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Foreword:

The past month, February 2024, marked another milestone in the ongoing crime and massacre that is being broadcasted live by the occupation war machine. The accelerated number of martyrs, the confiscation of lands, as well as the forced displacement procedures represent obvious indications that the Israeli policies aim to end the Palestinian existence, to eliminate its symbols and to empty it of its cultural, historical and human target.

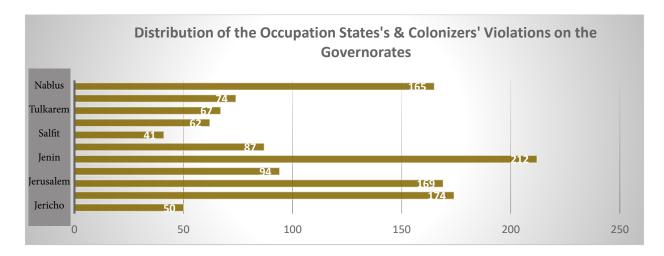
We, in the CWRC, fully realize the difficulty and nature of the stage we live these days, especially regarding the nature and seriousness of the colonial expanding projects that are being implemented quickly and at an unprecedented pace. However, we also have deep trust in steadfastness of the Palestinian citizen that would eventually frustrate all these colonial plans.

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First: Violations of the Israeli Occupation State & Colonizers in the Occupied Palestinian Territories during February 2024:

During the reporting period, February 2024, the Colonization & Wall Resistance Commission (CWRC) monitored 1195 attacks. These attacks were carried out by the various bodies of the occupying state, including its colonial militia, against Palestinian citizens and their property.



These attacks included martyrdom, physical injuries, whether by live bullets or gas, as well as incursions, sabotage, theft, and confiscation of property, bulldozing lands, and uprooting trees. However, these attacks were concentrated in the governorate of Jenin which witnessed 212 attacks, followed by Hebron Governorate (174 attacks), then Jerusalem Governorate (169 attacks), and finally Nablus Governorate which witnessed 165 attacks.

These governorates witnessed intense attacks, about (61%) of the total of these attacks in addition to hundreds of attacks perpetrated in the governorates of Bethlehem, Qalqilia and Ramallah. Furthermore, 29 martyrs were recorded during the reporting period in the West Bank and Jerusalem. These attacks included 252 attacks on property and holy places, 29 attacks on lands and natural resources, 914 attacks on citizens.

The occupying state's and colonizers' attacks on Palestinian citizens, their property, and holy places:

• Attacks on citizens:

During the reporting period, February 2024, the Colonization & Wall Resistance Commission (CWRC) documented 914 attacks on citizens. Most of these attacks were concentrated in Jenin Governorate which witnessed 188 attacks, followed by Jerusalem Governorate which witnessed 146 attacks. Meanwhile, there were 121 attacks in Nablus Governorate. These attacks varied between shooting, arrest campaigns, shutting down checkpoints and imposing traffic restrictions on citizens.

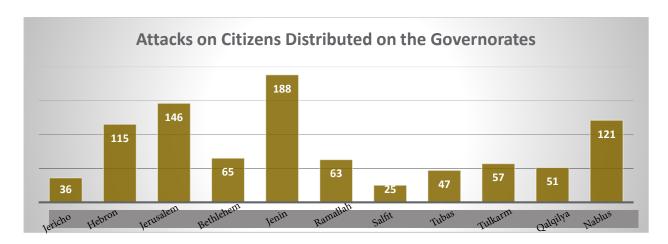
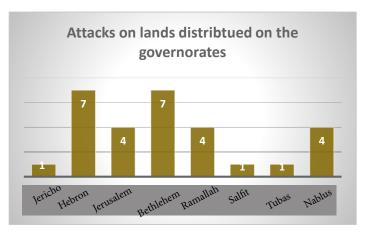


Table (1): the Israeli attacks on citizens distributed on governorates:

	Jericho	Hebron	Jerusalem	Bethlehem	Jenin	Ramallah	Salfit	Tubas	Tulkarm	Qalqilia	Nablus	Total
Martyrs	-	2	7	1	3	1	_	3	6	2	4	29
Arresting citizens	21	24	62	14	86	23	7	22	10	32	26	327
Shooting	-	4	15	-	6	2	-	8	7	3	12	57
Restriction on movement	_	22	34	9	26	7	8	2	7	-	19	134
Hitting & Running over	4	20	5	4	4	4	3	1	1	1	9	56
suffocation	-	6	3	5	18	-	-	-	-	-	4	36
Intimidation	11	37	20	32	45	26	7	11	26	13	47	275
Total	36	115	146	65	188	63	25	47	57	51	121	914

Attacks on Lands & Natural Resources:

During February 2024, the Colonization & Wall Resistance Commission (CWRC) has documented 29 attacks on Palestinian lands and natural These attacks resources. were concentrated in Hebron and



Bethlehem Governorates with 7 attacks for each, followed by Jerusalem, Ramallah and Nablus Governorates (4 attacks for each). These attacks affected hundreds of dunums of citizens' lands. The reporting period, February 2024, witnessed 4 colonial attempts to establish outposts on citizens' lands. In addition, the Israeli occupation forces as well as its colonizers carried out 7 bulldozing lands' operations. Most of these operations were recorded in Bethlehem Governorate which witnessed 3 operations, followed by Jerusalem governorate which witnessed 2 bulldozing operations¹.

