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Gaza Strip

- The Israeli Occupation Army took over residential buildings and houses in 'Izbit Abed Rabbu east of Jabalya town and turned them into military posts after forcing dwellers to stay in one room. Wafa (Mar 1, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces shelled on Kamal Odwan Hospital in Beit Lahya town north of the Gaza Strip. Wafa (Mar 1, 2008)
- The Israeli Occupation Army destroyed the house of 'Asila family in 'Asela area east of Jabalya town. Wafa (Mar 1, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army notified resident Ma'moun Abu 'Amir by phone to evacuate his house in Khan Yunis city preparing it for demolition. Quds (Mar 1, 2008).
- The IOF demolished the house of Basam Dardouna east of Dwar Al Qarm area north of Gaza city. Quds (Mar 1, 2008).
- The IOF destroyed two workshops owned by Sha'ban family in Al Zaytoun neighborhood west of Gaza city. Quds (Mar 1, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Army partially demolished the house of 'Abed El Karim Khala east of Jabalya town, causing severe damages to the properties. Quds (Mar 1, 2008).
- The Israeli Army notified residents Abu 'Ala Al Ja'beer and Al Razayneh family by phone to evacuate their houses preparing them for demolition. Houses are located in Beit Lahya and Jabalya towns. Quds (Mar 1, 2008).
- The IOF destroyed the house of Martyr Khalil Abu Ahl in Al Shata' refugee camp west of Gaza city. Quds (Mar 1, 2008).
- The Israeli Army opened fire on Palestinian houses and properties west of Gaza city, causing damages and loses. Wafa (Mar 2, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces demolished the second floor of a two-storey house in Tal Al Za'tar area north of the Strip owned by Shamaly family. Wafa & Quds (Mar 2, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army constructed earth mounds in Jabal Al Kashif area east of Jabalya refugee camp north of Gaza Strip. Wafa (Mar 2, 2008).
- The Israeli Army threatened to demolish Al Barawy Burj in Jabalya Street north of the Strip and asked residents to evacuate it immediately. In addition, the IOF notified resident Rami Al Za'anin in Beit Hanun town of their intention to demolish his house. Quds (Mar 2, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces completely demolished the house of Midhat 'Atta Allah in Al Nafaq Street north of Gaza city. Quds (Mar 2, 2008).
- The IOF destroyed a lethal workshop in Al Sahaba Street in the middle of Gaza city and caused damages to the nearby houses. Wafa (Mar 3, 2008).
- The IOF demolished the house of 'Abed El Rahman 'Atta Allah in Al Yarmouk neighborhood north of Gaza city. Quds (Mar 3, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army demolished two houses in 'Abasan Al Jadeda and Bani Suhaila towns in Khan Yunis city. Among the owners, the following was known: Khalid Abu 'Anza. Quds (Mar 3, 2008).

- The IOF destroyed a carpentry workshop in Yibna refugee camp west of Rafah governorate owned by Abu Tah family. Quds (Mar 3, 2008).
- The IOF destroyed three lethal workshops and one carpentry shop owned by 'Abed El 'Al family in Zu'rub area in Rafah, Al Batran family in Jabalya refugee camp, Abu Habal family in Tal Al Za'tar north of the Strip and Muhammad Yousef Shabat in Beit Hanun. Quds (Mar 4, 2008).
- A lethal workshop was demolished by the IOF in Jaffa Street north of Gaza city. Quds (Mar 4, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces staged into Abu Hadaf area north of Al Qarara town and surrounded the house of Al Sumeiry family under the pretext of looking for wanted Palestinian people. Wafa (Mar 4, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army opened fire at Palestinian houses east of Al Maghazi refugee camp in the middle of Gaza Strip and caused damages to the houses. Wafa (Mar 4, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation troops opened fire at the Palestinian houses and properties in Jabal Al Rees area northeast of Al Tufah neighborhood east of Gaza city, causing loses to the properties. Wafa (Mar 5, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces shelled on Palestinian houses east of Jabalya town north of the Strip, causing damages to the walls and windows. Wafa (Mar 5, 2008).
- The Palestinian Ministry of Labor announced that the last incursion into the Gaza Strip by the Israeli Occupation Army caused the complete demolition of 26 Palestinian houses in Al Tufah neighborhood and east of Jabalya town in addition to three buildings related to the Palestinian Ministry of Interior and 10 workshops. In Al Zaytoun neighborhood, Tal Al Hawa, Al Bureij refugee camp and in Beit Lahya town, the IOF completely demolished 10 Palestinian houses along with 500 others which were partially demolished. Quds (Mar 5, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army in Kisufim military base opened fire at Palestinian houses northeast of Al Qarara town north of Khan Yunis, causing panic to residents and damages to properties. Wafa (Mar 6, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Forces based at Kisufim military base shelled on Palestinian houses in Al Qarara town northeast of Khan Yunis governorate and caused damages to the properties. The house of Martyr Zakariya Al 'Emaoy received some shelling. Wafa (Mar 9, 2008).
- The IOF shelled on a Palestinian house in Tal Al Za'tar area north of the Gaza Strip and caused severe loses to the properties. Wafa (Mar 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army shelled on the southern entrance of Beit Hanun town causing severe damages to the electricity network. Quds (Mar 11, 2008).
- The IOF notified resident Khaled 'Isaleh of their intention to demolish his two-storey house in Jabal Al Kashif area east of Jabalya town. Wafa (Mar 11, 2008).
- Israel is planning to construct 236 kilometers fence on the Israeli- Egyptian borders at an estimated cost of NIS 1.4 Millard. Part of the fence (about 84 km) will be equipped with electronic sensors. Moheet (Mar 17, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers staged into the Bedouin village north of Beit Lahya town and razed vast areas of agricultural lands. Wafa (Mar 26, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army centered in Megan military base on the eastern part of the Gaza Strip and opened fire at Palestinian houses in Al Maghazi refugee camp in the center of the Strip and caused severe damages. Wafa (Mar 27, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished three houses owned by Hisham, Naser and Yasir Abu Mudaf in Abu Al 'Ajeen area east of Al Qarara town along with a poultry farm owned by Abu Shamas family; in addition, the IOF razed more than 50 dunums of lands planted with Olives which belong to al Qadra, Mhana and Khashan families. Maan News (Mar 27, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers razed vast areas of lands planted with field crops in Al Farahin area east of Khan Yunis city. Wafa (Mar 31, 2008).

