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Jerusalem

- Extremist Jewish settlers, wrecked the tires of more than 20 cars belonging to Palestinian residents of the neighborhood of Ras Al-'Aamoud, in Jerusalem, while the cars were parked in front of their owners' houses. Maan (January 13, 2006).
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers razed hundreds of seedlings belonging to Sofian Muhammad Yousif located close to Giv'at Ze'ev settlements west of Al Jib Village. Al Quds (January 13, 2007).
- The Ministry of Construction and Housing on Monday published a tender for the construction of 44 new housing units in the settlement city of Ma'aleh Adumim. Haaretz (January 15, 2007). [Click here for more info](#)
- 63 residential buildings and 18 pirate gas stations were demolished in East Jerusalem in 2006, according to the Israeli Committee against House Demolitions (ICAHAD)'s annual report. This is 13 structures less than the

- number demolished in 2005, according to ICAHD's data. The amount of square meters demolished during the year in fact halved from 12,000 square meters to 6,000 square meters. Maan (January 15, 2007).
- A shack belonging to one of the Jahalin Bedouin, Khaled el Basha, southeast of Jerusalem, was to be demolished but the Border police and bulldozers arrived to do so without a demolition order and due to the presence of international activists and press, the home was saved. Maan (January 15, 2007).
 - The Al-Aqsa Institution for the Reconstruction of the Islamic Sanctities has announced that the Israeli government has carried out a wide excavation campaign in the furthest western side of the 'Al-Buraq' yard, on the outer perimeter of the Al-Aqsa Mosque in the Old City of Jerusalem. The Israeli government also carried out excavations on a vast surrounding area, which entailed the demolition of ancient Arab and Islamic buildings and the removal of hundreds of cubic meters of earth by bulldozers. Maan (January 17, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished the house of Basem Siyam in Al 'Abasiyeh neighborhood under the pretext of being unlicensed. In another incident, the Israeli Occupation Bulldozers also demolished the house of Molouk Kathem 'Abdullah in Al Tur Neighborhood east of Jerusalem. Al Quds (January 17, 2007). [Click here for more related info](#)
 - Israeli Occupation bulldozers resumed wall constructions at the northwestern Part of 'Anata town. Al Quds (January 18, 2007). [Click here for related cases](#)
 - Israeli occupation bulldozers demolished the house of Muhammad Ahmad Nu'man Al 'Abasi from silwan city to the south of Jerusalem city under the pretext of being Unlicensed. The area of the house is 135 square meters and is a shelter to 6 people. Al Quds (January 18, 2007).
 - Israeli settlers attacked the 4.5 dunums of land in Asheikh Jarrah area in Jerusalem city and removed the barbed wires that were surrounding the land. Lands belong to Kamal 'Ubeidat and Salem Mansour. Al Quds (January 22, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished a building of four floors belongs to Muhammad Mahmoud Al 'Amas from Al 'Aqaba neighborhood in Sur Baher city south of Jerusalem city under the pretext of being built on a piece of land that is designated for the construction of a bypass road that will lead to Har Homa settlement. The area of the building is 1500 square meters and is a shelter to 22 people. Loses are

- estimated at 500 Thousand NIS (120 Thousand USD). Al Quds (January 23, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolish the house of Majed Issa Barakat in An Nabi Samuel village northwest of Jerusalem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. The family were given no time to salvage any of the house properties. The house is 70 square kilometres and is a shelter to 5 people. Wafa (January 29, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished the house of Ghadeer Abu Ghalia in At Tur neighborhood due to its location close to the Mount of Olives new crossing; the IOF also demolished two houses belonging to Muhammad Ahmad Al Harsh and his son Ahmad in Ras El Baba area (The Pope's Hill) in Eizariya northeast of Jerusalem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. IOF also demolished an under-construction house and a wall and a store in Al Thagra area in Ali'ezra Mountain owned by Khalil and Na'im Qatmera due to their closeness to the Israeli Segregation Wall path; in addition, the IO bulldozers demolished the under-construction house of Muhammad Al Ghafari in Beit Hanina city. Maan & Wafa (January 30, 2007).
 - Israeli Authorities established a detention center inside the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim. Al Quds (January 30, 2007). [Click here for related cases](#)
 - The Israeli court rejected an appeal by Al-Aqsa Institution for the Reconstruction of the Islamic Sanctities to prevent Israeli companies from constructing bypass roads that passes through the village of the destroyed village of Beit Dajan. Wafa (January 31, 2007).

