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Jerusalem

- Due to Wall constructions which are being carried out in Al 'Izeriyeh city, the 60 meters long and 5 meters high wall of Al 'Izeriye grave yard collapsed. Al Quds (December 5, 2006).
- Israeli Bulldozers demolished the 150 meters square house of Ghadeer Khaleel Abu Ghalyeh in Al Tur Neighborhood in Jerusalem city. Al Quds (December 6, 2006). [Click here for more information](#)
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the 134 meters square storey, composed of two apartments of Muhamamd 'Aashour Al Razem in the old city of Jerusalem under the pretext of being unlicensed. Almost 60 people became homeless. Al Quds (December 7, 2006). [Click here for more home demolition cases](#)
- The Jerusalem Municipality Court postpones demolition orders that were issued for two Palestinian houses in Jerusalem City. The houses belong to Waleed Jaber, 'Inad 'Ubeidat. The court gave Mr. Waleed Jaber a period of

- one year before demolition his house as to give him time to pursue the license procedure of his house; while Mr. 'Inad 'Ubeidat was given a period of a half year to issue a license for his house and was fined 7000 NIS for building without a license. Al Quds (December 12, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces closed Hizma checkpoint in the face of Palestinian Jerusalemites who were trying to access the checkpoint heading to their destinations. Wafa (December 13, 2006). [Click here for more information about Hizma town](#)
 - Israeli Occupation Forces demolished the 100 meters square house of Ahmad Musa Dari located in Al Bataneh area in Al 'Isawiye village under the pretext of being unlicensed. Mr. Dari's wasn't allowed to salvage any of his properties. It is worth mentioning that this is the second time that Mr. Dari's house was demolished; the first was in April 2003. Al Quds (December 13, 2006).
 - Israeli High court rejected the appeals handed to it by residents of [Ar Ram town and Al Bareded outskirt](#) north of Jerusalem city concerning the construction of the Israeli Segregation Wall in the area and stated the legality of the Wall in the area. Wafa (December 13, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation Forces detains a number of Palestinian cars at Al Smoud Mountain in Al Barid outskirt and confiscated their papers and driving licenses. Wafa (December 13, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation forces broke into the Baladna Farm in [Beit Hanina city](#) and caused severe damages to the properties estimated at 20 thousand NIS. Al Quds (December 17, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation Forces demolished the one storey of a building in Beit Hanina city belongs to resident Muhamamd 'Ali Sulaiman under the pretext that the storey endangers the lives of residents in the area. Al Quds (December 20, 2006).
 - The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished the 150 meters square area house of Ahamd Abdel Qader Jabarin in Al Ashqariyeh neighborhood in Beit Hanina city under the pretext of being unlicensed. The IO bulldozers also demolished the 70 meters square house of His son Hatem under the same pretext. Al Quds (December 21, 2006).
 - The Israeli defense minister Amir Peretz endorsed [the original route of the Israeli Segregation Wall around Ma'ale Adumim settlement](#) which will cause the confiscation of 64 thousands dunums of lands of Eastern Jerusalem. Al Quds (December 23, 2006). [Click here for more information](#)

- Israeli Occupation forces demolished the house of Tayseer Al Joulani in Al Thula neighborhood In Shu'fat refugee camp in Jerusalem under the pretext of being unlicensed. Wafa (December 27, 2006).
- The Israeli Jerusalem Municipality installed a camera at a height of 35 meters at the French hill to monitor the "illegal" movements of Palestinian in Jerusalem as Israel claims. Al Quds (December 30, 2006).

Jericho

- Israeli Occupation forces broke into the house of 'Atef Sa'aydeh in Al 'Auja area in Jericho and carried out an intensive house search. Wafa (December 11, 2006).

Bethlehem

- Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the house of Ali Muhammad Salem in Al Shawawreh village east of Bethlehem city and confiscated money and jewelry, destroyed other house properties and door entrances. Al Quds (December 2, 2006).
- Tens of Israeli settlers from Efrata and Tekao settlements held a demonstration on lands of Al Khas and An Nu'man east of Beit Sahour city demanding the Israeli Government to construct a bypass road that links the two settlements with Jerusalem through the lands of the two Palestinian villages. Al Quds (December 2, 2006). [Click here for previously written cases about Al Khas and An Nu'man Villages](#)
- Tens of Israeli settlers from Efrata, Nikodim and Tekoa settlements established on lands east and south of Bethlehem city were allowed to enter Jerusalem through Al Khas-An Nu'man road way. Al Quds (4, 2006).
- Israeli bulldozers backed by Israeli police guards started razing agricultural lands at the northern entrance of Al Khader city west of Bethlehem city planted with vine and apple trees to continue constructing the tunnel that will link the city with the western rural areas of Bethlehem city. Razed lands are estimated at 6 dunums of lands; whereas more than 150 vine trees and a number of apple trees were destroyed due to the

