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#### Jerusalem

- The Israeli Ministry of Housing and Construction issued tenders to construct 690 new housing units, of which, 342 units to be built in Betar Illit settlement in Bethlehem Governorate and the remaining 348 units in Ma'ale Adumim in Jerusalem. Haaretz & Arabs48 (Sep 4, 2006). For more information click here
- Ras El 'Amoud police station will soon be relocated to the new building which was constructed on a hill top opposite to Ma'ale Adumim settlement east of Jerusalem city. Quds (Sep 5, 2006). Click here to read previously written case study.
- The Israeli Supreme Court allowed the construction of the Wall northeast of Jerusalem city in the villages of Biddu, Beit Liqya, Beit Surik, Beit 'Anan and around the Israeli settlements of Har Adar, Ma'ale Hamamsha, Mapzert Zion and Giv'at Zeev. Wafa (Sep 10, 2006).
- An Israeli plan prepared by the Jerusalem Municipality and the Government of Israel to implement 15 proposals in the old city of Jerusalem under the slogan of "Developing the basin of the old city". This

plan will cost NIS 75 millions. Quds (Sep 13, 2006). Click here for more information

- The Israeli authorities started constructing the railway station which will connect Jerusalem city with Tel Aviv. This project will cost NIS 4.5 millions. Quds (Sep 14, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers partially demolished and without pre-notification the 160 m<sup>2</sup> house owned by Isma'il Amin Shqerat in Al Swahra Ash Sharqiya under the pretext of being built without a license and due to its location close to the Segregation Wall path. Quds (Sep 21, 2006). Click here for more information
- Israel opened the "Generation Center" historical site beneath Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem. Quds (Sep 23, 2006).

#### Bethlehem

- Israel is finally sealing off the Rachel's Tomb area from the rest of Bethlehem Governorate, including those with land and properties. Palestinian owners whose properties are located inside the Rachel's enclave are no longer allowed to access their properties as the Israeli Occupation forces gave orders not let anyone inside the enclave as they're preparing to isolate the area and rig large iron gate along the 30 foot cement partition surrounding the tomb site thus permanently sealing off the area from Bethlehem Governorate. Quds (Sep 2, 2006). Click here for more information
- The IOF staged into Al Duha town west of Bethlehem city took over five Palestinian houses owned by Malah and Al 'Awdy families and caused severe damages to the properties. Maan news (Sep 5, 2006).
- The Israeli Chief Commander Yaer Naveh issued new military order number (69/06/T) to confiscate 152 dunums of lands of lands of Al Khader and Beit Fajjar in Bethlehem and Beit Ummar in Hebron to construct a new terminal south of Bethlehem Governorate and also to resume the construction of the segregation wall in that area. Lands stated for confiscation lie within the following Parcels:
  - Beit Ummar (parcel 2: Abu Soda mountain )
  - Beit Fajar (parcel 5: Wadi Al Bateekh and Thaher Um Salamuna) and
  - Al khader (Wadi An Nis). Quds (Sep 5, 2006). <u>Click here for</u> more information

- The Israeli Chief Commander Yaer Naveh issued a new military order # (T/77/06) to confiscate 102 dunums of lands in Al Khader and Artas villages west of Bethlehem city near road # 60 for the Wall process. Wafa (Sep 12, 2006). Click here for more information.
- The IOF demolished a 120 m<sup>2</sup> building and 180 m<sup>2</sup> barracks in Tequ' town east of Bethlehem city under the pretext of being unlicensed. The properties belong to Khalil Safi Al Badan. It is worth mentioning that there are another 5 houses threatened of demolition in the area. Wafa (Sep 12, 2006). Click Here for more information
- The IOF demolished the 150 m<sup>2</sup> house of Munther Darwesh in Za'tara village under the pretext of not having building licenses. Quds (Sep 13, 2006). Click here for more information.

### Qalqilyia

- The Israeli forces handed resident 'Abed El Rahim Sa'sa' military warning to demolish his store in Qalqiliya city. The store of Mr. Sa'sa' sells Equipments for housing and construction. Maan news (Sep 11, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers of Mitan outpost and Karne Shomron settlement east of Qalqiliya City constructed water pipes and electronic poles on lands of Kafr Thulth village in order to supply Mitan outpost with water. Quds (Sep 13, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers of Kidumim east of Qalqiliya city took over the house of 'Adnan 'Abed El Mahdi 'Ali and turned it into military post. Wafa (Sep 17, 2006).
- The Israeli authorities issued new military order number <u>78/06/T</u> to construct 4500 meters part of the Wall around 'Azun 'Atma village south of Qalqiliya city which will extend from Sh'are Tikva settlement to Oranit. Wafa (Sep 18, 2006). <u>Click here for more information.</u>

#### **Tubas**

• The IOF started erecting a new colonial road in the northern valleys east of Tubas Governorate in order to connect the two settlements of Mechola and Sal'it together. It is worth mentioning that Sal'it Settlement was established in 2002 as an outpost and throughout the years, this outpost grew to become a settlement today. Wafa (Sep 14, 2006).