Jericho

- Israeli Occupation forces demolished four houses and a commercial store in Al Jiftlik village north of Jericho city. Houses belong to Bashar, Basheer Mubarak Bisharat, Bassam Mahmoud Masa3eed and 'Ali Salem Jahalin. Wafa (January 23, 2007).

Bethlehem

- In a statement issued by Al Kahder city Municipality, the Segregation wall will extend a length of 6.7 kilometers long on lands of the city from north to the south and will cut most of Al Khader city western agricultural lands estimated at 15391 Dunums of land (76.6 % of the village's total land area). Al Quds (January 4, 2007). [Click here for a detailed report.](#)
- The Local Housing Committee at the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem submitted a new controversial plan to build **1,000** new housing units in [Har Homa settlement](#) that lies on southeastern edge of the city of Jerusalem. The new constructions falls within the settlement's master plan at its northeastern side on lands confiscated from Sur Baher, north of Har Homa settlement. Ynetnews (January 9, 2007). Click here for a detailed case
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into Al Saff area and besieged the house of Iyad Al Kamel. Wafa (January 9, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers resumed wall constructions north of Beit Jala city. It is worth mentioning that the wall will extend a length of 12 kilometers in the city and will cause the isolation of 6457 dunums of lands (45%) of the total city area. Al Quds (January 10, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers invaded the villages of Um Salamuna, Wadi An Nis, Jouret Al Sham'a and Wad Rahhal south of Bethlehem, and started razing agricultural lands for the construction of the Israeli Segregation Wall. Lands threatened are estimated at 1500 dunums and are cultivated with Olive, Almonds and Vine. Among the owners, resident Ali Khader Issa Taqatqa and his nephews were known. Wafa (January 17, 2006).
- The Israeli forces destroyed two Palestinian homes in the area of As-Sawahira, located north east of the city of Bethlehem and south of Jerusalem, claiming they were built without a license. One of the houses belongs to Jamal At Taweel and the other to Amir Abu Diab. Maan (January 23, 2007).
- Dozens of settlers from the settlement bloc of Gush Etzion, located close to the West Bank city of Bethlehem, have demonstrated with protection from the Israeli police, near the village of Za'tara, east of Bethlehem, in condemnation against the closure of the road next to the village to their cars. As claimed by Israeli Police, roads were closed off to them for their own safety. On a much higher frequency, roads in the West Bank are

- closed off to Palestinian vehicles and only Israeli-plated cars are allowed on them, principally these illegal settlers. Maan (January 26, 2007).
- The Israeli Occupation Army handed out 11 military notices to residents of the Orthodox Housing Complex project and Jabal Ad Dik area (east of Beit Sahour), 6 of which to demolish existing residential houses and 5 to stop ongoing constructions of residential buildings. Houses **belong to** [Issam Bannoura](#), [Naser Nairoukh](#), [Ibrahim Nairoukh](#), [Jad'oun 'Tbiait](#), [Jadoun 'Tbiyat](#), [Nader Najem](#), [Iyad El Helo](#), Nihad Najem, Greek [Orthodox Housing Complex](#) - Building # 9, Greek [Orthodox Housing Complex](#) - Building # 10, Greek [Orthodox Housing Complex](#) - Building # 11. ARIJ (January 28, 2006). [Click here for a detailed report](#)
 - The Israeli Occupation Army handed out military notices to stop construction in 4 houses in Al Baida Hamlet in Wad Rahhal village south of Bethlehem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. Notices were given at the time Israel is building the Segregation Wall in the area. Houses belong to Muhammad Mustafa Khaleel Khalawi, Khaled Muhammad Khaleel Khalawi, Nizar Hussein Issa Sanad and Ibrahim Hasan Isma'el and all amount to an area of 570 square meters. It is worth mentioning that the four houses are located in area "B" where Palestinians have full control over the civil responsibilities and Israel continues to have overriding responsibility for security. Wafa (January 31, 2007).
 - Villagers of Um Rukbeh area (about 200 residents) in Al Khader city southwest Bethlehem city suffers from the Israeli closure of the village's entrance with for the sixth year on row. The village also faces the threat of losing its land for the expansion of Efrat Settlement. Wafa (January 2007).