Bethlehem

- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the house of Hussein 'Ali Khader Salah in Al Khader town west of Bethlehem city and aggressed on the owner and his son. Quds (Mar 1, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army staged into the old town of Al Khader south of Bethlehem city and searched houses and dynamited entrances under the pretext of looking for wanted Palestinian people. Maan News (Mar 4, 2008).
- The IOF demolished the two-storey house of Muhammad Shehada in Wadi Em 'Ali area in Bethlehem city after forcing dwellers to evacuate it under the threat of weapon. In addition, the IOF partially demolished the house of Essam Al Shaer in Al Saf Street. Wafa & Quds (Mar 7, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces closed the southern entrance of Al Khader village (Al Nashash) with an Iron Gate. Wafa (Mar 13, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army staged into Tequ' village south of Bethlehem city and took over several numbers of houses and turned them into military sites. Among the owners, the following was known: Hussein Hassan Suleiman. Maan News (Mar 14, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces staged into Bethlehem city and surrounded the houses near the Palestinian headquarter. Wafa (Mar 18, 2008).
- The Israeli settlers of Eli'zer settlement constructed a 100 m² house on lands of Muneir Hussein Musa in an attempt to construct an outpost on his 14 dunums lands located in Al Dahr area in Al Khader village. PNN (Mar 18, 2008).
- The IOF broke into the house of Al Hirami family in Al Saf Street and demolished furniture and properties. Maan news (Mar 19, 2008).
- New Israeli plan to construct new neighborhood in Efrat settlement composed of 54 new housing units and a theme park. Quds (Mar 22, 2008).

- The Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak approved the construction of 80 new housing units between in the area between Eli'zer settlement and Derech Ha'avot outpost in the Gush Etzion bloc of settlement. In addition, the regional Planning and Construction Committee at Jerusalem Municipality approved the rezoning of land from agricultural and industrial to residential. Haaretz & Quds (Mar 23, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army closed all checkpoints located between Ramallah and Bethlehem Governorates barring Palestinian movement. The IOF also erected temporary checkpoints and detained Palestinians for hours. PNN (Mar 25, 2008).
- Israeli settlers of Efrat settlement uprooted more than 170 Olive trees in Khalayeil Al Luz area south of Bethlehem city. Lands belong to Swesat, 'Ilian, Rayan, Barakh, Abu Swai, Hwais and Sanad families. ARIJ (Mar 26, 2008).
- The IOF invaded Dar Salah town east of Bethlehem city and searched the houses of Qasim, Kamil & Khalil Isma'il Mubarak, Ibrahim & Muhammad Hussein Mubarak, Saleh Ibrahim Mubarak and Muhammad Musa Mubarak and destroyed furniture and properties. Maan News (Mar 27, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces staged into Al Balu' area in Al Khader town south of Bethlehem city and surrounded the house of Muhammad Hussein Salah under the pretext of looking for wanted Palestinian people. Wafa (Mar 27, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army invaded Al Saf Street and Wadi Em 'Ali area in Bethlehem city and searched the house of Mubarak family after forcing all residents to leave the houses. Quds (Mar 28, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces staged into Al 'Asakra village southeast of Bethlehem city and surrounded the house of Fuad Khalil 'Ali. Wafa (Mar 31, 2008).
- The Israeli government agreed to unfreeze the construction of 800 housing units in Betar 'Illit settlement southwest of Bethlehem city which were scheduled to be constructed in October 2006. Haaretz (Mar 31, 2008).

