in 2005 as director of the PNF. The PNF was founded in 1964 by members of the PLO in order to serve as the body which will manage the funds of the Palestinian people and their institutions. The person who heads the fund was unofficially considered the Palestinian finance minister. The PNF’s sources of funding were defined as taxes collected from salaries of Palestinian citizens working in the Gulf, donations from businessmen, donations from Arab and other states, from organizations, profits from investments in economic projects and more. (PALINFO 17 March 2017)

- Israel has significantly reduced the number of exit permits for Gaza Strip residents over the past few months. According to Gisha, a nonprofit organization in contact with Palestinian authorities, the number of Gaza residents entering Israel dropped by 40 percent last month compared to the 2016 monthly average, and the number of businesspeople who entered Israel from the enclave fell by 60 percent compared to February 2016. In February, only 7,301 people passed through the Erez crossing, which connects the Strip to Israel and the West Bank – the lowest number since the end of the Gaza war in the summer of 2014. This figure is 40 percent below the monthly average for 2016 (12,150 people) and is just over half of the number of permits issued in February 2015. Gisha says its figures are based on information from the Palestinian civil commission, the official body that works with the Israel Defense Forces’ Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories to issue Israeli entry permits for Gaza residents. The more stringent limits on permits started at the beginning of the year: In January, the number of exit permits for Palestinians from Gaza dropped by 44 percent compared to the same period last year, and by 30 percent compared to the 2016 monthly average. After the fighting ended in 2014, Israel said it would join the efforts to economically rehabilitate Gaza, and announced specific moves to ease the passage of people and goods to and from the Strip. This gave hope
for growth in trade between Gaza and the West Bank and Israel, the natural markets for Gaza, as well as trade with foreign countries. Senior Israeli politicians and defense officials said time after time that promoting the economy of the Gaza Strip and improving living conditions for its residents were in Israel’s interests. This was reiterated more recently, in the wake of the State Comptroller’s report on Operation Protective Edge. The unemployment rate in Gaza reached 42 percent last year, but the greatest drop in permits was among traders, including those with many years’ experience in the business. Gisha recorded only 3,287 exits for traders in February, a drop of over 50 percent compared to the monthly average in 2016 (6,637) and a 60 percent reduction compared to February 2016, when the figure was 8,226. Workers in the furniture industry, which flourished before the blockade, tell of difficulties in manufacturing furniture because of the ban on importing sufficiently wide wooden planks and boards, as well as other raw materials such as paint. These limitations are imposed by Israel for security reasons. Today, only 1,363 traders have valid entry permits, a bit more than a third of the some 3,600 permits Israel had approved in late 2015, and about a quarter of the quota set by Israel, which was never filled. Senior Hamas leader Fathi Hamad said this week that the situation in Gaza is on the verge of boiling over: “Either lifting the blockade, or an explosion,” he declared at a demonstration. Even though Hamas is not interested in an escalation with Israel for now, the situation could create pressure that Palestinian factions, including the ruling Hamas, will no longer be able to withstand, said Palestinian sources. COGAT responded that over the past two years, in number of cases Gaza residents were discovered to have “exploited their entry permits to smuggle money and weapons to Hamas members in Judea and Samaria, forged medical documents, smuggled dual-use materials, exploited international aid and more.” “The figures do not reflect reality when every day, the [IDF’s] Coordination and Liaison Administration to the Gaza Strip coordinates over 1,000 [entries and exits to and from Israel] for purposes of trade and business, medical treatment, academic studies overseas, participation in conferences and training, and more,” said COGAT. “In urgent medical cases we immediately coordinate entry for life-saving medical treatment.” (Haaretz 17 March 2017)

- The Israeli Supreme Court scheduled a hearing session to discuss the appeal submitted against detaining the bodies of Palestinian Martyrs in the occupation’s freezers. The Supreme Court scheduled a session on Wednesday 22/3/2017 to discuss the appeals submitted against detaining the bodies of Palestinian Martyrs. Currently, the bodies of
Martyrs Abdel Hamid Sroor who passed away last April and Musbah Abu Sbeih who passed away last October are being detained in the occupation’s freezers. (SILWANIC 19 March 2017)