Ramallah

- Israeli soldiers have stopped a large number of Palestinian cars at 'Atarah checkpoint north of Ramallah city under the pretext of checking their identification cards. Maan (January 6, 2007).
- The Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert, has approved a plan to reroute a section of the Segregation Wall to increase its length by 12 Km. the newly added section is set to take place north of the Modi'in Illit settlements block west of Ramallah governorate, about five Km from the 1949 Armistice Line (the Green Line). The recently approved addition Wall

length, aim to encompass two Israeli settlements within the Segregation Wall, Nili (Est. 1981, pop. 879) and Na'leh (Est. 1988, pop. 637). Haaretz (January 31, 2007). [Click here for a detailed report](#)

Qalqilyia

- Israeli Occupation Forces closed the agricultural gate located north of Jayyous town east of Qalqilyia city for several hours and decreased the opening period of the gate to 3 hours a day from rather than 12 hours. Wafa (January 16, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the eastern entrance of Qalqilyia city and Palestinians accessing the checkpoints were subjected to thorough inspection. Wafa (January 21, 2007).

Tubas

- Israeli Occupation Forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the southern entrance of Tubas city, north of the West Bank and another temporary checkpoint near Aqaba Village northwest Tubas city. Wafa (January 3, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the entrance of Tammun Village south of Tubas City north of the West Bank and detained a number of Palestinian cars under the pretext of searching them. Wafa (January 6, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation forces detained one Palestinian farmer near Baqa'ot settlement east of Tubas city for hours while he was working in his fields. It is worth mentioning that many other Palestinian farmers have also been detained in the last few months under the pretext of "lands declared as closed military area". Wafa (January 8, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces erected a temporary checkpoint south of An Nasariya village, on a main road that links the middle valleys with the rest of the northern West Bank Governorates. Wafa (January 8, 2007).
- Israel reopens Bardala crossing in the northern valleys that links the West Bank Territories with the 1948 lands after closing for over a year. Wafa (January 9, 2007).

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- Israeli Occupation Forces confiscated a car owned by a Palestinian resident while heading to work at a temporary checkpoint erected east of Tubas City. Wafa (January 9, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces besieged the house of Ahmad Swafta in Al 'Aqaba village north of Tubas city and broke the door entrances. Wafa (January 9, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces broke into [Al 'Aqba village northwest of Tubas city](#) and warned residents of the village to demolish a cement pool owned by resident Salah Salem Muhammad Jaber and a house owned by Ahmad Mahmoud 'Ali Taleb for security reasons. These two warnings increased the number of houses threatened to be demolished in the village to 19. It is worth mentioning that work in these wells is pure legal and lands are owned by Palestinians of the village who own documents of ownership of the land where the wells are being constructed. Wafa (January 10, 2007).
- Israeli soldiers manning Tayaseer Checkpoint east of Tubas city detained tens of Palestinian cars who were trying to access the checkpoint to their lands in the northern Valleys. Wafa (January 13, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces erected two temporary check points, one on the roadway linking Tubas city with Jenin city while the second was erected on Tubas's southern main road and obstructed the movement of Palestinians heading to their destinations. Wafa (January 15, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces detain a Palestinian Teacher at Tayaseer checkpoint east of Tubas city while was heading to his school in Bardalah Village in the upper northern valleys. Wafa (January 16, 2007).
- Israeli minister of defense Amir Peretz has reportedly retracted his decision to build 100 housing units in the northern Jordan Valley as part of a new settlement, Maskkiyot. Maan (January 19, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers razed an agricultural pool in Foroush Beit Dajan village north of Jericho city. The pool belongs to resident Yousif Shaheen. Wafa (January 24, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces commences the construction of a fence close to a huge checkpoint that Israel built 5 kilometers from Tubas city to segregate the Northern Valleys from the rest of the West Bank Governorates. It is worth mentioning that Israeli Occupation Forces started weeks ago razing lands 5 kilometers away from Tubas city north of the West Bank in an attempt to construct a huge crossing that will contain low concrete infrastructure and will be equipped with mechanical devices used to control pedestrian movements and military watch towers for monitoring

