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Jerusalem

- The Israeli Supreme Court rejected the appeal handed by residents of East Jerusalem to reroute the Wall's path in Abu Dis town, claiming that it is being built for security reasons. Quds (Aug 7, 2006).
- The Israeli authorities confiscated 128 dunums of lands of Hizma town in order to transfer the current checkpoint into a terminal following the completion of the Segregation Wall in the area. The terminal will have 4 lanes for cars and gates. Quds (Aug 7, 2006). For related cases, click here
- The IOF demolished three residential buildings each composed of two floors in Bab El Hawa area in Beit Hanina under the pretext of being unlicensed. Buildings belong to Abu 'Arafa family. Quds (Aug 8, 2006).
- Jerusalem Municipality Court issued an order to stop the demolition of 1560 m² residential building composed of 13 apartments in Shu'fat town. The building was threatened of demolition due to its location near Rekhes Shu'fat settlement. Quds (Aug 10, 2006).

- Jerusalem Municipality will endorse two new Israeli plans done by Al 'Ad committee and the Israeli land authorization which will take place in Silwan and Al Sheikh Jarah areas. Quds (Aug 14, 2006).
- The Israeli Ministry of Defense issued new military order to confiscate 10 dunums of lands at 'Anata's town main entrance to construct a terminal in the area. Lands belong to Suleiman Muhammad Al Dajany and Abu El Waled Muhammad Al Dajany. Quds (Aug 20, 2006).
- The Israeli forces demolished the two houses (300 m²) of Hani and Essam Muhammad Zahayka in Jabal Al Mukkabir southeast of Jerusalem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. Quds (Aug 24, 2006). Click here for more details
- The IOF exchanged parts of the cement blocks constructed in 'Anata secondary school with barbed wires. Quds (Aug 25, 2006).

Bethlehem

- The Israeli bulldozers started erecting the one kilometer length and 50 meters width colonial road east of Al Walajeh village west of Bethlehem city in Al Natouf and Wad Ehmad areas in block 3. This road will confiscate 15 dunums of land and will extend from Cremisan monastery through Beit Jala lands reaching inside the 1948 borders. Wafa (Aug 19, 2006). Click here to see military order
- The Israeli forces handed military warnings to the families of Sbeih, Al Zeir and Al Kamel in Harmala and Al 'Asakreh villages east of Bethlehem city in order to confiscate 6 dunums of agricultural lands to erect new bypass road connecting Tequ' and Har Homa settlements. Wafa+ Quds (Aug 28, 2006).

Qalqilyia

- The Israeli authorities issued new military order # (T/62/06) to confiscate 8 dunums of lands in Blocks 4, 11 in Kfar Laqif and Hija villages east of Qalqiliya city in order to construct new military base in Karne Shmoron settlement. Lands belong to the inheritance of Ahmad Helal, Muhammad Masalha and Ahmad 'Awad. Wafa (Aug 9, 2006). Click here for related cases
- The Israeli bulldozers razed tens of dunums of lands planted with Olives in Kafr Laqif village which belong to Ghazi Jabr and Ahmad Qadura. Maan news (Aug 12, 2006).

• The Israeli bulldozers razed 550 dunums of lands in Kafr Laqif, 'Azun and Deir Istiya villages east of Qalqiliya city in order to construct a new part of the wall in the area. Lands belong to the families of Eadwan, Swedan, Abu 'Amra, Qadura, 'Awad and 'Asaf. Wafa (Aug 16, 2006).

Tubas

- The Israeli settlers aggressed on the Palestinian properties and lands in the villages of the northern valleys and set fire into huge amounts of hays, causing severe losses. Wafa (Aug 2, 2006).
- The Israeli forces hindered Palestinian landowners from accessing their lands in Al Beka'a plain east of Tubas, announcing it a closed military area. Quds (Aug 13, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers of Mechola in the northern valleys added new caravans to the eastern part of the settlement. Wafa (Aug 20, 2006).
- The Israeli forces added new cement blocks and military watch towers to the current Al Hamra checkpoint in the central valleys in an attempt to reinforce its existence in the area. Wafa (Aug 26, 2006). <u>Click here for</u> <u>related cases</u>