- razing activity. Wafa (December 4, 2006). [Click to read a detailed report about Al Khader village.](#)
- Israeli occupation forces besieged Al Khader secondary school for males west of Bethlehem city and prevented school students from heading back to their houses due to wall constructions that are taking place in the area. It is worth mentioning that the School is located along Bypass road 60 that links Gush Etzion settlement bloc with the Tunnel road. Wafa (December 4, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation forces completely closed the northern entrance of [Al Khader village west of Bethlehem city](#) with barbed wires starting from Al Tal area and extending to bypass road number 60 connecting settlements of Gush Etzion with those inside Jerusalem through the tunnel road. The barbed wires were constructed at a height of 2 meters in addition to installing a 4 meters high and 2 meters wide Iron Gate at the village's northern entrance. Wafa (December 10, 2006).
 - Israeli occupation forces uprooted 85 vine trees in Kherbit Sakaria south of Bethlehem city belonging to residents Salah Shahin. Wafa (December 11, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished the house of Muther Hamad in [Ein Al Juweza neighborhood south of Al Walajeh village](#) northwest of Bethlehem city. This is the third time that the Israeli bulldozers demolish the house of Mr. Muther Hamad. Wafa (December 12, 2006). [Click here for latest Israeli violations in the village](#)
 - The Israeli Occupation forces broke into Beit Sahour Islamic Society in Beit Sahour city broke the door entrances of the society and caused some damages to the properties. Wafa (December 21, 2006).
 - Israeli bulldozers staged into [Um Salamuna village south of Bethlehem city](#) to commence the construction of the Segregation Wall in the Area which will cause the confiscation of 700 dunums of Palestinian Agricultural lands planted with Vine and Olive trees. Wafa (December 26, 2006).
 - Israeli occupation forces installed barbed wires along bypass road number 356 that passes through [Janata village southeast of Bethlehem city](#). Wafa (December 26, 2006).
 - Fifty members of the Zawahra family from the Um Al-Asafeer neighborhood in the southern West Bank city of Beit Sahour have been split up by the building of the segregation wall. Part of the family has remained, attached to the Beit Sahour area, while the others have been

- separated beyond the wall into now-Israeli-controlled land. Ma'an (December 27, 2006).
- Tens of Israeli settlers protested at the main entrance of Za'tara village demanding for a bypass road to be constructed to link the settlements located east of Bethlehem city with those located inside Jerusalem through Har homa settlement located south of Bethlehem City. Al Quds (December 30, 2006).

Ramallah

- The Israeli Occupation forces broke into The "Women Cultural Center" in Ramallah city, confiscated pieces of the computer devices, files and photos that existed in the center. Al Quds (December 3, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces handed out residents of Al Mazra'a Al Qabalyia, beit Illu, Deir 'Ammar, and Ras Karkar a military order to confiscate 145 dunums of lands of the aforementioned villages. Al Quds (December 16, 2006).

Qalqilyia

- Israeli Occupation forces continue erecting the segregation Wall around [Azzun Al 'Atmeh village south of Qalqilyah city](#) to include more Palestinian lands belonging to Sami Qadous, 'Ali Muhammad Qadous, Hasan Mahmoud Qadous, and Ibrahim Abu Hajleh. The wall will cause the isolation 3700 dunums of Palestinian lands in addition to an artesian well and a number of Palestinian workshops, stores and homes. Not forgetting to mention that the wall will extend a length of 3 kilometers from Oranit settlement in the West to finally reach Sha'are Tekva settlement in the east. Wafa (December 9, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation Forces erected a temporary checkpoint at Jit village entrance east of Qalqilyah city and obstructed the movement of Palestinians heading to their destinations. Wafa (December 10, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces closed the entrance of Izbat Al Tabib east of Qalqilyah with cement blocks and huge rocks three days after re-opening it. The IOF also razed the area close to the entrance and destroyed the