Qalqilyah

- The Israeli Occupation Army closed the main entrance of Hijja village east of Qalqilyah city with barbed wires and prevented Palestinian access in and out of the village. The village of Hijia is the gateway to Al Kafriat road that links the northern West Bank with its southern. Wafa (Mar 6, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces manning 'Azun 'Attma Iron Gate aggressed on Palestinian residents and hindered them from accessing the village. Quds (Mar 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished a 100 m² barracks owned by Harba Tayaiha in 'Izbet Al Tabeb village east of Qalqiliya city under the pretext of being unlicensed. Wafa (Mar 11, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces invaded Qalqilyah city, searched Al Emam Mosque in the city and some commercial stores and houses of Nael Baghdady, Muhammad 'Attiya, Iyad Ibtly and Hikmat Darwish Abu 'Athba, destroying entrances and causing damages to the properties. Wafa (Mar 12, 2008).
- New Israeli plan to construct 288 new housing units in ElKana settlement. Jpost (Mar 12, 2008).
- The IOF broke into the Islamic college in Qalqiliya city, dynamited entrances and caused damages to the properties. Quds (Mar 13, 2008).
- The IOF staged into 'Arab Al Ramadin Al Shamali isolated behind the Israeli Segregation wall path in Qalqilyah city and demolished two tents owned by 'Abed Allah Saed Hassan Al Ramasin and his son Adel. In addition, the IOF demolished a store for agricultural equipments owned by 'Abed El Halim Al Ja'dedi at the northern entrance of Qalqiliya city. Quds (Mar 14, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation authorities hindered a Palestinian company from working on the 7 kilometers road of Beit Amin- Habla south of Qalqilyah which connects Qalqilyah city with the villages in the south and also connects the governorate with the other Palestinian governorates in the center and north of the West Bank. Quds (Mar 20, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation troops staged into Qalqilyah city and surrounded the houses of Taleb Al Silmi, Khaled Al Silmi, 'Azmi Al Hijawy and Al Saman family. In addition, the IOF invaded 'Azun town village east of Qalqilyia city and broke into the house of Essam Hadoun causing loses and damages. Wafa (Mar 25, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces closed the Iron Gate constructed at 'Azun 'Attma village entrance south of Qalqiliya city and hindered villagers access. Wafa (Mar 25, 2008).
- The IOF staged into 'Azun town east of Qalqilyah Governorate and aggressed on the houses of Saher Othman Al Shilo and Yousef Salam 'Abed Allah Salim causing loses to the properties. Wafa (Mar 27, 2008).

Jericho

• The Israeli settlers aggressed on Palestinian cars in Wadi El Qalt area in Jericho governorate. Wafa & Quds (Mar 7, 2008).

Ramallah

- The Israeli Occupation Army staged into 'Ajjul village near Ramallah and searched Palestinian houses. Wafa (Mar 26, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces invaded Palestinian villages and towns of Beir Zeit, Deir Abu Msh'al, Al Nabi Saleh, Rafat and Al Judera in Ramallah Governorate and carried out a house to house search campaign. Wafa (Mar 27, 2008).
- The Israeli Civil Administration agreed on constructing new neighborhood "Ramat Mod'in" in Mod'in 'Illit settlement composed of 78 housing units. Yom Chadash (Mar 31, 2008).

Salfit

• The IOF staged into Marda village north of Salfit and took over the three-storey house of Ghazi Zaki Al Khufash and turned it into military post. Wafa (Mar 11, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Army hindered Palestinian landowners from accessing their agricultural lands isolated behind the Segregation Wall path in Salfit city; at the same time, IOF allowed settlers of Ariel settlement to graze their sheep in the lands. Quds (Mar 17, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army manning the Iron Gates on the Segregation Wall path continued barring Palestinian landowners from Mas-ha, Deir Ballut and Al Zawiya villages from reaching their agricultural lands behinds the Wall's path. Wafa (Mar 27, 2008).
- The Israeli Prime Minster Ehud Olmert agreed on constructing 48 new housing units in Ariel settlement in an attempt to settle evacuee's of Gush Qatif. Haaretz & Arabs48 (Mar 31, 2008).