Hebron

- The Israeli authorities handed military orders to confiscate 85 dunums of lands planted with Olive and Almond trees in Beit 'Awa town in order to construct part of the wall on both sides of the colonial road leading to Nighot settlement. Wafa (Aug 5, 2006).
- The IOF aggressed on the two-storey house of Yunis Khalil Ibrahim Zein north of Yatta town, causing severe damages. Wafa (Aug 8, 2006).
- The IOF constructed at least three cameras in a military watch point on the northern entrance of Hebron city. Wafa (Aug 9, 2006).
- Tens of settlers' families settled in the Israeli outposts in the center of Hebron city such as Abraham Abeno, Beit Romano and Ramat Yashi. Wafa (Aug 14, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers of Metzpe Laqish located to the west of Dura town razed vast areas of lands in an attempt to expand the settlement and to create a geographical contiguity with the nearby settlement of Nahal Negohot. Wafa (Aug 15, 2006).
- The Israeli authorities issued military order # (T/ 20/ 901) to confiscate 1100 dunums of lands in Halhul, Beit Ummar and 'Al 'Arub north of

Hebron city in order to erect a new part of bypass road # 60. Lands belong to the families of 'Akel, Al Duda, Al Sa'di, Abu 'Ayash, Ikhlil and Al Wahdan. Wafa (Aug 17, 2006). <u>Click here for more details</u>

- The IOF caused sever damages to the commercial stores in Khan Shahin market in the old city of Hebron. Wafa (Aug 22, 2006).
- The IOF took over the house of Khalil Abu Rajab Al Tamemi near the Ibrahimi Mosque and turned it into military post. Quds (Aug 23, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed vast areas of lands and uprooted Olive trees planted in 6 dunums of lands in Beit Ummar and Halhul towns north of Hebron city in order to construct a wall around Karme Zur settlement. More than 70 dunums of lands are threatened of confiscation in order to construct this part of the wall which belongs to Mahmud Nuh 'Akel and 'Ali 'Akel. Wafa (Aug 24, 2006). Click here for related cases
- The IOF aggressed on the Palestinian houses in Abu Sneineh neighborhood in Hebron city, causing severe damages to the properties. among the owners, the following were known: 'Adnan Rashed Abu Hamdiya. Wafa (Aug 27, 2006).
- The IOF aggressed on Al 'Anwar Art & Cultural center in Dura town south of Hebron city, causing sever damages to the properties. Wafa (Aug 29, 2006).
- The Israeli troops took over the house of Al Najy family in Al Hawouz area in Hebron city and turned it into military barrack. Wafa (Aug 30, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers of Susiya east of Yatta town uprooted tens of Olive trees owned by Muhammad Ahmad Nasr, Muhammad Jabr Al Nawaj'a, Muhammad 'Eqab AlNawaj'a and Nasr Al Nawaj'a. Wafa (Aug 30, 2006).

Nablus

- The Israeli settlers of Illit planted tens of dunums of agricultural lands in Qaryut town between Nablus and Ramallah and hedged them with barbed wires, hindering owners from accessing them. (Aug 1, 2006). Click here for related cases
- The Israeli authorities took over more than 1000 dunums of lands from Deir Sharaf town in order to expand the borders of Shave Shomron settlement on the expanse of Sebastiya, Deir Sharaf and Al Naqura towns. Moreover, the IOF has finished the construction of the 2.5 meters high and 500 meters long wall on the main Jenin- Nablus road. Wafa (Aug 2, 2006). Click here for related cases

- The IOF staged into Balata refugee camp and aggressed on the three-storey house of Shaker 'Abed El Latif Abu 'Ayash, causing severe damages. Wafa (Aug 9, 2006).
- The IOF constructed an iron gate with cement blocks on Tulkarm- Nablus road. Wafa (Aug 12, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers continued razing lands in Deir Sharaf village west of Nablus city in order to erect 1.5 kilometers long and 15 meters wide road around the nearby settlement of Sheve Shomron. Quds (Aug 13, 2006).
- The IOF demolished a house and a barrack owned by Al Nadi and Al Sa'di families in 'Askar refugee camp. Maan news (Aug 14, 2006).
- The Israeli forces took over the house of Ghazi Daoud Salim Shehada in Huwwara town south of Nablus city and turned it into military post. Wafa (Aug 15, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed lands near Qussin- Beit Iba road west of Nablus city. Wafa (Aug 17, 2006).
- The Israeli forces demolished a three-storey residential building in Tal'et Aswa area north of Nablus city, causing severe damages. Arabs48 (Aug 26, 2006).