- water pipe in the village. It is worth mentioning that the village's entrance has been closed for seven months time. Wafa (December 11, 2006).
- Israeli soldiers manning [Azzoun Al Atmeh Iron Gate south of Qalqilyia](#) city hindered Palestinian Teachers and students from heading to their school located inside the Segregation Wall path. Wafa (December 12, 2006).
 - Israeli soldiers manning the Iron gate installed at Azzoun Al 'Atmeh village entrance hindered school students and teachers from Beit Amin village from accessing the gate going to their school in Azzoun Al 'Atmeh village. Al Quds (December 13, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation forces obstructed the movement of residents of Azzoun Al Atmeh for more than two hours who were trying to access the Iron Gate installed at the Village's entrance. Wafa (December 16, 2006).
 - Israeli bulldozers started razing huge areas of agricultural lands in [Jinsafut village in Qalqilyah](#) in an attempt to expand the Israeli settlement of Immanuel established on lands of the village. Lands belong to Basheer, Saif, 'Eied hussein Abdel Jabbar. Wafa (December 19, 2006).
 - The Israel Defense Forces has offered to "voluntarily transfer" residents of two villages in the West Bank, in order to avoid disruption over the route of the separation fence. The offer to the two villages, which are located within the territorial perimeter of the adjacent Israeli settlement of Alfei Menashe, came after the court determined that the current route of the fence in the area was illegal. It is worth mentioning that the court ruled more than a year ago in favor of a petition by the residents of five villages in the "Alfei Menashe enclave," and told the IDF to dismantle the fence where it cut the villages off from the rest of the West Bank. Haaretz (December 27, 2006).
 - Residents of five Palestinian villages (Ras a-Tira, Wadi a-Rasha, Arb a-Ramadin, Abu Farda and a-Dab'a) in the "Alfei Menashe enclave" and the Association for Civil Rights in Israel petitioned the High Court of Justice against the Israel Defense Forces' revised route for the separation fence that will run near the towns. The petition comes 15 months after the High Court accepted a petition filed by the villages, and ordered the IDF to dismantle the fence, which separated the five towns from the rest of the West Bank. Haaretz (December 7, 2006).

Tubas

- Israeli Occupation forces prevented 'Atouf residents from transferring water to their village despite the water shortage that the village suffers. Al Quds (December 4, 2006).
- Israeli bulldozers are accelerating their razing activities at Tayasir checkpoint, east of Tubas city in an attempt to transfer the current checkpoint into a border crossing. Razing activities are taking place at a distance of 100 meters of the location of the current checkpoint. A number of trees were also destroyed due to the razing activities. Wafa (December 4, 2006).



- Israeli soldiers manning Tayaser checkpoint hindered hundreds of Palestinian residents of the northern valleys from reaching their destinations after closing the Iron Gate without pre-notification. Wafa (December 6, 2006).
- Israeli soldiers manning Tayasir Checkpoint east of Tubas city hindered Palestinian residents from accessing the checkpoint going back to their homes. The soldiers close the checkpoint's gate without pre-notification and prevented anyone from going through. Al Quds (December 7, 2006).
- Israeli high court rejected the appeal handed to it by 5 Palestinian residents in Al Madareb area in Tubas concerning the demolition of their houses. Wafa (December 11, 2006).
- Tens of Israeli settlers along with their families broke into Al Maleh area east of Tubas city and settled in the area. Wafa (December 18, 2006).
- In a continuation to the razing process that took place during the first week of December at Tayaseer checkpoint in an attempt to transfer the checkpoint into a border crossing, Israeli machines has added the