Assaults on Trees:

During the reporting period, February 2024, the Colonization & Wall Resistance Commission (CWRC) documented 17 attacks that targeted olive trees and caused the uprooting, poisoning and burning of 1002 trees among which there were 692 olive trees.

Most of these assaults were concentrated in Hebron governorate where 6 attacks were recorded and caused the uprooting and damaging of 70 trees. Next, there were

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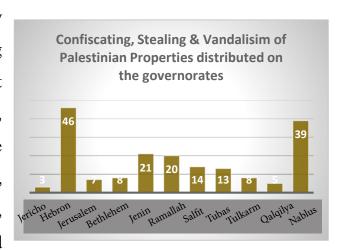
4 attacks in Nablus governorate that caused the uprooting and damaging of 462 trees; and 2 attacks in Bethlehem Governorates and caused the uprooting and damaging of 420 trees. Meanwhile, Salfit governorate witnessed an attack that caused the uprooting and damaging of 50 trees.

Table (2) clarifies the number of the uprooted trees in several governorates:

Governorate	Number of the				
Governorate	uprooted trees				
Hebron	70				
Bethlehem	420				
Salfit	50				
Nablus	462				
Total	1002				

Attacks on Palestinians' Properties:

During the reporting period, February 2024, the Israeli occupation forces along with the colonial militias carried out several campaigns to confiscate, steal, and sabotage citizens' property. These properties included agricultural tractors, bulldozers, cameras' recordings, vehicles, electrical supplies, money, and



olive harvesting equipment, olive fruits, and livestock.

During February 2024, the Israeli occupation carried out 252 attacks on properties², causing the vandalism and confiscation of approximately 184 Palestinian properties, including the confiscation of 50 vehicles, 3 camera recordings, 6 bulldozers and tractors, 5 cases of money and gold theft, confiscation of several equipment, confiscation of a donkey and 10 mobile phone. As for colonizer's attacks on properties; they were as follows: 50 goats, 2 agricultural tractors, a vehicle, and stealing olive fruit.

Table (3) shows the distribution of the colonial attacks on lands and property by governorate:

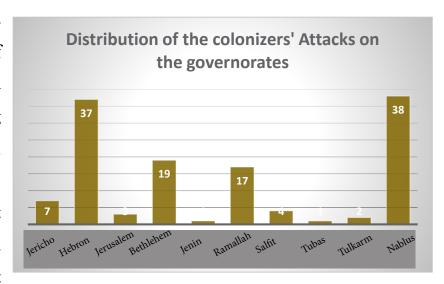
	Jericho	Hebron	Jerusalem	Bethlehem	Salfit	Jenin	Ramallah	Tubas	Tulkarm	Qalqilia	Nablus	Total
Notifications	6	-	5	5	-	-	-	1	-	17	-	34
Establishing an outpost	-	1	_	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	4
Bulldozing lands	1	-	2	3	_	-	1	-	-	-	_	7
Property Vandalism	2	33	5	6	6	15	16	8	7	1	34	133
Uprooting Trees	-	6	2	2	1	-	1	1	-	-	4	17
Confiscation of Properties	1	13	2	2	8	6	4	5	1	4	5	51
Demolitions	4	4	7	9	1	3	-	-	2	-	1	31
Imposing facts on ground	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Attacks on holy places	-	2	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	1	-	3
Total	14	59	23	29	16	24	24	15	10	23	44	281

² Table No.(3)

Colonizers' Attacks:

According to what was monitored and documented by the Colonization and Wall Resistance Commission (CWRC) during the reporting period, the colonizers carried out 129 organized attacks. These attacks varied between the occupation army's

protection of the colonists in their storming of Palestinian cities and communities, breaking into Palestinian villages, confiscating citizens' property, drawing racist slogans on the walls, and bulldozing lands, as what



happened in al Sawya village. Furthermore, 55 vehicles were badly attacked, either by damaging or vandalism. Including the affected vehicles there were 34 broken and damaged vehicles, 10 were burned and 11 vehicles were exposed to gunfire in addition to throwing stones at the passing vehicles as well as the racist graffiti that were drawn on these vehicles.

