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## Popular Struggle Coordination Committee

## About PSCC

The Popular Struggle Coordination Committee formed by prominent activists in the popular committees from all over the Occupied Territories and across the Palestinian political spectrum. PSCC presents a unique form of community based organization with resistance in the tradition of the first Palestinian Intifada in its soul. These diverse, non-partisan committees lead community resistance and resilience against the Israeli occupation in various forms, such as marches, strikes, demonstrations, direct actions and legal campaigns, as well as supporting boycott, divestment and sanctions.

This weekly newsletter highlights main activities and news related to popular struggle in the occupied territories. For more info and other stories visit our or Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/PopularStruggle](http://www.facebook.com/PopularStruggle)



## Ofer Military court sentenced Mohammed Al khatib and Ja'far Hamail for participating in a peaceful marsh and planting trees

Mohammed khatib and Ja'far Hamail was sentenced in offer court to be release if they pay the bond; 7500 shekels each, and the trail will be continued. The reason behind arresting the member of the Popular Struggle Coordination Committee Mohamad Al Khateeb and the activist Ja'far Hamail is that they both participated in the nonviolence marsh in Tormos Ayya and planted trees where Ziad Abu Ain was killed.

## Israeli military bulldozers demolished six makeshift structures belonging to Palestinians in a Bedouin village



Israeli army forces stormed the area and demolished four residential shanty houses, and two others that were being used to raise sheep, claiming that they were built without permits in Area C .

The army also informed the villagers that it plans to raze other houses if the people don't dismantle them.

Some 50 Palestinian families live in Jabal al-Baba, in an area labeled by Israel as "E1" - one of Israel's major settlement expansion plans that was approved by the Israeli authorities but was delayed due the international pressure.

If realized, the E1 plan, which aims to build new Jewish settlements on an area of 12,000 dunams, will link the settlements of Maale Adumim, Mishor Adumim and Kfar Adumim in the occupied West Bank to East Jerusalem.

One dunam of land is roughly equivalent to 1,000 square meters.

To achieve this, Israeli authorities plans to relocate many Bedouin communities to the Jordan Valley near Jericho.



## On Christmas celebrations we send messages to the world

The city where Jesus was born is still under apartheid occupation.

We celebrate Christmas with hope to show the world that we exist and we shall

continue to pursue our rights towards a just and lasting peace.

Despite of an occupation that controls our lives, and surrounding us with the apartheid wall. Despite the fact that Bethlehem's landscape, heritage and social fabric is besieged and under threat. Yet, we are still here struggling for justice, love, hope and peace.



## Israeli soldiers attack the Santa in Bethlehem

Today a marsh went from the nativity church to the checkpoint that separates Bethlehem and Jerusalem to give presents to the children of Jerusalem from the city of Birth.

But before the peaceful marsh reaches the checkpoint, the Israeli soldiers fired the participants and shot them with teargas bombs, which caused tens of injured between the participant.

Also a number of journalists were injured after targeted by Israeli occupation teargas and sound grenades during 'Santa' demonstration that took place near 300 Israeli checkpoint, North Bethlehem.



## Leftover Israeli tear gas canisters on Palestinian Christmas tree

BETHLEHEM, The Christmas tree in Bethlehem is different, not only because it is the place where Jesus was born but also because the Palestinians are in need for this beautiful routine to celebrate after a hard year.

On Tuesday some activists gathered and garnished a Christmas tree in Bethlehem's Manger Square, this time with leftover Israeli tear gas canisters and stun grenades from routine clashes in the city.

Decorating the tree with remnants

from Israel's suppression of non-violent protests is part of a Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions campaign to show the world the reality of Israel's. Moreover this activity aims to send to the world a message that this Christmas we are asking the world for is the same we have requested for the past 67 years: Justice and freedom. In order to achieve it, Israel must be held accountable and Palestinian rights should be honored.





## On Going

# Resistance

Children of Nabi Saleh Village want Santa to give them the gift of freedom.

26, december, 2014, The nonviolence demonstration in Nabi Saleh was tended to be Santa March where the villagers along with foreign activists and the children who wore Santa suits were calling for stopping the settlements. IOF stopped on the main road fired the participants with teargas bombs and rubber bullets, which caused tens of injured between the Participants.

Santa was violated in Al Masara

Bethlehem today is surrounded on three sides by Israel's eight-metre-high concrete wall, the city is also encircled by 22 illegal Israeli settlements. If Jesus were to come this year, Bethlehem would be closed.

Almasara a small village located to the south of Bethlehem is one of many villages that have developed Popular Committees to nonviolently resist construction of "apartheid wall." And this time the popular committee in Al Masara called for a Santa march to send the message of hope love, but still the IOF faced Santa march with violence and teargas, the Israeli soldiers hit the Palestinian guys who wore Santa, and stormed some houses in the village

Does Christmas visit Bil'in?

The weakly demonstration was launched with the slogan against the Israeli crimes, against the theft of the land, the apartheid wall and the occupation, some participants wore special clothes for Santa Claus and they raised photos for martyr Zyad Abu Aen .

The Israeli occupation forces were there before the beginning of the peaceful, hundred of teargas canister followed by sound grenades and rubber coated bullets to stop the march. This dozens of soldiers and jeeps waited, always more close to the village, to prevent the participants from reaching the area close to the wall. The soldiers attacked the demonstrators and chased them in jeeps in order to arrest them, The clashes continued for hours.



## MERRY CHRISTMAS KELLY FROM OCCUPIED PALESTINE

The international supporters with Palestine are being stopped on the Israeli airport, and some of them are not allowed entering the Palestinian land, Israel even blocks activists and pro-Palestinians from boarding flights. They send the activists back to their countries after a long security procedure, they are questioned several times.

On 2012, Up to 1,500 Palestinian supporters have planned to visit the West Bank as part of a campaign called "Welcome to Palestine 2012."

The campaign aims to protest against Israel's occupation of Palestinian territories. Israel has denounced the activists as 'provocateurs,' and promised to deny them entry.

Israel also forced European airlines to cancel the tickets of pro-Palestinian activists. British airline was joined by Lufthansa, Air France and Easyjet in canceling the tickets of suspected participants on the orders of Israel.

Many supporters are not just prevented to enter through Ben Gurion airport but also they are blocked for more than 10 years, like Ricardo from (SCI - Servizio Civile Internazionale) organization that supports Palestinians, he was prevented to come to Palestine for 10 years. The same as Kami Fares, Italian who forcibly deported from Ben Gurion Airport on October 2014, and got a 10 years ban in entering Israel-Palestine.

Kelly Lynn also was sent back to her country last week and

there for Palestinians are going out in the streets to demonstrate for her right to visit Palestine. And they send her a letter that says:

"Kelly Lynn, we all wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We were expecting to have you among us to celebrate Christmas together. But as you know this is one of the meanings of living under occupation.

The following are some sentences, thoughts we heard from you friends, we thought to send it to you as Christmas gift.

"Kelly's Christmas gift from Israel: Denied Entry"

"My Christmas Wish was; to spend it in Bethlehem but Israel decided I did not deserve a Christmas Gift"

"MERRY CHRISTMAS KELLY FROM OCCUPIED PALESTINE"