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- infrastructure to the site, including electricity cables, phone lines, and cement blocks. Wafa (December 19, 2006).
- Israeli Settlers from [Rotem settlement](#) are adding some infrastructure to the settlement, mainly to both sides of the road leading to the settlement. Expansion activities are taking place on the expanse of lands of Wadi Al Maleh area east of Tubas city. Israeli settlers are also planting Olive trees on lands that have been previously confiscated from Palestinians in the same area. Wafa (December 19, 2006).
 - Israeli occupation forces completed the first stage of transferring Tayaseer checkpoint east of Tubas city into a huge checkpoint. The first stage included the addition of Electrical Cables, Phone cables and cement blocks. Expansionist activities taking place at Tayaseer checkpoint will also include rooms and iron gates similar to those that were constructed at many Checkpoints and crossings throughout the West BANK Territory.
 - A group of armed Israeli settlers occupied the hilltops located in the vicinity of Abu Firan valley area and Um El 'Aber in Tubas, two Palestinian communities overlooking the western side of the Jordan Valley. Wafa (December 21, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation forces set up a number of temporary checkpoints around Tubas city, the first at Tubas-Tammun roadway, the second was erected at Tubas-Al Far'a Camp road way, while the third was set at the northern areas of the city. Wafa (December 24, 2006).
 - Israeli soldiers manning Tayaseer Checkpoint located east of Tubas hindered Palestinian residents holding permits from entering Kardaleh, Bardaleh, 'Ein Al Bayda and Wadi Al Maleh villages under the pretext that they are not residents of the area. Wafa (December 23, 2006).
 - The Israeli ministry of defense has approved the building of a new residential complex "given the name Masskiyot" in the northern Jordan Valley. The complex will contain thirty houses in which 30 Israeli families of those evacuated from Gosh Katif settlements in Gaza last year will be living. Ma'an (December 26, 2006). [Click here fore related info](#)
 - Israeli occupation forces continue their militarized training activities at the eastern Slopes of Tubas city, mainly on the lands of Yarza, Jamee', Um Al Qaba Hamlets, and Al Burj Mountain. Wafa (December 26, 2006).
 - Israeli settlers continue to add new housing units to settlements of the Northern Valleys. Settlements that witnessed construction activities are Masskiyot, Roi', Hamdat, and Rotem. Wafa (December 26, 2006).

- Israeli soldiers set fire into the lands of Jamee' hamlet east of Tubas city. Wafa (December 26, 2006).
- Israeli Defense Minister Amir Peretz authorized the repopulation of Maskiot, an abandoned Nahal infantry brigade settlement in the Jordan Valley. Peretz approved the construction of 30 new homes in Maskiot that are intended for families evacuated from Shirat Hayam and other uprooted Gaza Strip settlements. Construction on the new homes will begin in the upcoming weeks, according to Jordan Valley Regional Council Chairman Dubi Tal. Haaretz December 227, 2006).

Hebron

- Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished 2 barracks used as toilets in Tatreed area in Ad Dhahriye town which belong to Issa Muhammad Shihada Al Wreidat. Israeli Occupation forces also gave resident Issa Al Wareidat 3 other warnings to demolish more barracks used for the same purpose. Wafa (December 1, 2006). [Click here for more detailed report](#)
- Israeli settlers of Beit Hagai settlement located south of Hebron city uprooted 70 Olive Trees in Al Tubasiyeh area, located 300 meters away from the settlement. Trees belong to Muhammad Abdel Hamid Al Tubasi and Fawzi Rateb Al Tubasi. Wafa (December 1, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into the village of Ar Rayhieh south of Hebron city and carried out an intensive house search in a number of Palestinian houses. Among the houses, the following were known: Waheed Issa Mahmoud Al Tubasi, Fawzi Rateb Al Tubasi, and Ismae'l Fawzi Al Tubasi. Wafa (December 5, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces issued 11 house demolition warnings and 5 other urgent house demolition warnings in the village in Um Khair area, east of Yatta town, and Beit 'Einun area in Sai'r village north east of Hebron city. Residents of Um Al Khair living close to Karmae'l settlement east of yatta town received 9 military warning stating the demolition of their houses and barracks inhabited by some of Arab Al Hathalin. In addition, residents of Beit 'Einun (Al Tarweh family) received seven other military warnings stating also the demolition of their houses located close to the Israeli bypass road number 60. Among the owners, the following were known: Hasan Al Turweh and Muhammad Abdel Salam Al Turweh. Wafa (December 5, 2006).