- the pedestrian and vehicular movements in addition to rooms for military use only. Wafa (January 24, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Vehicles started transferring heavy equipments to Tayaseer checkpoint east of Tubas city which Israel is working on transferring it to a huge crossing. Wafa (January 29, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation forces erected a temporary checkpoint on the roadway that links 'Aqqaba village with Al Kuffeir and detained tens of Palestinian cars. Wafa (January 30, 2007).
 - The Israeli Occupation Forces erected a huge cement military tower at the upper northern valleys, to the north of Tayaseer Checkpoint east of Tubas city. The tower was provided with electronic monitoring devices. Wafa (January 30, 2007).
 - Tens of Israeli Settlers broke into [Masskiyot](#) settlement in the northern valleys and threatened to start building in the settlement to settle families evacuated from Shirat Hayam and other Israeli settlements in Gaza. Wafa (January 30, 2006). [Click here for more related info](#)
 - Israeli Occupation forces torn the ID of a Palestinian resident at Tayaseer Checkpoint east of Tubas city under the pretext that she is not a resident of the northern Valleys. Wafa (January 30, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation forces hindered tens of Palestinian residents heading to their work places in the northern valleys from entering the area under the pretext that they are not residents of the area. Wafa (January 30, 2007).

Hebron

- The Israeli Occupation forces closed Al Talleh road that connects Hebron city Neighborhoods with the Ibrahimi Mosque and Hebron Old City. Residents of the area fear that Israel's closure to the Al Talleh road aims at creating a geographical link between the Israeli outposts around the city of Hebron with the settlements inside the Old City of Hebron. Al Quds (January 6, 2007).
- Israeli settlers form Susiya settlement located to southeast of yatta town south of Hebron city continued for the third day on row razing lands belonging to the families of An Nawaj'a, Al Hidar and Al Hellis for the construction of a bypass road that will link west of the Settlement with 150 dunums of lands which the settlers are planning to detach. The bypass road is expected to extend a length of more than one kilometer. It is worth

- mentioning that owners of the lands have been prevented from accessing their lands for the third year on row due to military orders that have been issued by the IOF preventing them to. Wafa (January 8, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation forces broke into the town of Dura south of Hebron city and attacked a number of houses belonging to 'Adnan Fayyad Al Suweti, Muhammad Islam Rezeq Abu Zneid and forced residents to evacuate the houses without pre-notification. The IOF also broke into 2 commercial stores belonging to Mahmoud Rayyan Al Sharawneh and broke the door entrances of the stores. Wafa (January 10, 2007).
 - An Israeli plan to establish a quarry named "Hanson" on 300 dunums of lands planted with Almonds in Um Al Shaqfan area southwest of Al Burj area northwest Ad Dhahriyeh town and belongs to Al Masharqa and Tbeish families. It is worth mentioning that Israel has been working for year to establish another Quarry in Torosous area on 450 dunums of lands belongs to Hajja and Al Talahmeh families. Wafa (January 9, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation soldiers have broken into the house of Naji Abu Khalaf Al-Ejel, in the old city of Hebron in the southern West Bank and attacked the house owner. Maan (January 18, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the garage of Rami Al Fallah for car repairs in Al Haras area north of Hebron City and carried an intensive search operation under the pretext of looking for weapons. Wafa (January 19, 2007).
 - Israeli soldiers manning the checkpoint located at the entrance of Al 'Arroub Technical college in Arroub refugee camp located north of the West Bank city of Hebron obstructed Palestinian students from attending their college after subjecting them to thorough inspection and forcing them to take off their clothes. Wafa (January 21, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the house of 'Ali Khaled Mur and carried out an intensive house search and caused damages to the properties. It is worth mentioning that during the last week, the IOF broke into Mr. 'Ali's house three times. Wafa (January 30, 2007).
 - More than 30 Israeli settlers broke into As Smou' town and tried to take over vast areas of lands in Widadi area southwest As Smou' town close to "Sham'a settlements. Lands belong to Abu 'Awwad Family and other families from the town and amount to an area of 1800 dunums of land. Wafa (January 31, 2007).