Tubas

- The Israeli Occupation Forces cut off water pipes from Palestinian agricultural lands in Al Farisiya area in the northern valleys, causing damages. Wafa (Mar 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished four barracks and four animal sheds in Al Hadidiya hamlet east of Tubas city which belong to Muhammad Fahed Bani Odeh, Muhammad 'Ali Bani Odeh, 'Ali Muhammad Mifleh Bani Odeh and Omar 'Aref Muhammad Bisharat. Wafa & Quds (Mar 11, 2008).
- The Israeli Civil Administration and the Israeli Ministry of Water cut off water supply from Al Farisya and 'Ein Kashik areas under the pretext that residents misuse water springs in the area. Quds (Mar 12, 2008).
- The Israeli Forces invaded Al 'Aqaba village east of Tubas city and closed the northern entrance of the village hindering residents from accessing it. In addition, the Israeli Occupation Forces handed out residents of the village military warnings to demolish a kinder garden, to stop the constriction of Salim Muhammad Jaber house and to stop the erection of an agricultural road in the village. Wafa & Al 'Aqaba village council (Mar 13, 2008).

- The IOF demolished five barracks in Furush Beit Dajan in the northern valleys which belong to Shihda Ibrahim Abu 'Awad and his son Muhammad, Gabriel Muhammad Hassan Saray'a and his brother. Quds (Mar 14, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army staged into Al Far'a refugee camp, searched a number of houses and societies and caused damages to the properties. Wafa (Mar 18, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities handed out resident Fayez Hamed Daraghma a military warning to evacuate his house and properties in Yirza village east of Tubas city due to its location in an area classified as closed military area. Quds (Mar 24, 2008).
- The IOF closed Tayaseer checkpoint in Tubas governorate and barred Palestinian access. Wafa (Mar 26, 2008).

Jerusalem

- Part of Hakuret Al Sabra area behind Al 'Atarin Market in the old city of Jerusalem was destroyed due to the excavation activities carried out by the Israeli settlers in the area. Area where excavations are takeing place belongs to the Islamic Waqf. Quds (Mar 1, 2008).
- Israeli Jerusalem Municipality Court decided to freeze the demolition of Jamal 'Abed El Mohsin Abu Daoud (175 m²) house in Al 'Isawiya town for being unlicensed. Quds (Mar 3, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces hindered Palestinian workers from working inside Al Aqsa Mosque yard. Wafa (Mar 4, 2008).
- Employees of the Jewish company "Developing East Jerusalem" started working on the infrastructures in 'Ein Silwan Street in Silwan neighbourhood. It is worth mentioning that Palestinian families in Al Bustan area received lately military warnings to demolish their houses. Quds (Mar 4, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities completed the connection between the Walling Wall and Isaac Tent south of Al Wad Street in the old city. Quds (Mar 7, 2008).
- The Israeli settlers opened fire at Palestinian commercial stores in Al Suwwana neighborhood in Jerusalem city. Quds (Mar 7, 2008).
- A Group of Israeli settler's set fire in Al Sakina gate, one of the gates of Al Aqsa Mosque in the western side. Quds (Mar 8, 2008).
- The Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert has approved the construction of 750 new housing units in Agan Ayelot neighborhood in Giv'at Zeev settlement northwest of Jerusalem city. Haaretz & Quds (Mar 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Minister of Housing and Construction announced about new tenders to construct 2000 new housing units in a number of settlements in the West Bank including Jerusalem. Table below illustrates the distribution of housing units to Israeli settlements.

Settlement	Units			
Giv'at Zeev	750			
Pisgat Zeev	750			
Har Homa	360			
Ma'aleh Adumim	52			
Alkana	52			
Efrat	80			

Yetnews (Mar 10, 2008)