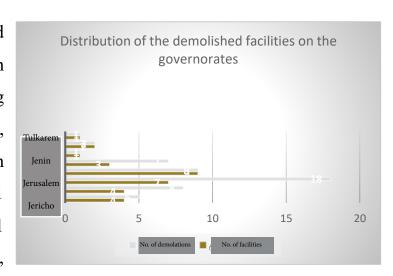
All of that is in addition to the escalating attacks against the holy sites, most notably the incursions of the Al-Aqsa Mosque's courtyards in the occupied city of Jerusalem. The number of colonisers' incursions into Al-Aqsa Mosque under the protection of the occupation army, during the period covered by the report, namely February 2024, with an estimated 20 incursions carried out by about 3,274 colonisers, 2,250 of which carried out their incursions under what is called "tourism to the courtyards of Al-Aqsa Mosque."

Those paying attention to the geographical distributions of these attacks will notice that most of them are concentrated in the Nablus Governorate, where the colonizers carried out 38 attacks, followed by the Hebron Governorate, with 37 attacks, then the Bethlehem Governorate, with 19 attacks.

Second: Procedures and Practices of the Occupation Authorities Against Palestinian Institutions

Demolitions

According to the Colonization and Wall Resistance Commission (CWRC) violations database, during the period covered by the report, February 2024, the occupation authorities carried out a total of 31 demolitions that targeted 51 institutions in the West Bank,



including Jerusalem. Most of these demolitions were concentrated in the Bethlehem Governorate, with 9 demolitions that resulted in the demolition of 9 institutions, followed by the Jerusalem Governorate, with 7 demolitions, which resulted in the demolitions of 18 institutions, and then the governorates of Hebron and Jericho, with 4 demolition operations each, which left 8 destroyed institutions in Hebron, and 5 destroyed institutions in Jericho.

The side graph illustrates the distribution of demolition operations in the southern and middle regions of the West Bank. Because the relationship between demolitions

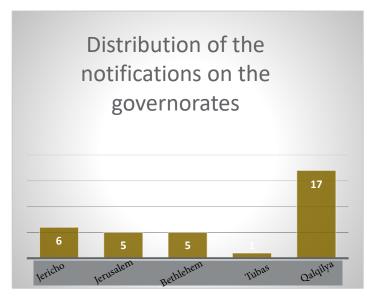
and demolition notifications is inherent (see the notifications section), we notice the concentration in both the northern and southern parts of the West Bank. These notifications are concentrated in vast areas where the Israeli occupation seeks to evacuate and forcibly depopulate in favour of the settler-colonial project. In the period covered by the report, these demolitions included: inhabited residences, uninhabited residences, residences under construction, agricultural facilities, mobile homes (caravans), industrial and commercial barracks, and water wells.

Table No. 4 demonstrates the number of demolished facilities and their type by governorate

	Facility Type									
Governorate	Inhabited residences	Uninhabited residences	Sources of livelihood	Agricultural facilities	Other	Total				
Jericho	2	-	-	3	-	5				
Hebron	2	1	-	5	-	8				
Jerusalem	4	13	1	-	-	18				
Bethlehem	5	2		1	1	9				
Jenin	3	-	-	4	-	7				
Salfit	-	-	-	1	-	1				
Tulkarm	2	-	-	-	-	2				
Nablus	-	-	-	1	-	1				
Total	18	16	1	15	1	51				

Notifications (Demolition, Construction Moratorium)

During the period covered by the report, February 2024, the Israeli occupation authorities issued 34 notifications. These notifications varied between demolition notifications or construction moratoriums under the pretext of lacking a licence. Most of these notifications were concentrated in the Qalqilyah Governorate with 17 notifications, followed by the Jericho



Governorate with 6 notifications, and the Jerusalem and Bethlehem Governorates with 5 notifications each.

The notifications issued by the Israeli occupation authorities in the West Bank serve as a means of besieging Palestinians in Area "C" and obstructing their development and urban expansion since the occupation controls planning in those regions and hinders the Palestinians' right to prepare and approve master plans. Such measures aim to exploit Area "C", representing 61% of the West Bank's total area, for future colonial expansion and strategic purposes.

Third: Expropriation: Land Confiscation:

In February, the Israeli occupation authorities confiscated a total of 2,658 dunums of Palestinian private land in the Jerusalem and Ramallah governorates. The first order was carried out under a seizure order for military purposes targeting citizens' lands east of Ramallah, which is a true implementation of the buffer zones plan around the colonies proposed by the occupation's Finance Minister Smotrich after the beginning of the aggression on October 7th. This order not only involved the confiscation of the land referred to in the declaration but also prevented access to

hundreds of dunums. The second action was carried out under so-called "state land declaration orders," targeting 2,640 dunums of land east of Jerusalem, which is the area connecting the colonies of Kedar and Ma'ale Adumim.