- Israeli Occupation forces broke into Al Ruwwad and Al Hurrieh radio station in Hebron city and caused severe damages to the properties and confiscated some broadcasting devices and issued a military order to close it till further notice. Wafa (December 07, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into the house of Yusri Al Jamal in Tal'et Takruri area south of Hebron city, detained his family members in one room and carried out an intensive house search and caused some damages to the properties. Wafa (December 09, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces issued a plan to establish high voltage electric current (61000 voltage) on the expense o Palestinian lands of Halhul, Surif and Beit Ummer north of Hebron City. The plan extends ten of kilometers inside the lands of the Governorate starting from the Electricity station close to Kiryat Arba' settlement east of Hebron city, bypassing 'Ein Bani Saleem, Wadi Al Ghrous, Al Baq'a areas and will continue to extend along bypass road 60 untill it reaches Betar Illit settlement located north of Beit Surif town north of Hebron City. The plan will prevent Palestinian resident of the three aforementioned villages from building at a distance of 40 meters from the electricity line and will prevent them from freely moving in their lands. The IOF also plan to construct a road parallel to the new Israeli electricity line. Wafa (December 10, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into the house of Yousif Jibreil Abu Samra in Al Sha'abeen area east of Yatta Town and caused severe damages to the properties. The IOF also destroyed a barber shop owned by Mr. Yousif, broke the windows glass and the destroyed the door of the shop. Wafa (December 11, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into As Smou' secondary school for males located in Al Khan area north of the town and turned it into a military post and caused severe damages to the properties. The IOF also took over two other houses owned by Salah 'Ali Musleh Al Baddareen and Muhammad Ibrahim Al Baddareen located next to the school and turned them into military posts. Wafa (December 13, 2006)
- Israeli Occupation forces caused damages to a number of Palestinian houses in Al Tuwani village in Yatta village. Among the owners, the following were known; Jum'a Musa Rib'i located 100 meters away from the Israeli outpost Havan Ma'on. On the other hands, settler of Avigal settlement located one kilometer away south of Tuwani village hindered Palestinian farmers from grazing the lands located in the vicinity of the settlement. Wafa (December 13, 2006).

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- Israeli High court accepted the petition presented to it by residents of As Smou' town and Hebron city to dismantle a 41 kilometers wall constructed on the main roadways leading to the two towns. Al Quds (December 15, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into As Smou' village Police Station and carried out an intensive search and caused some damages to the properties. Wafa (December 16, 2006).
- Israeli occupation forces broke into the house of Hamza Isma'el Muhammad Irzeiqat from Tappuh village in Hebron carried out an intensive house search and caused severe damages to the properties. The process caused a state of fear among family members. Wafa (December 18, 2006).
- An Israeli family that was evacuated from Hebron's wholesale market a year ago secretly returned about four months ago, but was discovered only recently by the Israel Defense Forces and the Civil Administration. As a result, the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court decided it cannot be evacuated via the fast-track method used to evacuate squatters within the first 30 days and forbade their evacuation until a final decision is made on the case. Haaretz (December 22, 2006).
- A number of Israeli settlers broke into the house of Thiab Muhammad Abdel Mun'im Al Qasrawi in Hebron Old city and stole some properties from the house; upon leaving, settlers also set fire into the house which caused a damage estimated at 100 thousand USD. Al Quds (December 22, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into Beit 'Awwa Medical center southwest of Hebron City and broke 7 entrance doors and caused damages to some medical equipments and detained a Doctor and a nurse who were on duty under the pretext of searching for wanted people. Wafa (December 26, 2006).
- The Israeli Authorities ordered Israeli settlers to evacuate four homes in a heavily guarded enclave in the West Bank city of HebrOn, saying the structures were illegally built. Haaretz (December 27, 2006).
- An Israeli settler razed and destroyed 40 dunums of Agricultural lands in Maghfir Al Rahwe area in Ad Dhahriya town south of Hebron city. The lands are planted with Wheat and Barley and are owned by resident Hamza Abu 'Allan. Wafa (December 27, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation Forces escalate their harassments against Palestinian residents at Kfar Etzion Checkpoint between Bethlehem and Hebron

Governorates. Residents reported that the Israeli soldiers manning the checkpoints insulted them and forced them to wait for long hours until being checked thoroughly. Wafa (December 28, 2006).

Nablus

- Israeli occupation forces erected a second iron gate located at the entrance leading to Beit Furik and Beit Dajan villages. The gate is located 100 meters away from the checkpoint that already controls the movement of residents of the two villages. Two other cement blocks were placed next to the Iron Gate in an attempt to tighten the closure on the two villages. It is worth mentioning that residents aren't allowed to access the gate after 7 m. Al Quds (December 6, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation Forces Israeli Occupation forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the eastern entrance of Al Bathan village east of Nablus city and obstructed the movement of Palestinians heading to their destination. Wafa (December 10, 2006). [Click here for more detailed info about the checkpoints in Nablus city](#)
- Israeli Occupation forces erected four temporary checkpoints in Nablus city, one at Al Bathan – Nablus Junction, another at the entrance of Al Far'a village, another at the road way leading to the northern valleys and the last at Tallouza –Asira Ash Shamaliyieh roadway and obstructed the movement of Palestinians using these roadways. At the same time, The Israeli Occupation forces continue to close Checkpoint 17 for one month so far. Wafa (December 13, 2006). [Click here for more detailed info about the checkpoints in Nablus city](#)
- Israeli Occupation forces took over the house of Maddin Abdel Khaliq Jabour from Salem village east of Nablus city and turned it into a military post. Al Quds (December 12, 2006)
- Israeli bulldozers continue razing lands in the vicinity of Huwwara checkpoint south of Nablus city for the second day on row. The razing activities aim at widening the checkpoint in a way to include more lanes and for Israeli private use. Razed area is estimated at 7 dunums. Wafa (December 20, 2006). [Click here for more detailed info about the checkpoints in Nablus city.](#)