- Jerusalem Municipality plans to build 400 new Housing units in the eastern part of Jerusalem city, in Neve Yaccov settlement. Haaretz (Mar 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Government registered more than 120 Jewish owned properties in the Jewish Quarter in the old city of Jerusalem to the Israeli Land Administration. More than 600 other properties located east of Jerusalem to be registered too. Haaretz (Mar 11, 2008).
- The Israeli Shas party gave blessings to a project to build 800 new housing units in Kidmat Zion neighborhood east of Jerusalem city near Abu Dis neighborhood. Jpost (Mar 12, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Forces demolished the 250 m² under construction house owned by Na'im Ahmad Hassan 'Elayan in Al 'Isawiya town for not being licensed. Quds (Mar 12, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into several numbers of Palestinian houses in Jabal Al Mukabbir and destroyed properties. Quds (Mar 13, 2008).
- The Israeli right wing activists threaten to demolish the house of 'Ala' Abu Idhaim in Jabal Al Mukabbir in Jerusalem. Quds (Mar 14, 2008).
- New Israeli plan holding number (Taba- 5834 thousand) to construct 2337 new housing units out of 4000 units Israel announced about at earlier time of this year on 411 dunums of lands in Giv'at Hamatos settlement east of Beit Safafa town south of Jerusalem. Some of the residential buildings will be composed of five floors and some others of eighteen. Quds (Mar 15, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities agreed on constructing 48 new housing units in Ariel settlement after freezing their construction in November 2007. In addition, the IOA proposed adding 89 housing units to Ma'ale Adumim settlement, 32 others in each of Bitar 'Illit, Sh'are Tikva and ElKana settlements. Quds & PNN (Mar 17, 2008).
- A group of Israeli settlers aggressed on Palestinian houses and cars in Al Farouq neighborhood at the entrance of Jabal Al Mukabbir area owned by Raed & Fathi Abu Al Dab'at, Mahmoud Radwan and Mahmoud Al Qaq. Quds (Mar 17, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces invaded Al 'Ezariya town east of Jerusalem city and broke into a body building club, searched the place and caused damages to the properties. Quds (Mar 18, 2008).
- The Israeli Supreme Court issued an order to stop excavation works taking place under the 900 m² property of Ahmad Siyam in Wad Hilweh area in Silwan neighborhood by the Israeli Ministry of Antiques and Al 'Ad committee. Quds (Mar 18, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished the 150 m² house of Sa'ed 'Arman Sa'adeh and the house of Ahmad Yousef Al Nunu in Hizma village northeast of Jerusalem city under the pretext of being located in Area C. In addition, the IO bulldozers demolished the house of Fawzi Mahmoud Rabi' Ka'abneh in Al Jeeb village west of Jerusalem city due to its location within the path of the Israeli Segregation Wall path. Quds (Mar 20, 2008).
- Jerusalem Municipality handed out resident Haroun 'Ali Hassan 'Ibedat in Al Farouq neighborhood in Jabal Al Mukabbir a military warning to demolish his house for not being licensed. Quds (Mar 21, 2008).
- A group of Israeli settlers from 'Ateret Kohanim committee took over a Palestinian commercial store owned by Wisal Al Arnaout located at the Dung Gate in the old city of Jerusalem. Quds (Mar 21, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities inaugurated new road that connects Biddu and Al Jeeb villages northwest of Jerusalem with a total cost of NIS 80 millions. Quds (Mar 24, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities broke into the store of Walid Al Zarba in Al Wad Street in the old city of Jerusalem and confiscated some electronic devices under the prtext of not paying taxes (Arnona). Quds (Mar 26, 2008).
- The Public Security Ministry spokesman Sari Barak announced that the new Israeli Police headquarter in the E-1 will be inaugurated on Monday. Jpost (Mar 27, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities announced about the construction of 813 new housing units in Giv'at Hamatos settlement under plan number (Taba- 5834 thousand) on 415 dunums of lands. This plan is divided into four sections: (A) to construct 2337 units, (B) 813 units, (C): 549 units and (D): 1100 rooms in Hotels to be constructed west of Hebron road and south of Eged Bus station. Quds (Mar 29, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army closed "Beit Hanina" road which is the only road leading to Al Nabi Samuel village. PNN (Mar 31, 2008).

• The Israeli municipality of Jerusalem approved the construction of 600 new housing units in Pisgat Ze'ev settlement, east of the 1949 Armistice Line (Green Line) as part of the plan to construct 40,000 units in the area. Haaretz & Arabs48 (Mar 31, 2008).

Hebron

- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the house of 'Ezzat Al Natsheh in Al Salam Street in Hebron city and forced all dwellers to leave the house; in addition, the IOA erected two temporary checkpoints in Kharsa village and at Halhul bridge and prevented Palestinian access. Wafa (Mar 1, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation troops invaded Al 'Aroub refugee camp north of Hebron city, searched houses and damaged properties after forcing dwellers to evacuate their houses under the threat of weapons. Wafa (Mar 4, 2008).
- The IOF took over the houses of Badran 'Awad and Jamal Hussein Al 'Alama each composed of two floors in Beit Ummar town north of Hebron city and turned them into military posts. Wafa (Mar 4, 2008).
- For the third day on row, the Israeli Occupation Forces invaded Al 'Aroub refugee camp north of Hebron city and aggressed on Palestinian houses, causing severe loses to the properties. Wafa (Mar 5, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces aggressed on stores related to the Islamic Charity Committee in Al Harayiq area south of Hebron city and confiscated all storage after dynamiting entrances and walls. Wafa (Mar 6, 2008).
- The IOF took over the house of Ahmad Yunis Abu 'Ayash in Beit Ummar town north of the city and turned it into military site; in addition, other houses in Dura town southwest of Hebron governorate were occupated. Wafa (Mar 9, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army invaded Damra, Al Hawouz, Ras Al Jura, Wad Abu Katila and Qarn Al Thur neighborhoods in Hebron city and searched Palestinian cars. Wafa (Mar 11, 2008).