#### Hebron

- The IOF staged into Hebron city and took over several numbers of Palestinian houses, causing severe damages to the properties. Among the owners, the following were known: Falah Mustafa Naser El Din and Akram Mesk. Wafa (Sep 4, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers continued erecting the colonial road near Qiryat Arba' settlement east of Hebron city and uprooted 20 Olive trees which belong to Abu Is'efan, Jaber and Da'na families. Wafa (Sep 6, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers rebuilt the dismantled Susiya outpost in Yatta town south of Hebron city on lands owned by Al Hadar family, 1.5 kilometers to the south of Susiya settlement. Wafa (Sep 16, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers of Tene south of Adh Dhahiriya town started erecting new colonial road on the expense of the Palestinian lands in Wad Al Khalil area southeast of the town. This road will connect road 60 with Mukaffer Al Rahwa in order to construct a Synagogue. Lands belong to Hasan, Muhammad and 'Ali Mahmud 'Abed El Majed Al Tal. Wafa (Sep 18, 2006). Click here for more information
- The IOF took over the house of Munther Ahmad Jaber in Hebron city and turned it into military post. Wafa (Sep 27, 2006).
- The IOF took over four houses in Hebron city and turned them into military barracks. Houses belong to Taleb Hussny Abu Rajab Al Tamemi, Shaher Al Tamemi, Khalil Abu Rajab Al Tamemi and Basim Suleiman Abu Isnaneh. Wafa (Sep 27, 2006).
- The Israeli settlers of Qiryat Arba' razed about 65 dunums of lands in Al Bueireh area north of the settlement in an attempt to expand the existing bypass road. Lands belong to the families of Sultan, Al Ash-hab, Al Ledawy and to a Palestinian housing complex. Wafa (Sep 27, 2006).

#### Nablus

- The Israeli settlers of Yizhar set fire into 200 dunums of lands in Burin village. Wafa (Sep 18, 2006).
- The Israeli troops destroying the entrance doors of hundreds of commercial stores in Balata refugee camp in Nablus, causing severe losses. Wafa (Sep 28, 2006).

#### Salfit

- The Israeli forces closed the only Iron Gate on the main entrance of Marda village to the north of Salfit. Quds (Sep 8, 2006)
- The Israeli authorities handed the resident 'Atta Ibrahim 'Abed El Raziq military warning to take over his one dunums and 200 m² of land located within Block 9 in Talet Inshet area in Deir Istiya village for military purposes. In addition the IOF handed Najwa Zeidan another military warning to confiscate her 40 dunums of lands in the village under the pretext of being state lands. Wafa (Sep 21, 2006).
- The IOF closed the Iron Gate near Qarawat Bani Zeid village and hindered residents from accessing the village through the gate. Quds (Sep 22, 2006).
- The Israeli forces hindered Palestinian landowners from Al Zawiya, Masha and Rafat villages from accessing their agricultural lands west of the Segregation wall. Wafa (Sep 26, 2006).

#### **Jenin**

- The Israeli forces uprooted hundreds of Olive trees in Zabuba village west of Jenin city for the sake of the Segregation Wall process. Quds (Sep 2, 2006).
- The IOF constructed new military watch point on a mountainous hill overlooking Kafr Ra'i and Fahma villages southwest of Jenin city. Wafa (Sep 6, 2006).
- The IOF hindered Palestinian landowners from accessing their lands in Ya'bud village under the pretext of security reasons. Quds (Sep 11, 2006).
- The IOF demolished a 150 m<sup>2</sup> poultry farm owned by Tariq Qabaha and his brother in Tura Al Gharbiya village to the southwest of Jenin city. Wafa (Sep 11, 2006).
- The Israeli forces hindered the landowners in 'Anin village from accessing their agricultural lands behind the Wall's path. Quds (Sep 26, 2006).

#### Tulkarem

• The Israeli forces closed gate # 708 on the Segregation Wall southwest of Far'un village in Tulkarm and hindered Palestinian farmers from

- accessing their agricultural lands behind the wall's path untill the 15th of October 2006. Wafa (Sep 5, 2006). Click here for more information
- The IOF closed Khirbet Jubara and Kafr Sur gates in Tulkarm and hindered Palestinian landowners from accessing their lands. Wafa (Sep 13, 2006). For more information (<u>Case 1 & Case 2</u>)