- Israeli occupation forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the entrance of Tallouza village south of Nablus city and carried out a thorough inspection. Wafa (December 24, 2006).

Salfit

- Israeli military forces have continued to besiege the northern West Bank [village of Marda, north of Salfit](#), with barbed wire and the separation wall imprisoning the town. Israeli forces have surrounded the northern and western borders of the village with a two-meter fence leaving only one entrance to the town in the north, which now has been closed by the installation of an Israeli military checkpoint. On the southeast, the segregation wall and the Israeli settlement of Ariel complete the encirclement of the town. Ma'an (December 13, 2006).
- Israeli soldiers stationed at the 'Atara checkpoint escalated their measures against Palestinian citizens passing through the checkpoint. The soldiers stopped all Palestinian cars and citizens traveling toward Ramallah city, and blocked them for several hours causing delay to Palestinian residents going to their jobs and homes, in addition to causing massive congestion of hundred of citizens and dozens of cars at the barrier. Ma'an (December 18, 2006).
- Residents of the northern West Bank [town of Bruqin, west of Salfit](#), have reported that that sewage is still overflowing from the nearby Israeli settlement of Ari'el which threatens to cause a health disaster in their town. Ma'an (December 18, 2006).
- Israeli soldiers stationed at [za'tara checkpoint](#) carried out some provocative measures against the Palestinian residents who were accessing the checkpoint heading to their destinations. It was reported that Israeli soldiers ordered Palestinians to leave their vehicles, and make them wait under the heavy rain, claiming to want to search the cars and check the ID's of the citizens. It is worth mentioning that the [checkpoint of Zatar](#) has no shelter, and the Palestinians that get held there suffer from the heat during the summer and from the rain and cold in winter. It has been noted that many Palestinians are often detained for arbitrarily-decided lengths of time, while they have to wait to be allowed to pass through. Ma'an (December 27,2006).

Jenin

- The Israeli Authorities announced the annexation of Barta'a village lands that are located along the 1949 Armistice Line (Green Line) to Israel. Not forgetting to mention that the village lost a considerable area of its lands for the construction of the Israeli Segregation Wall and later on was besieged by an Iron Gate that controlled the movement of its residents. Al Quds (December 5, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation Forces took over an under construction building in Ya'bad village south of Jenin city and turned it into a military post. Wafa (December 5, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation Forces commenced the construction of a new Segregation fence in [Zabuba village northwest of Jenin city](#) in addition to the already constructed one. The fence was constructed 2 meters away from the already existing fence and is more than two meters high and extends a length of 1 and a half kilometers from the southern part of the village. The IOF has razed tens of Olive trees belonging to Mustafa Taher Jaradat, Kamel Abed Ahmad Suleiman, Yehya Musa Abdullah, Bilal Tawfeek Abu Baker, Sabri Fareed Abu Baker and Amina Yousif Jaradat. Wafa (December 10, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into Ya'bad secondary school for males located in Jenin without any pre-notification. Wafa (December 12, 2006).
- Limor Har Malich-son, a spokeswoman for the Homesh settlement, said that the 25 families that were evacuated from the settlement in September 2005 are getting ready to move back to their places in the settlement. Al Quds (December 15, 2006).
- The Israeli Occupation forces partially demolished the house of Yaser Nazzal in Qabatyia city southwest of Jenin city. Al Quds (December 26, 2006).
- A Palestinian family from the northern West Bank town of Ya'bad, in the southwest of Jenin, the Abu Bakir family, has been detained for the third day on row by the Israeli Soldiers who broke into the house and detained them in their house. The family has run out of food and water while the soldiers insist on their continued detention. Ma'an (December 29, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the southern entrance of Qabatyia town southeast of Jenin city and obstructed the