Nablus

- The Israeli Occupation authorities have replaced the Yitzhar checkpoint in southern Nablus, just a few days after they had removed it, as part of the easing of restrictions to Palestinian life announced by Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert in December. Palestinian Passengers were forced out of the cars into the rain for "extra screening". Maan (January 6, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces reinforced Huwwara checkpoint with modern electronic devices after constructing a cement wall on the southern side of the Checkpoint. Al Quds (January 11, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation forces razed confiscated 8 dunums of agricultural lands owned by Burin Village residents. The purpose of the razing activities hasn't been declared by the IOF. Wafa (January 15, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces erected one temporary checkpoint on the roadway to Nablus New Neighborhood southwest Nablus city and obstructed the movement of Palestinian residents heading to their destinations. Wafa (January 16, 2007). [Click here fore related cases](#)
- Israeli military forces broke into the home of PLC member Ahmad Al Haj Ali in the 'Ein Beit Al Ma' (No.1) refugee camp near Nablus, and searched it invasively, ransacking the property of the family. Maan (January 20, 2007).
- Occupying Israeli military forces have re-closed the checkpoint in the Al Bathan valley, north-east of Nablus in the northern West Bank. Israeli troops stopped hundreds of Palestinian citizens, who had earlier left the city, and prevented them from coming back through the checkpoint. Dozens of private vehicles, as well as public transport, were stuck at the barrier. The Israeli authorities have stated that the checkpoint is closed for 24 hours, for "security reasons". Maan (January 22, 2007).
- New Israeli procedure at Yitzar checkpoint south of Nablus city which prevents Palestinians from accessing the checkpoint on Foot. Wafa (January 23, 2007). [Click here fore related cases](#)
- Israeli Settlers from Alon Moreh, Yitzhar and Itamar broke into Prophet Yousif Shrine in Balata city east of Nablus city under the protection of Israeli Occupation soldiers (January 23, 2007).
- An Israeli Military order to confiscate 700 dunums of lands of 'Azmout and Deir Al Hatab Lands east of Nablus city. According to the military order, blocks numbered 2, 5, 8 and 10 in Deir Al Hatab and Blocks numbered 6, 7 and 10 from 'Azmout village are slated for confiscation. Al Quds (January 23, 2007).

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- Dozens of Israeli settlers, accompanied by Israeli soldiers, broke into a West Bank village of Awarta located between the Huwwara military camp and checkpoint south of the city of Nablus, and the illegal Israeli settlement of Itamar and attacked cemetery claiming that the cemetery contains Jewish shrines and damaged many gravestones in the cemetery. Israeli settlers also attacked the house of Jamil Sharab and damaged many windows of houses in the area. The settlers also attacked some cars parked nearby. Maan (January 24, 2007).
- Settlers from Itamar and Elizar settlements attacked 'Awarta village Grave yard south of Nablus city and caused damaged to the properties. Settlers also broke the windows of Jameel Sa'ed Sharab house and destroyed a number of Palestinian cars belonging to Raed Fat-hi Darawsheh, Niath Muhammad Niyath, Fares Qazah, Raed Sharab, Abdullah Sharab and Ahmad Sharab. Wafa (January 24, 2007).
- 13 Israeli military vehicles, with an advance guard of undercover Special Forces, invaded the city of Nablus in the north of the occupied West Bank and besieged ASI Fateh Building number 1 in Al-Ta'awun Street in the west of the city. Israeli soldiers also occupied a number of houses in the Al-Ma'ajin area and deployed snipers on the roofs. Maan (January 25, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation soldiers manning Huwwara checkpoint detained hundreds of Palestinian residents after closing the Pedestrian lanes leading to the city of Nablus for long hours. Residents were also subjected to thorough inspection. Wafa (January 27, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation soldiers erected a temporary checkpoint on the roadway between Al Far'a and Siris Villages north of Nablus city. Palestinian residents were subjected to thorough inspection at the checkpoint by the Israeli soldiers. Wafa (January 29, 2007). [Click here fore related cases](#)
- Israeli Occupation Forces continue closing checkpoint number 17 located on Nablus – Asira al Shamaliyeh roadway for the fourth month on row which is causing a great suffering to residents of the nearby villages such as Yaseed, 'Aseera Al Shamaliyia, Beit Umrin, Talouza, and Al Bathan. Wafa (January 29, 2007).
- The Israeli army is making changes to the Huwwara checkpoint, south of Nablus, in the north of the occupied West Bank. Israeli troops and bulldozers have been seen working in the area of the checkpoint, apparently in a move to expand it into a larger crossing point. The Israeli

- soldiers have erected further checkpoints before the main checkpoint. These new barriers prevent vehicles from advancing directly towards the checkpoint. In addition, the Israeli forces have built a large roundabout before the checkpoint from the southern (Ramallah) side. Maan (January 30, 2007).
- Hundreds of Palestinian residents and vehicles were detained at a temporary checkpoint erected by the Israeli Occupation forces on Al Bathan roadway north of Nablus city. Residents were forced to wait for hours under the rain and were subjected to thorough inspection by the Israeli soldiers. Wafa (January 30, 2007). [Click here fore related cases](#)
 - Israeli occupation forces bombed the house of Abu El 'Abed El Ratroot in Hiteen Street in Nablus Old city. Wafa (January 31, 2007).

