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Village of Azmut organizes first demonstration against the Israeli occupation and land theft - settler road blocked successfully

On Friday 10th of May, around 60 people from the village of Azmut, near Nablus, supported by 6 international activists, demonstrated against the Israeli occupation and systematic land theft by illegal settlements. The action was successful, but the residents continue to suffer heavily the effects of Israeli policy in the West Bank...

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Adel Baker, a fisherman from Gaza, now fighting for his life in the hospital

On May 1st many countries celebrate the achievement of workers on Labor Day weekend. In Gaza too, workers celebrated labour day in a demonstration in the centre of Gaza City. Yet, for the Palestinian fishermen there was nothing to celebrate.

In the early hours of Wednesday morning on May 1st 2013, a Palestinian fisherman was seriously injured when Israeli naval vessels off the coast of Rafah, southern Gaza Strip, opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats that were within 3 nautical miles



Nasri Sabama

A life of uncertainty under occupation

At 3am on 13th May, Nasri Sabarna of Beit Ummar woke up to the sound of Israeli soldiers kicking down his front door. The sound of them shooting tear gas, rubber bullets and sound bombs at people passing his house on their way to the Mosque for morning prayer also woke up his 3 year old granddaughter, whose crying in turn woke up the rest of the Sabarna household.

The 6 jeeps full of soldiers had come to arrest his 21 year old son Achmed – for the fifth time. Achmed is a 21 year old student who has yet to be charged with any crime. As Achmed was not home at the time the soldiers invaded his home, the whole family were ordered to go to the police station in the illegal settlement of Gush Etzyon the following morning at 9am....

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of the Gaza coast...

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Gustav Karlsson being arrested in Hebron

"The Israeli system has a contempt for justice" -Swedish activist being deported despite false charges and legal appeal

UPDATE 14th May 2013: Gustav is currently being put onto a plane against his will. His lawyer tried a last minute stay on the deportation to allow to the legal process of his appeal to continue, but this was ignored by the Israeli courts. He will arrive into Stockholm later today.

Swedish activist Gustav Karlsson is today, 13th May, being transferred to Ben Gurion airport in Tel Aviv in preparation to be flown back to Sweden against his will. He is currently appealing his deportation legally.

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Beit Ummar: steadfastness and non-stop resistance against Israeli occupation

On Friday 10th of April, tens of heavily armed Israeli occupation troops clashed with Beit Ommar's defenseless youth, armed only with eagerness for freedom. Israeli forces shot countless tear gas canisters towards the young people, other civilians' homes and shot numerous rubber-coated steel bullets, in addition to targeting citizens' property....Read more.

Five men imprisoned after night raids in Beit Furik

On Tuesday 7th of May the Israeli army invaded Nablus and the nearby village of

"Nothing forbidden for them, but nothing allowed for us"

Settlers from the illegal colony of Shilo set fire to land belonging to the nearby village of Qaryut. Around 25 families own land in this area. The land contained wheat crops and olive trees and is next to land previously stolen by settlers, which they had been cultivating for themselves only two days before.



Ilegal Shilo settler Moshka takes pictures of his handiwork, torching Palestinian land (photo by Qaryut villagers)

Red Crescent paramedics went to the scene of the fires at around 6pm, where



Old olive press in Talfit

Qabalan and Talfit show their lives under occupation

Israeli occupation has created different problems for Talfit and Qabalan. Talfit is proud of its history and wants to protect it from Israeli army night incursion that seeks to appropriate it, as Qalaban struggles to provide water to its population... Read more.

The Oslo Accords - still dead in Nablus

Nablus was disturbed by two army jeeps driving in a circuit round the city centre and shooting tear gas at young men, with no clear intent than to harass them for around three hours. Shooting and

Beit Furik and arrested 9 men. The men, between the ages of 18 and 22, are all members of the PLFP. One man from Beit Furik was released a few hours following his detention, the others remain held at the Huwwara military base without charge.... Read more.

many villagers had already arrived hoping to put out the fires. However they were prevented from doing so by four settlers and half a dozen soldiers who had turned up to protect the settlers. Villagers were made to stand and watch their future harvest go up in flames... Read more.

sound bombs were heard beginning at 01:45. Two Israeli military jeeps circled around one block in central Nablus for three hours shooting tear gas and sound bombs.... Read more.