- movement of Palestinian residents who were accessing the road heading to their destinations. Wafa (December 29, 2006).
- The Israeli occupation forces gave warnings to 3 residents in Tura Al Sharqiyeh to demolish their barracks that are used as "poultry farms" due to their location close to the Israeli Segregation Wall; of the owners, Mr. Thiab Younis was known. Al Quds (December 29, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation forces handed out residents of 'Arbouna village east of Jenin city 4 house demolishing warnings for security reasons. Of the owners, Mr. Ahmad Abu Hasan was known. Al Quds (December 29, 2006).
 - Israeli Occupation forces issued orders to uproot hundreds of Olive trees in the villages of Ya'bad, Barta'a and 'Anin in Jenin District. Al Quds (December 29, 2006).

Tulkarem

- Israeli occupation forces commenced the construction of the Segregation Wall on lands of Kafr Al Labad and Al Hafasi villages east of Tulkarem city and located in the vicinity of Avnei Hefetz settlement for the construction of a Segregation Wall (fence) around the settlement. Al Quds (December 3, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces announced the closure of Far'oun Agricultural gate Number 708 south of Tulkarem city. The gate is the only entrance/exit left for residents of Far'oun village to their segregated lands. This procedure will lead to the confiscation and annexation of thousands of dunums of agricultural lands located west of the Wall. Al Quds (December 4, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation forces continued razing lands in Al Hafasi village lands east of Tulkarem city for the construction of the Israeli security fence around Avnei Hefetz settlement. The fence will cause the isolations of hundreds of dunums of lands of the village. Wafa (December 10, 2006).
- IOF hindered residents aging more than 35 from accessing Ar Ras checkpoint south of Tulkarem city from heading to their destinations in Tulkarem city and forced them to go back to their houses. Soldiers manning the checkpoint also carried out an intensive inspection to residents who were trying to access the checkpoint. Al Quds (December 10, 2006).

- Israeli Occupation Forces besieged Iyad Fat-hi Al Tirawi in the southwestern neighborhood in Tulkarem city and forced its residents to evacuate the building under the threat of weapons. Wafa (December 14, 2006).
- Israeli forces have confiscated hundreds of acres of Palestinian lands belonging to the northern West Bank town of Kafr al-Labad, east of Tulkarem. The lands have been confiscated for the establishment of the segregation wall around the Israeli settlement of Avne Hefez. The confiscated lands are planted with olive trees and occupy some 144.6 dunums (one dunum = 1000 square meters). Ma'an (December 14, 2006).
- Israeli occupation forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the entrance of Iktaba village east of Tulkarem city and carried out a thorough inspection and caused delays to Palestinian residents who were heading to their destinations. Wafa (December 24, 2006).
- Israeli troops invaded Irtah, east of Tulkarem and broke into the house and shop of Nasser As Salman, searching intensively. Ma'an (December 27, 2006).

Gaza

- In a report issued by Beit Hanoun Municipality showed that the total losses of the city following the Israeli incursions are estimated at USD 100 Million. The report also showed that a total of 7500 dunums of agricultural lands were razed by the Israeli bulldozers. Al Quds (December 15, 2006).

Others

- The Higher Arab Monitoring Committee released a document entitled "The Future Vision of the Palestinian Arabs in Israel." It stipulates that Israeli Arabs will demand that during the next two decades Israel become a binational state alongside an independent Palestinian state. The document demands that Israel recognize the Arab community as a national minority with the right to be represented in international forums. Haaretz (December 6, 2006).