Salfit

- Israeli Occupation forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the northern entrance of Bruqin village west of Salfit city and detain tens of Palestinian cars for inspection. Wafa (January 21, 2007). [Click here for related cases](#)
- Israeli Occupation Forces continue closing Iron Gate number 48, located north of Mas-ha village west of Salfit city and prevents Palestinian farmers from accessing their lands segregated behind the path of the Segregation Wall. Wafa (January 22, 2007).

Jenin

- Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the house of Rami Al Shayeb and torn the furniture of the house. Al Quds (January 6, 2007).
- Israeli forces have erected several checkpoints in Jenin; Az Zababda village in southern Jenin, the Aqqaba village entrance in northern Tubas and the 'Anza village entrance, southwest of Jenin. Maan (January 8, 2007).
- An Israeli order to establish a military base on lands that have been occupied by Sanur Settlement which was evacuated in August 2005 along with three other Israeli settlements in the north and 21 Israeli settlements in the Gaza Strip. Not forgetting to mention that owners of the lands

- weren't allowed to access their lands even after the settlements were evacuated. Al Quds (January 10, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the house of Shiekh Khalid Al-Haj, in the city of Jenin in the north of the occupied West Bank and confiscated his personal computer. Maan (January 11, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation Forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the southern entrance of Qabatya town, south of Jenin city and obstructed the movement of Palestinians heading to their destinations. Wafa (January 14, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation forces erected two temporary checkpoints in Jenin city, the first close to Haddad Resort east of Jenin city while the second was erected on the roadway between Qabatya and Az Zabadeh cities southeast Jenin city. The IOF also erected three other temporary checkpoints, one at the entrance of 'Arraba town, the other on the roadway between 'Arraba town and Fahmeh village while the third one on the road way between 'Arraba town and Marka village. Wafa (January 14, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation Forces besieged the Mosques of Abu Thur Al Ghufari located in the southern part of Kafr Ra'i village southwest of Jenin city and another Mosque in the northern part of the village and subjected Palestinian Prayers to thorough search. Wafa (January 15, 2007).
 - Israeli Authorities postponed the construction of the Segregation Wall between Barta'a Ash Sharqiyeh village and Barta'a Al Gharbiyeh until further solutions to its path in that specific area are found. Wafa (January 16, 2007).
 - Israeli Occupation forces erected a temporary checkpoint at the eastern entrance of Ya'bad village west of Jenin city. Wafa (January 24, 2007).

Tulkarem

- The Israeli police have issued a number of fines to Palestinian vehicles driving on Al Kafriyat – Tulkarem Roadway for no reason. Wafa (January 6, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the house of Jamal Abu Shanab and carried an intensive house search and destroyed some of the properties. Wafa (January 7, 2007).

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- Israeli Occupation forces invaded northern Tulkarem, in the north of the West Bank and confiscated cars owned by 48 Palestinians which were undergoing repairs. Maan (January 9, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces broke into a store for selling Paints owned by Munther Jizmawi and destroyed its properties. Al Quds (January 10, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation Forces staged into the north-western neighbourhood of Tulkarm city and broke into the house of Firas Khashan and carried out an intensive house search. Wafa (January 14, 2007).
- The Israeli police have randomly issued dozens of fines to Palestinian vehicles which were stopped at a temporary checkpoint that was erected by the police at saddet Rameen area, Innab checkpoint, and Al Lada'en area. Wafa (January 15, 2007).
- Israeli military forces have tightened their siege measures against towns and villages, north of the city of Tulkarem, and erected two martial barriers at the crossroads between Qaffin and An Nazla al Gharbiya and obstructed the movement of the Palestinian citizens in that area, and searched them, as well as their cars and buses, invasively. Maan (January 21, 2007).
- Israeli occupation forces raided the refugee camp and the city of Tulkarem, in the occupied Palestinian West Bank, in addition to Thinnaba, southeast of the city, and launched a widespread search campaign. Maan (January 24, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation forces continue hindering Palestinian farmers from Ar Ras village south of Tulkarem from accessing their lands segregated behind the Segregation Wall. The IOF are also imposing serious conditions on Palestinian farmers as to make things difficult for them to access their lands isolated behind the wall. Among the condition, the IOF ask for topographic maps of the lands isolated behind the wall in addition to documents of land ownership and permits issued from the Israeli civil administration that allow them to access their lands. Not forgetting to mention that only 10% of the total population of Ar Ras village has permits from the Israeli Civil Administration that allow them to access their lands while the remaining population have no access to their isolated lands. Wafa (January 26, 2007).