- The IOF broke into the house of Naser Al Rajaby in Jabal Jouhar east of Hebron city along with another two houses owned by Taleb and Nathmi Al Jamal in Abu Sneineh neighborhood causing damages to the properties. Wafa (Mar 13, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces attacked several Palestinian shepherds while they were grazing their sheep in their lands in Khourba valley in Hebron. IMEMC (Mar 14, 2008).
- Israeli settlers accompanied by the IOF barred Palestinian landowners from accessing their 500 dunums of lands near Karmel settlement east of Yatta town. Lands belong to: 'Abed Al Hathalin, Muhammad Issa Abu Himad, Salman Shihda Abu Himad, Badr Far'esh and brothers, Odeh & 'Awad Shatat and the families of Shathran, Daoud, Abu 'Abed and 'Awad. Wafa (Mar 16, 2008).
- The IOF invaded Al Fuwwar refugee camp south of Hebron city and searched the houses of Yousef Husseny Shalon, Yousef Rizqa Al Ra'i, Yasir Al Ra'i and Munther 'Abed El Hadi Al Qasas. Wafa (Mar 18, 2008).
- The IOF erected temporary checkpoint in Beit 'Enoun area connecting Sa'er town with Hebron city and detained residents for hours. Quds (Mar 18, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation troops invaded Deir Samit village southwest of Hebron city and searched the houses of Muhammad and Odeh Khalil Odeh. Wafa (Mar 19, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished six houses along with tents and animal sheds in Imneizl, Al Sirat and Faqaqis hamlets east of Yatta town turning them into heaps of rubbles. Houses belong to Isma'il Ibrahim Al 'Adra (80 m²), Yasir Muhammad Al 'Adra (Two- storey house), Ibrahim Nu'man Abu 'Aram, 'Abed El 'Aziz Na'amin, Ibrahim Khalil Abu Qabita and 'Abed Salameh Rashid. Wafa (Mar 19, 2008).
- The Israeli settlers occupying Al Rajabi building east of Hebron city aggressed on Palestinian houses and stores in Wadi Al Hasin, Wadi Al Nasara and Al Ras areas in the city causing damages and loses; in

- addition, settlers forced Palestinian owners to close their commercial stores located nearby the occupied building. Quds (Mar 22, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers destroyed hundreds of dunums of lands in Al Burj, Deir Al 'Asal Al Tahta & Al Fuqa, Al Majd and Sika villages southwest of Hebron Governorate near the 1949 Armistice Line (Green Line) to erect "Trans Israel road". Wafa (Mar 23, 2008).
- The Israeli settlers aggressed on Palestinian houses in Tel Al Rumeida neighborhood in the old city of Hebron causing panic and fear to residents and damaging properties. Wafa (Mar 24, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces staged into Dura town south of Hebron and searched the houses of Fawzi Muhammad Abu 'Atwan, Muhammad 'Amr and 'Abed Allah 'Amr. Wafa (Mar 24, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into Hebron Charity house for orphanages in Dwarban area in Hebron city and caused loses. Quds (Mar 24, 2008).
- The IOF broke into Al Huriya and Siraj Radio Stations in Hebron city and confiscated computers and documents. Maan News (Mar 24, 2008).
- The Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak approved the transfer of five caravans to the settlement of Teneh Omarim south of Hebron to settle Israeli evacuees from the Gush Qatif settlement of Morag in the Gaza Strip. Haaretz & Quds (Mar 26, 2008).
- The IOF searched several numbers of houses in Al Mintar area northeast of Yatta town and destroyed properties. Among owners, the following were known: Kamal Ahmad 'Abed El Kamil Abu Zahra, Fadel 'Ali 'Abed Allah Abu 'Ali, Mahmoud Salim Rashid, Ahmad Jaber Bahis and Ahmad Shihada Abu Zahra. Wafa (Mar 26, 2008).
- Israeli settlers of Havat Ma'on aggressed on Palestinian shepherds and their sheep's in Al Tuwani village south of Hebron city. IMEMC (Mar 27, 2008).
- The IOF broke into the house of Shihab Al Natsha in Al Salam Street in Hebron city, searched the house after forcing all dwellers to evacuate it. In addition, the Israeli troops broke into a commercial store owned by Kamil