Jenin

- The IOF demolished the house of Yousif Nazal in Qabatiya town near Jenin city. Quds (Aug 3, 2006).
- The Israeli forces constructed new military watch point on a mountain located between 'Araba town and Fahma village southwest of Jenin city. Wafa (Aug 9, 2006).

Tulkarem

- The Israeli forces set fire into 100 dunums of lands planted with Olives in Fir'oun town south of Tulkarem city. Lands belong to Riyad Al Haj Salem, Ahmad 'Abed El Fatah Omar, Jamal 'Abed El Majed Omar, 'Abed El Rahem Omar, Rashed Al Hatab, 'Abed Allah Attiya and 'Abed Allah 'Abed El Majed Omar. Wafa (Aug 7, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed the road connecting the cities of Tulkarem and Qalqilyia in Wadi Al Teen area and surrounded the area with barbed wires and installed an Iron Gate. Quds (Aug 13, 2006).

- The Israeli authorities issued military order # (T/ 90/ 2004) to confiscate vast areas of lands in Fir'oun village in blocks 8472 and 4474, parcels 38, 39 and 44. Lands belong to the inheritance of Amin Nimr Al Sewas, the inheritance of Fathiya Amin Nimr Al Sewas, Hasan 'Abed El Qader 'Edwan and Bahiya Mahmud Da'na. Wafa (Aug 17, 2006).
- The Israeli surveyors surveyed vast areas of lands planted with Olives and owned by the inheritance of Rabah Al Haj Musa in Al Wa'ra Al Shamiya area in Al Ras village south of Tulkarm city. Wafa (Aug 27, 2006).

Gaza

- The Israeli forces demolished the house of Issa Al Batran in Al Braj refugee camp, causing damages to the nearby houses and buildings. Wafa (Aug 2, 2006).
- The IOF demolished two houses in central and western Gaza city, causing severe damages to the properties. Quds (Aug 3, 2006).
- The IOF shelled the two-storey house of Muhammad Al Sharfa in Beit Lahya town north of the Strip causing severe damages. Wafa (Aug 7, 2006).
- The IOF demolished at least 9 houses owned by the families of Abu Shalouf and Abu Shosha in Rafah governorate and razed vast areas of agricultural lands. Wafa (Aug 8, 2006).
- The house of Muhammad Salameh is threatened of demolition in Khan Yunis refugee camp. Quds (Aug 9, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the two-storey house of Subhy Al Kafarneh in Beit Hanun town north of the strip, causing severe damages to the nearby houses. In addition, the IOF informed the family of Abu 'Amsha of their intention to demolish their house. Wafa (Aug 10, 2006).
- The Israeli forces demolished the three-storey house of Jamel Al Habibi in Jabalya refugee camp to the north of the Strip, causing severe losses. Wafa (Aug 11, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the two-storey house of Yunis Mhasin in Al Shaja'ya neighborhood east of Gaza city. Wafa (Aug 11, 2006).
- The IOF informed Ahmad Khalil Al Durfel and Abu Al 'Anzen family to evacuate their houses north of the strip to prepare them for demolition. Wafa (Aug 12, 2006).
- The Israeli forces demolished two houses owned by Mahmud Sa'ed Shanan (two-storey house) and Judeh family in Jabalya Al Nazlet north of the strip. Wafa+ Quds (Aug 14, 2006).