Gaza

- Israeli Occupation forces demanded resident Ibrahim Jum'a in Al Tuwam area north of Gaza city to evacuate his house preparing for shelling it. The IOF gave Mr. Jum'a a period of half an hour to evacuate from the house. Wafa (January 9, 2007).
- Israeli Occupation bulldozers started razing Palestinian agricultural lands close to erez crossing in Beit Hanoun city north of the Gaza Strip in an attempt to expand the area of the crossing. Wafa (January 21, 2007).

Others

- Arieh Eldad, a medical professor and a member of Knesset since 2003, as well as a founder of 'HaEhud HaLeumi' ('The Nationalist Union'), a secular, right-wing political movement intends to establish a racist globalized youth organization to expatriate all Palestinians to Jordan. Maan (January 9, 2007).
- The Israeli regional court of Jerusalem has endorsed a warrant which obliges the Israeli Civil Administration, in charge of the West Bank's affairs, to hand out cartographies which show the borders of the Palestinian-owned lands in the West Bank. These maps are to be handed to the Israeli movements 'Peace Now' and 'Freedom of Information.' The warrant declared that the Civil Administration must submit copies of the destruction orders of Palestinian houses and disseminate maps that show the exact borders of Israeli settlements. Maan (January 10, 2007).
- Israeli Land Authority and Ministry of Interior destroyed 21 houses in the unrecognized Bedouin village of Twayyil Abu Jarwal and 4 tents situated near the city of Beer Sheva in the Negev desert in southern Israel. It is also reported that during the past several months, houses were destroyed in this village on 4 different occasions. On 6 December, 17 other houses belonging to the Al Talalka family and 3 barracks were also destroyed. Maan (January 10, 2007).
- The Israeli interior ministry has announced that the number of Jewish settlers in the West Bank increased last year by 6% amounting to 268,000 settlers. The number does not include tens of thousands of settlers in areas of occupied Jerusalem. Numbers of settlers in the West Bank increased due to 8,000 settlers being evacuated from the Gaza Strip under Sharon's

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'disengagement agreement,' which was implemented in September 2005. Ma'ale Adummim and Modi'in Ilit settlements near Jerusalem and Ramallah, respectively, are the territories which witnessed the largest boost to settler figures. Maan (January 10, 2007).

- The Israeli army decided to postpone the implementation of the order prohibiting Israelis and foreign nationals from transporting Palestinians in the West Bank in their vehicles without special permission. On November 19th, the Israeli Commanding General for the Central Region, Yair Naveh, issued an unprecedented decree forbidding Israelis and foreign nationals from driving Palestinians in the West Bank in Israeli-plated cars. The order was due to come into effect on Friday, 19 January. Maan (January 17, 2007).
- Israeli Authorities demolished a 200 square meters area house and a commercial store belonging to Abu Muhareb family in the unrecognized village of Wadi An Ni'im. Not forgetting to mention that the house is a shelter to 8 family members which also are supported by the demolished store. Wafa (January 16, 2007).
- Israel is apparently making preparations for the unilateral disengagement from some areas of the West Bank, which pave the way for the removal of a few thousand of the half a million settlers living in the Palestinian territories, despite Olmert's statements dismissing the plan some months ago. Maariv (January 21, 2007).
- Israeli Authorities issues warnings to demolish 100 Arab houses in the unrecognized village of Kaseefeh in Negev which belong to Al Nasasreh Clan. Wafa (January 29, 2007).

Governorate	Land Confiscated (Dunum)	Land Threatened (Dunum)	Uprooted Trees	Houses Demolished	Houses Threatened to be demolished
Bethlehem	0	23348	0	2	15
Jerusalem	4.5	0	0	13	0
Jenin	0	0	0	0	0
Tulkarem	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	708	0	0	1	0
Salfit	0	0	0	0	0

Jericho	0	0	0	4	0
Gaza	0	0	0	0	1
Qalqilyia	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	0	2700	0	0	0
Tubas	0	0	0	0	1
Total	712.5	26048	0	20	17

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