- 'Ali Al Huroub in Kharas town and destroyed products. Wafa (Mar 27, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into Hebron Charity house for orphanages in Al Salam Street in Hebron city and confiscated properties. Quds (Mar 30, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces closed the main entrances of Beit Ummar town and Al 'Aroub refugee camp and hindered access into and out of the two communities. Wafa (Mar 31, 2008)

Tulkarm

- The Israeli Occupation troops invaded the eastern neighborhood of Tulkarm city and searched houses, causing damages to the properties. In addition, the IOF erected temporary checkpoint on the main entrance of Al Jarushiya town north of Tulkarm city and prevented resident's access. Wafa (Mar 3, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces invaded Nablus Street and the western neighborhood of Tulkarm city along with the villages of Beit Lid and Zeita and searched Palestinian houses. Among the owners, the following was known: Jamel Zebady. Wafa (Mar 11, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities staged into Jubara town in Tulkarm city and handed residents Fuad Muhammad Taher Omar and Akram Mahmoud Omar military warnings holding numbers (121325) and (121324) to stop the construction at their houses. Jubara village council (Mar 11, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished the house of Yousef 'Abed Allah Hamad in Seida town north of Tulkarm city. Wafa (Mar 12, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities handed resident Yousef 'Ali Mas'oud Bderat in Al Ras village south of Tulkarm city military order # (216/03) to demolish his two-storey house trapped inside the path of the Israeli Segregation Wall. Mr. Yousif was given three days to evacuate his house claiming that the house is close to the wall's path and therefore must be demolished. Wafa (Mar 17, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation troops invaded Qaffin town north of Tulkarm city and searched the house of Walid Muhammad Sabah causing loses and damages to the properties under the pretext of looking for wanted Palestinian people. Maan news (Mar 19, 2008).
- The IOF invaded the western neighborhood of Qaffin town north of Tulkarem Governorate under heavy barrage of gunfire and carried out a house to house search. Wafa (Mar 25, 2008).
- The IOF staged into Qaffin town north of Tulkarm city and searched tens of Palestinian houses. Quds (Mar 26, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army aggressed on Palestinian houses in Jubara hamlet south of Tulkarm city, destroyed entrances and furniture after forcing residents to leave the houses under the threat of weapons. Wafa (Mar 27, 2008).
- The IOF staged into Bal'a and 'Anabta towns in Tulkarm and searched Palestinian houses; in addition, the IOF closed the main roadway linking between Bizariya and Ramin towns and detained Palestinians for hours. Maan News (Mar 27, 2008).

Nablus

- The Israeli Occupation Army broke into the Palestinian directorate of Education headquarter in Huwwara town south of Nablus governorate, aggressed on the properties and caused damages. Wafa (Mar 3, 2008).
- The IOF erected a checkpoint at the entrance of Bita town and hindered Palestinian access in or out of the town. Quds (Mar 4, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation troops broke into the Palestinian houses in Tal village west of Nablus city and caused panic to residents; at the time, Israeli settlers aggressed on the houses of Burin town south of the city and caused damages to the properties. Quds (Mar 5, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into a Secondary Male School in Huwwara town south of Nablus city and detained students in one room;

In addition, the IOF broke into the house of Na'em Ibrahim As'ad Dmaydi and caused damages to the properties. Wafa (Mar 9, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Forces staged into Nablus city, Balata refugee camp, Deir Sharaf, Qusin, 'Asera Al Shamaliya and Deir Al Hatab villages searched houses and caused severe damages to the properties. Quds (Mar 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished a room owned by Issa Raed Hinny in Beit Furik town east of Nablus city for being unlicensed and destroyed tens of fruitful trees. Quds (Mar 13, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army continued closing Qaryout-Ramallah road with cement blocks and barred Palestinian residents from using it. Wafa (Mar 17, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army closed Huwwara checkpoint south of Nablus city and prevented residents from accessing in and out of the city. Wafa (Mar 19, 2008).
- The Israeli settlers of Eli, Shilo and Ma'ale Levona constructed a monument for their killed soldiers on the main entrance of Al Lubban Al Sharqiya village. Quds (Mar 20, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Troops invaded Sura village west of Nablus city and broke into the store of Sami 'Aref Abu Traba and into the coffee shop of Badr 'Aref 'Awad. Wafa (Mar 23, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army broke into Balata refugee camp east of Nablus city searched houses and turned them into military posts. Among owners, Mr. Saleh Abu Hamada was known. Wafa (Mar 25, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army closed the western entrances of Bita town south of Nablus city with earth mounds and barred Palestinian movement. Quds (Mar 25, 2008).