- Palestinian Prisoner Society revealed that the Israeli occupation authority (IOA) is detaining 19 mothers out of 60 female captives in Israeli Sharon and Damon jails. The Society pointed out that the IOA deprives some of the female detainees of the right of family visitation. Others also complain of harassment, the ban of open visits which allow them to hold their children and the deprivation of communication either through phone calls or even via written messages. (PALINFO 19 March 2017)

- Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said Tuesday during a briefing to reporters during his visit to China that the Russians had not changed their policy regarding Israeli military actions in Syrian territory and that the coordination between the two countries was continuing. Netanyahu made the remarks in response to reports that Russia summoned the Israeli ambassador to express its displeasure over an Israeli air-strike in Syria last weekend. Netanyahu also stated that the issue was raised during his recent meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin, and that he had made it clear to the Russian leader that Israel would not halt its attacks on Hezbollah arms convoys. “Our policy on the subject will not change,” declared Netanyahu. "If there is a feasibility from an intelligence and military standpoint - we attack and so it will continue." The Prime Minister said that Syria was not informed in advance of Israeli strikes against Hezbollah, so as not to potentially harm Israeli Air Force pilots. He also clarified that restrictions on construction in Judea and Samaria do apply to Jerusalem, and that there is no pressure from the Trump Administration to freeze construction in any part of Israel's capital. "There are no restrictions on construction in Jerusalem, I do not discuss the issue of Jerusalem, and the discourse with the Americans concerns only construction in Judea and Samaria." (Haaretz, INN 22 March 2017)

- Construction on new homes for Jewish residents in Judea and Samaria rose by 40 percent in 2016 compared with the previous year, official figures showed Wednesday. Ground was broken on 2,630 housing units last year compared with 1,884 in 2015, figures from Israel's Central Bureau of Statistics showed. Peace Now called it "the second highest number of construction starts in the past 15 years". The highest number during that time was 2,874 in 2013. "On average, since 2001, 1,790 housing units begin to be constructed in West Bank settlements
each year,” Peace Now said. The figures exclude eastern Jerusalem, liberated by Israel in the Six Day War 50 years ago. Some 200,000 Jews live in eastern Jerusalem, in addition to about 400,000 in Judea and Samaria. Around three million Arabs live in Judea, Samaria and eastern Jerusalem. Netanyahu has been in discussions with US President Donald Trump’s administration on how to move forward with construction in Jewish communities. When meeting Netanyahu at the White House in February, Trump called for Israel to “hold back on settlements for a little bit”. At that meeting, Trump also broke with decades of US policy by saying he was not bound to a two-state solution to the conflict and would be open to one state if it meant peace. But one of his top advisers, Jason Greenblatt, visited Israel and the PA last week, holding a range of meetings on both sides, including with PA chairman Mahmud Abbas and Netanyahu. (INN 23 March 2017)

- The number of Israeli settlers living in the West Bank has soared by nearly one-quarter over the past five years to over 420,000 people, a prominent settler leader said Sunday, presenting new population figures that he said put to rest the internationally backed idea of a two-state solution between Israel and the Palestinians. Yaakov Katz issued his report as the Israeli government is locked in negotiations with the Trump administration over understandings that are expected to include some curbs on settlement construction. “We are talking about a situation that is unchangeable,” he said Sunday. “It’s very important to know the numbers, and the numbers are growing.” According to Katz, the settler population hit 420,899 on January 1, up 3.6 percent from 406,332 people a year earlier and a 23-percent increase from 342,414 at the beginning of 2012. Katz said the numbers were based on data from the Interior Ministry that have not yet been made public. The ministry, which oversees the country’s population registry, had no comment. But Peace Now, an anti-settlement watchdog group, said the numbers appeared reasonable. The figures are being published on a new website sponsored by Bet El Institutions, a settler organization that counts members of President Donald Trump’s inner circle among its supporters. Katz’s figures did not include settlement construction in east Jerusalem, where more than 200,000 Israelis now live. Altogether, he said the population growth—which is nearly double the 2-percent nationwide rate of annual population growth—means the settlements are “irreversible,” he said. For more information: (YNETNEWS 26 March 2017)

- A US-Israel agreement gave a green light for the construction of an alternative settlement outpost to the evacuated Amona outpost.
According to the Channel 2, the Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu will be able to build a new settlement outpost for Amona evacuees, but then restrain settlement construction elsewhere and focus on construction in the large settlement blocs according to the terms of an agreement being hammered out with Washington. The Channel 2 also indicated that the Trump Administration will also give Israel a green light to find a solution for other outposts where there are questions regarding illegal land ownership. (YNETNEWS, PALINFO 26 March 2017)

