

Israeli Troops Demolish Palestinian Structures in West Bank



Ramallah, June 23 (RHC)-- Israeli forces have once again attacked Palestinian property in the occupied West Bank, demolishing two structures in Salfit district. Abdul Hamid al-Dik, the district governor, said bulldozers escorted by Israeli troops entered Khirbet Susiya on the outskirts of Kafr al-Dik Village on Sunday and destroyed an agricultural storage room belonging to a Palestinian.

In a similar move, Israeli forces raided the village of Haris and demolished a structure used as a car wash, he said. The Palestinian official said that the demolition was carried out under illegal pretexts in an attempt to pave the way for Israel to expand illegal settlements across the occupied Palestinian territories.

Israeli settlers, mostly armed, regularly attack Palestinian villages and farms and set fire to their mosques, olive groves and other property in the West Bank under the so-called "price tag" policy.

Price tag attacks are acts of vandalism and violence against Palestinians and their property as well as Islamic holy sites by Israeli settlers.

The Tel Aviv regime continues to press ahead with its illegal settlement activities in the occupied Palestinian territories despite a global outcry. The United Nations and most countries regard the Israeli settlements illegal since the territories in which they are built were captured by the regime in a 1967 war and are thus subject to the Geneva Conventions, which forbid construction on occupied lands.

More than half a million Israelis live in over 120 settlements built since Israel's occupation of the Palestinian territories in 1967.

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