Jenin

- The Israeli Occupation troops invaded Qabatyia and Silet Al Harithiya towns in Jenin, carried out a house to house search and forced residents to stay in cold weather under the pretext of looking for wanted Palestinian people. Wafa (Mar 5, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces invaded Qabatiya town searched houses and broke into the Mosque in middle of the town after dynamiting its main entrance. Wafa (Mar 6, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army erected two temporary checkpoints on the eastern and southern entrances of Al Zababdeh town south of Jenin city and barred Palestinian movement. Wafa (Mar 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into the three-storey house of Hussny Anis Al Sa'dy in Jenin city and caused severe loses to the properties after confiscating papers and documents of landownership. Quds (Mar 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army invaded Jenin city and dynamited the entrances of commercial stores in the city under the pretext of looking for wanted Palestinian people, causing damages to the properties. Wafa (Mar 11, 2008).
- The IOF broke into Al Majd Radio Station in Jenin city, demolished properties, confiscated files and sealed it with Oxygen. Wafa (Mar 11, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army invaded Deir Abu D'aief village east of Jenin city and surrounded the house of Muhyi Yasin and forced residents to evacuate the house under the threat of weapons. Quds (Mar 16, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces staged into Jenin refugee camp and broke into Palestinian houses in the camp causing severe loses. Among the owners, Mr. Majed Turikman was known. Wafa (Mar 17, 2008).
- The IOF partially demolished the house of Nabil Al Zoz near the old Mosque in Al Zababda town south of Jenin city. Wafa (Mar 18, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished the 50 m² room of Tawfiq Qabha in Barta'a Al Sharqiya village southwest of Jenin city for being built without permits. Maan news (Mar 19, 2008).
- The IOF broke into the house of Bilal Kamil in Qabatyia town southwest of Jenin city and destroyed all properties; in addition, the IOF broke into Al Nahda women society and caused severe loses to the properties. Quds (Mar 21, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into Al Bariq Company in Al Rama village southwest of Jenin city and confiscated computers and files after destroying properties. Quds (Mar 23, 2008).
- The IOF broke into Jenin Charity Committee and Al Hanan School and caused damages to the properties. Quds (Mar 24, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army closed all entrances and roads leading to the Arab American University in Jenin and prevented students from reaching it. Quds (Mar 24, 2008).
- The IOF staged into Qabatyia and Al Yamun towns in Jenin Governorate and searched a number of Palestinian houses causing damages to the properties. Among the owners, Mr. Kamal Kamil Abu Zeid was known. Wafa (Mar 25, 2008).
- The IOF and under the heavy barrage of gunfire staged into Jenin city and broke into a residential building, some commercial stores and public societies after dynamiting their entrances. Wafa (Mar 26, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation troops broke into the houses of 'Abed El Fatah Khazima and 'Ala Abu Al Rab in Qabatyia town south of Jenin city and destroyed all furniture and properties. Quds (Mar 26, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Army invaded Jenin city and the towns of Kafr Ra'i and Deir Abu D'eif and aggressed on some Palestinian houses causing damages to the properties. Wafa (Mar 31, 2008).

Others

- The Israeli Minister of Defense reached an agreement with the Israeli settlers to evacuate 26 Israeli outposts in the West Bank which were constructed after March 2001 (according to Road Map); Migron outpost is among the 26 outposts scheduled to be evacuated. It is worth mentioning that settlers will be relocated in the Israeli settlement blocs in the West Bank. Quds (Mar 7, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished the house of Rami Fahmy Al Lidawy in Qalanswa city inside 1948 borders. Wafa (Mar 9, 2008).
- The Israeli Interior Minister and IDF Central Commander approved the transfer of Mod'in 'Illit settlement into a city; the settlement thus becomes the fourth Jewish city in Judea and Samaria, following Ariel, Ma'ale Adumim and Beitar 'Illit. Israel National News (Mar 12, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished the two-storey house of Ghazi Abu Sha'ban in Al Lud city for being unlicensed. Arabs48 (Mar 15, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities plan to confiscate hundreds of dunums of lands owned by 40 Palestinian families in Shibli village to expand road # 65. Arabs48 (Mar 15, 2008).

Israeli Colonization Activities in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip

Governorate	Land	Land	Uprooted	Houses	Houses
	Confiscated	Threatened	Trees	Demolished	threatened to
	(Dunum)	(Dunum)			be demolished
Bethlehem	0	14	170	2	0
Jerusalem	0	0	0	4	2
Jenin	0	0	0	0	0
Tulkarm	0	0	0	1	4
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	0	0	0	0	0
Salfit	0	0	0	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	50	0	1000	11	7
Qalqiliya	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	0	0	0	7	0
Tubas	0	0	0	0	2
Total	50	14	1170	25	15

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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