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- The Israeli ministry of interior threatened to demolish 42 thousands of Arab houses in the unrecognized villages inside the 1949 Armistice Line (Green Line). Wafa (December 5, 2006).
- The Israeli authorities demolished 17 Arab houses and 3 barracks in the unrecognized village of Al Taweel in the Negev under the pretext of being unlicensed. Among the owners, the following were known: Faris, Salem and Yaser 'Aqeel, Ali and Mutawe' Al Talalqa, Tawfeeq Theib Al Talalta, Ibrahim and 'Ali Hasan Al Talalqa, 'Amer Ahmad Al Talalqa, Fareed 'Ali Al Talalqa, Saqer Amer Al Talalqa, Ziyad Saqer Al Talalqa, Hani Saqer Al Talalqa, Yousif Mutawee' Al Talalqa, 'Ali Husein Al Talaqa, Jibreil Ahmad Al Talalqa and Salameh 'Amer Al Talalqa. Wafa (December 06, 2006).
- The Israeli authorities demolished three houses belonging to Abu 'Ashieba, Al Kashkhar, and Al GHanami families in the unrecognized village of Um Matnan in the Negev. The Israeli Authorities also gave 17 other house demolition warnings in the same area. Wafa (December 12, 2006).
- The Israeli High Court of Justice ruled unanimously that the state of Israel is responsible for paying compensation for harm caused by Israeli army operations against civilians in the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip. The ruling cancels a portion of the "Intifada law," which exempted the state from paying compensation for harm caused by Israeli military operations against civilians in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip during Israeli security forces operations in areas termed "conflict zones" by the Israeli defense ministry. Ma'an (December 12, 2006).
- Israeli police and border guards broke into the Negev village of At-Taweel in large numbers and attached demolition warrants to several houses. If the Israeli plans are fulfilled, according to the head of the regional council of "the unrecognized villages", Hussain Rafay'a, that will displace 570 Bedouin, and leave them homeless. Ma'an (December 21, 2006).
- The Israeli defense minister, Amir Peretz, announced his will to remove 59 of the 400 existing military checkpoints in the West Bank. Ma'an (December 22, 2006).
- The Israel Defense Forces came out against Ehud Olmert's promise to remove some checkpoints in the West Bank and Defense Minister Amir Peretz rejected a specific plan to remove 27 of the approximately 400 roadblocks. Deputy Defense Minister Ephraim Sneh, who developed the plan, convinced Peretz to allow him to present it to Olmert. The IDF will

be given two weeks to respond. In addition, Peretz approved steps that will make it easier to bring Palestinian workers and merchants into Israel. GOC Central Command Yair Naveh suggested that instead of dismantling the checkpoints, Israel should decrease the scope of security checks at these checkpoints by examining only some vehicles rather than all of them.

Another suggestion was to open an additional crossing for goods in the northern Jordan Valley, to make it easier for trucks to get to Palestinian towns in the northern West Bank. Haaretz (December 25, 2006).

- Prime Minister Ehud Olmert instructed the security establishment yesterday to implement steps to make daily Palestinian life easier, including allowing a greater volume of merchandise to be taken across checkpoints, shortening lines at roadblocks, and issuing an increased number of permits allowing merchants, VIPs and international organization workers to cross into Israel. Haaretz (December 26, 2006).
- Israeli Occupations Forces detained hundreds of Palestinian residents leaving and entering the West Bank in the waiting Hall for long hours at Alanbi Bridge without justifications. Wafa (December 28, 2006).
- Settlers are continuing to place mobile homes and trailers in West Bank outposts and settlements, without legal permits. Civil Administration reports show that since the start of the second Lebanon war in July, some 200 mobile homes have been placed. This is a substantial increase over the few dozen trailers placed in the first half of the year. Since the beginning of the month, nearly 90 trailers were placed illegally in the West Bank. A Defense Ministry aerial survey found new mobile homes in illegal outposts such as Givat Assaf, near Beit El, and Amona, near Ofra. Some of the new mobile homes were also placed in veteran settlements. Haaretz (December 29, 2006).
- In a report issued by the Syrian center for Water security and studies in Damascus, showed that Israel controls over 80% of the Water in the Palestinian Territory. Wafa (December 30, 2006).

Governorate	Land Confiscated /razed (Dunums)	Land Threatened (Dunums)	Uprooted / razed or Taken over Trees	Houses & Barracks' Demolished	Houses threatened to be demolished
Bethlehem	6	6	235	1	0
Jerusalem	0	0	0	8	0

Jenin	0	0	0	0	4
Tulkarm	144.6	0	2892	0	0
Ramallah	145	0	0	0	0
Nablus	7	0	0	0	0
Salfit	0	0	0	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	0	0	0	0	0
Qalqilyia	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	40	0	70	0	16
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
Total	345.6	0	3197	9	20

The Monthly overview report gives a list of the Israeli Violations in the Occupied Palestinian Territory which are based on reports provided by field workers and/or by one or more of the following news sources: Al-Ayyam daily newspaper, Al-Quds daily newspaper, Palestinian National Information Center, Haaretz Daily Newspaper, The Jerusalem Post - English-language daily newspaper, International Press Center, Palestine News Agency-Wafa, Ma'an News Agency, and Yediot Achronot.

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