- The Israeli troops demolished the two-storey house of Muhammad Hussein Abu Odeh in Beit Hanun town. Wafa (Aug 15, 2006).
- The IOF dynamited the house of Hasan Sha'th in Al Sheikh Naser area in Khan Yunis governorate, causing severe damages to the nearby houses. Wafa (Aug 16, 2006).
- The IOF demolished a house, a poultry and a farm owned by Muhammad Musa Sha'ban in Al Remal area in Gaza. Quds (Aug 16, 2006).
- The Israeli troops took over a house owned by Al Barawy family in Beit Hanun town and turned it into military post. Wafa (Aug 17, 2006).
- The IOF destroyed a lethal workshop in 'Asqola area east of Gaza city. Wafa (Aug 17, 2006).
- The Israeli forces constructed electronic cameras on the buildings of Gaza International Airport in Rafah city. Wafa (Aug 21, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the house of Wisam 'Asaliya east of Jabalya town, causing damages to the nearby houses. Wafa (Aug 21, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the two-storey house of Ahmad Mansour Abu Hmyed and the house of Abu Ghayth family in Al Shaboura area in Rafah, turning them into a heap of rubble and causing severe damages to other five houses and the building of Al Salah Islamic committee. Wafa+Quds (Aug 22, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the two-storey house (320 m²) of Hisham Muhammad 'Ali 'Asaliya in Rafah, displacing 18 dwellers and causing damages to two other nearby houses. Quds (Aug 23, 2006).
- The Israeli forces completely demolished the three-storey house along with a commercial store owned by Ziyad Tanbura in Jabalya Al Nazla north of the strip. Wafa (Aug 25, 2006).
- The Israeli forces demolished the two-storey house of Yousif Muhammad Abu Daka in Al Farahin area in 'Abasan town east of Khan Yunis, causing damages to the nearby houses. Quds (Aug 25, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the four-storey house o Salim Thabet in Tel Al Za'tar area in the northern governorate. Wafa + Quds (Aug 25, 2006).
- The IOF destroyed the house and the workshop of Shahin Hegazy in Al Daraj neighborhood in Gaza city. Quds (Aug 26, 2006).
- An Israeli plan to construct new passage on the Palestinian side near Al Mintar trade passage east of Gaza Strip. Quds (Aug 26, 2006).
- The Israeli forces informed several numbers of Palestinian families to evacuate their houses in Al Shaja'ya neighborhood to evacuate their houses to demolish them. Among the owners, the family of Al Daba was

known. Moreover, the Israeli bulldozers razed vast areas of agricultural lands in the area. Quds (Aug 28, 2006).

• The governor of Khan Yunis assured that the total losses of the agricultural sector in the governorate since the beginning of the raid on the Gaza Strip in June 27 reached to \$ 2.5 millions. Quds (Aug 30, 2006).

Others

- The Israeli authorities confiscated about 600 dunums of lands from Daliet El Karmel and 'Isfiya villages near Haifa inside the Green Line in order to construct a railway station, gas and electricity lines. Quds (Aug 4, 2006).
- An economical Israeli plan to develop the Galilee with a budget of NIS 20 Millard. Quds (Aug 13, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the house of Sami Al Teti north of Al Tera city inside 1948 borders under the pretext of being licensed. It is worth mentioning that there are about 370 houses in the city are threatened of demolition under the same pretext. Wafa (Aug 15, 2006).
- The Israeli Ministry of Interior demolished 4 houses in the Negev which belong to Muhammad Mrahel Al Nabary and Al 'Azazmeh family. Arabs48 (Aug 17, 2006).
- The Israeli forces demolished six houses in Al Tawel village in the Negev under the pretext of being unlicensed. Houses belong to 'Azam Al Talalqa, Ibrahim Al Talalqa, Muhammad 'Ali Al Talalqa, Yousif Mtawi' Al Talalqa, Muhammad Mtawi' Al Talalqa and Yunis 'Azam Al Talalqa. Arabs48 (Aug 30, 2006).

District	Land	Land	Uprooted	Houses	Houses
	Confiscated	Threatened	Trees		threatened
	(Dunum)	(Dunum)		Demolished	to be
					demolished
Bethlehem	6	15	0	0	0
Jerusalem	138	0	0	8	0
Jenin	0	0	0	1	0
Tulkarm	0	0	2000	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	1000	0	0	4	0
Salfit	0	0	0	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0

Gaza	0	0	0	44	5
Qalqiliya	558	0	0	0	0
Hebron	1185	70	2457.5	0	0
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2887	85	4457.5	57	5

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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