

Day 213: Jerusalem during “Al-Aqsa Flood” Operation

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On the 213th day of "Al-Aqsa Flood Operation", the Mustafa family carried out the decision to self-demolish its residential apartment in the village of Issawiya, and a massive arrest campaign of young men with West Bank IDs was carried out, and the raids on Al-Aqsa Mosque continued.

Demolition of an apartment in Issawiya

The occupation municipality forced Thaer Jamal Mustafa to self-demolish his apartment in the village of Issawiya, under the pretext of “building without a license.”

The family built the apartment in July 2023, and the municipality began pursuing the family and issued a demolition decision under the pretext of building without a license, at a time when the municipality refuses to issue any building permit in the village until the submitted structural map is approved - as the family explained -.

The family pointed out that the forces arrested the father of the apartment's owner, Sheikh Jamal Mustafa - the Imam of the Arba'een Mosque - and he is still under arrest. Since then, the forces and various institutions have been pursuing the family and imposing fines and violations against them.

The family explained that the apartment had an area of 130 square meters and was built of sheet metal and wood.

Dozens of arrests

The Israeli police said that they arrested 84 Palestinians holding West Bank ID cards, under the pretext of entering Jerusalem illegally.

The police said that they arrested the young men from the village of Jabal Al-Mukabber.

Al-Aqsa Mosque

On Monday, 102 extremists carried out their raids into Al-Aqsa Mosque through the Dung Gate, the keys of which have been controlled by the occupation authorities since the occupation of Jerusalem.

Closing the “Friday Market Land”

The “Municipality and Nature and Parks Authority” crews closed the land of “Friday Market /Al-Khandaq Land” – located along the northeastern side of the Old City wall – with zinc boards to complete the excavation work inside it after controlling it and preventing its owners from using it.

The area of the land is approximately 1200 square meters, and it is owned by the Owais, Hamad, and Atallah families, who were prevented last February from using the land which was used as a “parking lot”, and the land was closed with cement cubes.

Transferring a boy to administrative detention

Mohammad Mahmoud, the lawyer of the Wadi Hilweh Information Center – Silwan, said that the boy, Ali Diab, was transferred to administrative detention for a period of 6 months.

The boy Diab was arrested on 2/5/2024 after raiding his house in the Kufor Aqab neighborhood, north of Jerusalem, and he was severely beaten.

The raids into the towns and neighborhoods of Jerusalem continued, and checkpoints were set up in the city's streets.

The forces arrested a boy, after stopping and searching a bus in the Beit Hanina area, north of Jerusalem.