- Amona evacuees are threatening to build a settlement on their own if Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu does not make good on his pledge to authorize one for them by Friday. “If nothing happens, we will have to unilaterally move onto the [designated] land and create the settlement,” Avihai Boaron, a spokesman for the former Amona residents, said on Sunday. Prior to their eviction in February, Netanyahu promised that the government would create a settlement for the 40 families in an area of the Shiloh community in the Binyamin region of the West Bank. Boaron told Army Radio that work is scheduled to begin on the community by the end of March, based on a signed agreement with the Prime Minister’s Office, but the government has yet to authorize the settlement. A government vote, along with an Interior Ministry designation of a symbol for the community, are the first steps necessary before legal construction can begin. Boaron said the property in question is state land, and that there is no reason for the issue to be dragged out. Netanyahu, however, pledged the community precisely as Israel and the US are in the midst of coming to an understanding with regard to settlement activity. A settlement for the Amona families near Shiloh, which is located beyond the planned route of the security barrier, is considered part of those talks. But Boaron said the two issues have nothing to do with each other. “What we want is for the government to stand by its promise,” he said. “This is not about the Left or the Right. This is about the government’s obligation to make good on a signed agreement it made to its citizens.” Avi Ro’eh, who heads the Council of Jewish Communities of Judea and Samaria, said he supported the Amona evacuees’ decision. This isn’t an “ultimatum,” he told Army Radio, but rather a situational assessment. There are 40 families who have been living for almost two months in a field school, added Ro’eh, who also heads the Binyamin Regional Council. Shiloh is under his auspices, Ro’eh said, and if Netanyahu has still not made good on his word by the beginning of April, “we will go onto that hilltop.” (Ynetnews 27 March 2017)
The Knesset’s Finance Committee approved the transfer of 27 million NIS to local authorities in Judea and Samaria, as part of the "Judea and Samaria grant." In addition, the Committee agreed to provide 30 million NIS for the purpose of bulletproofing public buses and vans used to provide school and public transportation in Judea and Samaria. (INN 27 March 2017)

200 new immigrants from Ukraine came to Israel on a special flight organized by the Keren Yedidut friendship foundation. Many of the immigrants are refugees from eastern Ukraine who fled the battle zones with separatists and Russia. They decided to immigrate to Israel because of the difficult economic situation in Ukraine. Immigrant Absorption Minister Sofa Landwer greeted the new arrivals during a ceremony at Ben-Gurion Airport. (INN 28 March 2017)

Israeli Deputy Foreign Minister, Tzipi Hotovely said that Israel will never withdraw to the borders occupied in 1967, as envisioned by the two-state solution. Added that the number of Israeli settlers should be increased in the West Bank to reach 2 million people noting that the number currently stands at around 600,000. Hotovelt made her remarks at a conference in Washington DC in support of Israeli settlement. (MEM 29 March 2017)

The Israeli lawmaker Yehuda Glick has petitioned the Israeli Supreme Court to reverse a ban preventing members of Israel’s parliament, the Knesset, from visiting the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in occupied East Jerusalem, making good on his pledge to do so after he was sworn into the Knesset last May. (Maannews 30 March 2017)

The International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) has confirmed in a report that five French financial institutions have funded Israeli settlements in the Palestinian territories through their cooperation with Israeli banks and companies operating in the settlements. The FIDH released today a report entitled: “Dangerous Links between French Banks and Insurance Companies and Israeli Colonization”, in which it said that the following banks and companies: BNP Paribas, Societe Generale, Credit Agricole, BPCE, and “AXA” Insurance, have, through their continuous support of Israeli banks and companies operating in the settlements,” directly contributed to the sustainability and development of these settlements. The report, on which “Association France Palestine Solidarite”, CCFD – Terre Solidaire, Fair Finance France, FIDH, LDH, Solidaires, CGT et Al-Haq, have all worked together to publish, said that these French large financial groups manage “financial partnerships” or “own shares” in Israeli banks, and
constitute “an essential tool in the settlement policy” by “financing construction” in these settlements. The report added that these French institutions have relations with Israeli companies that “provide vital services for the sustainability and development of the settlements,” such as the “construction of houses, factories, phone networks, Internet substructure, or even the development of surveillance equipment.” Furthermore, FIDH Vice President Maryse Artiguelong, stated in the report that these five French institutions are regretfully “seeking profit, whatever the outcome,” adding “it’s sad that these institutions have placed themselves in such an oppressive position only to earn a little money.” (PALINFO 30 March 2017)

- Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu related at the opening of his meeting with the President of Slovakia to the establishment of a substitute town for the former residents of Amona. “I promised that we would establish a new town, I believe I gave the first commitment in December, and we will establish it today. There are several more hours, and you will know all the details later.” Amona Staff activists related earlier to reports that the cabinet will convene today for a vote tonight on the establishment of a new town for Amona. “We demand in advance from the PM and cabinet ministers to unanimously support the establishment of a new town, including the granting of a town symbol, and in the location specified by the residents,” they said. “We are clearly aware that the establishment of a neighborhood next to an already-existing town does not constitute a new town as laid out in the agreement with us, and that such a decision opposes the agreement. As such, we will not cooperate with it,” they added. They continued, “If the decision to establish of a new community is not made today, it will constitute a breach of the government’s obligations beyond low public standard and will establish that agreements are not worth the paper that they’re written on. In that case, we will be compelled to use all legal means at our disposal. You destroyed - now build. You committed to begin the establishment of the new community by March 31 - fulfill the agreement, a day before it expires.” The Staff also related to reports that the establishment of a new town is contingent upon limitations on building in Judea and Samaria, and that it damages settlement. "One must not link, in any way, the building of a new community with the debate about building in Judea and Samaria and Israel as a whole. There is an agreement, and it must be kept. In parallel, there is a political discussion about how much to build in Judea and Samaria and where to build. Creating a paradoxical equation whereby the establishment of a new community comes at the
expense of building is a manipulation - no less. The members of the cabinet must deny this and the placement of this assumption at the core of the discussion. Just as Amona must be rebuilt as soon as possible, so life and building must be added in Judea and Samaria, and all of the land of Israel.” (INN 30 March 2017)

- Israel’s Foreign Minister was reportedly instructed by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to slash $2 million from Israel’s contributions to the UN in protest of the adoption of four resolutions in the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) last week addressing issues of human rights in the occupied Palestinian territory, Israeli media reported on Thursday. Calling the resolutions “hostile proposals,” Israeli media outlet Ynet reported that the former UN contributions would instead “be used to deepen and expand Israeli projects in the field of international assistance and will be invested in developing countries that support Israel in international institutions.”

Thirty-six member states voted in favor of the resolution that criticized illegal Israeli settlements in the West Bank, East Jerusalem, and the Golan Heights, according to Israeli daily Haaretz Nine states had abstained, and only two states -- the United States and Togo -- opposed the resolution. The Council also adopted three other motions at the time. A resolution that aims to ensure accountability for human rights violations committed by Israel in the occupied West Bank, besieged Gaza Strip, and occupied East Jerusalem was passed with the approval of 30 member states, with two against and 15 abstaining. The second resolution, concerning the Palestinians’ right to self-determination, was passed almost unanimously, with 43 states voting in favor, two abstaining, and two voting against the resolution. A third resolution that dealt with the status of Palestinian human rights in the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, and East Jerusalem passed with 41 states voting in favor, four abstaining, and two voting against it. Another resolution condemned Israel for its violations of the human rights of Druze residents of the Golan Heights. (Maannews 31 March 2017)

- The Israeli Shin Bet has been banning for weeks Gazan doctors from entering Occupied Jerusalem for working in al-Makassed Islamic Charitable Society Hospital in Jerusalem. The hospital management received negative replies to applications for seven entry passes for doctors from Gaza to access al-Makassed hospital which lacks human resources especially specialized physicians. The eighth application has not been answered yet. Among the banned staff were doctors, some of them work in the ICU Section, and nurses who have been working in the hospital for about 30 years. (PALINFO 31 March 2017)
An Israeli government-owned company has agreed to allow temple mount groups to hold the Passover sacrifice ceremony in the Umayyad Palaces (archaeological park) area close to the Aqsa Mosque. The company approved the request to hold the ceremony in the park, but required organizers to also receive permission from the police in the city. (PALINFO 31 March 2017)

### Monthly Violations Statistics – March 2017

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