The First Order:

On February 15, 2024: The Israeli occupation authorities issued a new military order carrying the number (M.D\24\4) with the same purpose of targeting privately owned Palestinian lands in the village of Deir Dibwan east of Ramallah Governorate. This order targets 18 dunums of the Deir Dibwan lands around the Mitzpe Dane Colony, which was "legalized" by the occupation's standards and turned from a colonial outpost to a colony in 2022. This procedure prevents Palestinian citizens from accessing more than 320 dunums of their lands in the area.

Map of the Military Order on the Lands of Deir Dibwan



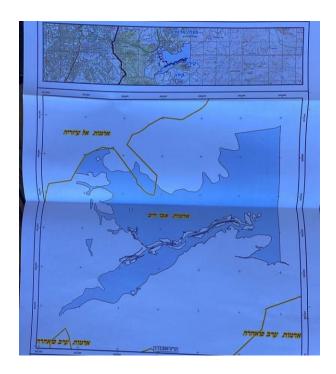
The Second Order:

On February 29, 2024: The Israeli occupation authorities seized 2640 dunums of the lands from the towns of Abu Dis, Al-Eizariya, and Arab Al-Sawahreh, east of occupied Jerusalem, according to a new declaration under the name of "state lands," a term adopted by the occupying state to control and confiscate more land.

This new declaration targets the area located between the colonies of "Kedar" and "Ma'ale Adumim" established on the lands of the Palestinian citizens east of Jerusalem. This seizure by the occupation authorities aims to create geographical continuity between the aforementioned colonies, which will lead to isolating East Jerusalem from its Palestinian context.

Furthermore, this step will also link the previously declared lands as "state lands" with the new declaration, in addition to isolating Bedouin communities (Wadi Abu Hindi and Al-A'waj cluster from Al-Eizariya and Abu Dis) and tightening the closure of the eastern slopes.

Land State Declaration Map



Fourth: Incitement and Racist Statements by the Leaders of the Israeli Occupation State

These days, leaders of the Israeli occupation started making their racist statements unabashedly, revealing their superiority complexes and racist stances. In this section of the report, we quickly review the most prominent of these statements.

- On 29 February 2024: The so-called Heritage Minister of the occupation government Amichai Eliyahu said: "The so-called month of Ramadan must be wiped out, and our fear of this month must also be wiped out".
- On 29 February 2024: Ben Gvir, the so-called Israeli occupation Minister of National Security, posted on the "X" platform saying "Full support must be given to our heroic soldiers working in Gaza, who acted excellently against the 'Gazan mob' who tried to harm them," he added: "It has been proven today that transferring humanitarian aid to Gaza is not only impossible but also madness".
- On 24 February 2024: During an interview with The Times of Israel, so-called Israeli occupation Heritage Minister Amichai Eliyahu said that the world can absorb millions of refugees but does not allow Gazans to move from one place to another, "liberating them from war and Hamas rule."

Regarding the re-settlement in the Gaza Strip, the Israeli minister said that where there are settlements, there will be security³.

- On 22 February 2024: The Minister of Colonization in the occupation government, Orit Strook, claimed that "there is no Palestinian people and that the Palestinians have no right to establish their own state."
- On 22 February 2024: The so-called Minister of National Security in the occupying state, Itamar Ben Gvir, stated on platform X: "I do not recognize anything called Palestinians. We must place more barriers and close the axes on the roads of the Palestinian Authority. Our right to life is more important than their (referring to Palestinians) freedom of movement." He added: "We will continue to provide Israelis with weapons to protect themselves."
- On 22 February 2024: Occupation Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich stated: The dangerous attack in Ma'ale Adumim must be met with a firm security response, as well as the construction of new colonies. I demand that Netanyahu immediately approve plans to build thousands of housing units in Ma'ale Adumim and the entire region. He added: Let our enemies know that any Harm to us will lead to more construction and more of our control throughout the country. On 19 February 19 2024: The Hebrew newspaper Maariv quoted Smotrich as saying: Ramadan will be difficult in the West Bank without workers and salaries, and the Palestinians must know that there is a price they must pay.

³ See Amichai Eliyahu's statements about dropping the nuclear bomb on the Gaza Strip. In the Statements Appendix of the monthly report/November 2023

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On 21 February 2024: The Minister of Women in the occupying state, May Golan, published on the x platform a post declaring her pride in the "ruins" of besieged Gaza. She said she "literally" doesn't care about Gaza, and even suggested they could go swimming in the sea for all she cares. She expressed her desire to witness the destruction of Gaza and proudly stated that future generations of Palestinians would recount the deeds of the Jews.