#### Gaza

- The Israeli bulldozers razed vast areas of agricultural lands planted with Vegetables and fruitful trees in Abu Safiya and 'Izbet 'Abed Rabu areas east of Jabalya camp. Wafa (Sep 3, 2006).
- The IOF staged into Al Bura area east of Beit Hanun city, demolished four Palestinian houses and set fire into the house of Iyad Al Kafarneh. Quds (Sep 3, 2006).
- The Israeli troops demolished the house of Ashraf Al Salawi in Beit Al Na'ja area in Jabalya camp north of the Strip. Quds (Sep 3, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the house of Khalil Abu El Ful in Jabalya camp north of the Strip and turned it into a heap of rubble. Wafa (Sep 4, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed tens of dunums of agricultural lands and uprooted 100 Olive trees in Khaza'a town east of Khan Yunis governorate. Wafa (Sep 4, 2006).
- The Israeli forces informed more than 20 Palestinian families east of Al Khaza'a town in Khan Yunis governorate to evacuate their houses in preparation for demolition. Among the owners, the following was known: Fayza Abu Rayda. Wafa (Sep 6, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers continued razing the agricultural lands planted with Olive, Citrus and Tomatoes in Al Khaza'a town in Khan Yunis governorate; as a result hundreds of trees were uprooted. Wafa (Sep 6, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers razed agricultural lands and demolished agricultural plastic houses in Khaza'a town east of Khan Yunis. Wafa (Sep 9, 2006).
- Khaza'a Municipality east of Khan Yunis assured that the total losses due to the Israeli violations in the town during the last two days reached to \$800,000 and more than 25 Palestinian families were evacuated. Quds (Sep 10, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers demolished the house of Ahmad Abu Ta'miya in 'Abasan Al Jadeda town east of Khan Yunis governorate. Wafa (Sep 11, 2006).

- The IOF demolished a lethal workshop in Rafah city south of the Gaza Strip, turning it into a heap of rubble. Wafa (Sep 11, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the two-storey house of Abu Tariq Al Ramly in Gaza city. Arabs48 (Sep 12, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers staged 300 meters into Abu Hamam area north of Kisofim passage razed lands and uprooted Olive trees owned by 'Abed El 'Aziz Bin Sa'ed. Quds (Sep 13, 2006).
- The IOF demolished a three-storey house owned by Qashta family in Rafah governorate, turning it into a heap of rubble. Wafa (Sep 15, 2006).
- The Israeli troops demolished the two-storey house of Musallam Jaradat east of Rafah city. Wafa+ Quds (Sep 18, 2006).
- The IOF completely demolished the two-storey house of Fathi Abu Jarad east of Rafah governorate on the Palestinian- Egyptian borders. Wafa (Sep 20, 2006).
- The IOF demolished a house owned by Abu Jarad family in Rafah city south of the Gaza Strip. Wafa (Sep 22, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers staged 3000 meters inside Umm Al Nasr village northeast of Rafah city and completely demolished 13 Palestinian houses in the area, causing severe damages. Quds (Sep 22, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers staged into Beit Hanun town north of the Strip, razed vast areas of lands and uprooted tens of fruitful trees. Wafa (Sep 23, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the two-storey house of Akram Abu Jarad in Al Shouka town east of Rafah city. Quds (Sep 24, 2006).
- The Israeli bulldozers staged into Al 'Aumary area east of Al Maghazi camp and razed vast areas of agricultural lands in the area. Quds (Sep 26, 2006).
- The Israeli forces demolished the house of Sami Salem Al Sha'er in Rafah city, and caused severe losses and damages to the nearby houses. Wafa (Sep 27, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the three-storey house of Sami Sabri Braka in Al Za'arbeh area west of Rafah city and turned it into a heap of rubble. Wafa (Sep 28, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the two-storey house of Subhi Kalab in Al Amal neighborhood west of Khan Yunis city. Wafa (Sep 29, 2006).
- The IOF demolished the house of Mansour Braka in Zu'roub area west of Rafah city. Quds (Sep 29, 2006).

#### Others

- The Israeli bulldozers demolished 4 stores owned by Al Hawashleh family and seven Palestinian houses which belong to the families of Jbenan and Abu Khatab north and south of Hura village in the Negev. Quds (Sep 7, 2006).
- The Israeli authorities are planning to construct a well developed electronic system to provide security to the Israeli settlement blocs in the West Bank. The system is expected to cost NIS 400 millions. Quds (Sep 9, 2006).
- An Israeli plan to construct 12-15 kilometers length fence on the Israeli-Egyptian borders, mainly along Eliat area, which will cost \$ 230,000 to provide security to the borders. Quds (Sep 9, 2006).
- The Israeli Defense Minister Berez announced his willing to demolish 90 houses owned by Palestinians and Israeli's in the West Bank under the pretext of being built without licenses. Maan news (Sep 19, 2006).
- The Israeli Ministry of housing and construction issued new tenders to construct 164 new housing units in the settlements of the West Bank. 88 units will be constructed in Ariel settlement in Salfit, 56 units in Alfe Menashe settlement and 20 units in Karne Shomron settlement, both located in Qalqilyia Governorate. Wafa (Sep 21, 2006).
- The Israeli authorities demolished 6 houses made of barracks in Kafr Al Bara village inside 1948 borders which belong to Muthana Khatib. Wafa (Sep 25, 2006).

District	Land	Land		Houses	Houses
	Confiscated				threatened
	(Dunum)	(Dunum)	Uprooted	Demolished	to be
			Trees		demolished
Bethlehem	254	0	0	2	5
Jerusalem	0	0	0	0	0
Jenin	0	0	0	0	0
Tulkarm	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	0	0	0	0	0
Salfit	41	0	0	0	0
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	0	0	100	39	20

Qalqiliya	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron	65	0	20	0	0
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
Total	360	0	120	41	25

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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