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A statement for immediate release issued by
Human Rights and Democracy Media Center "SHAMS"

**About the plans of the occupation's state to deport the West bank
Bedouins and collect them in Abu Dees to the east of Jerusalem**

**SHAMS center warns of ethnic cleansing policy against West Bank
Bedouins**

SHAMS Center **emphasizes** that Israeli measures through which it deports the Palestinians constitutes a violations against International Bill of Human Rights, and International Humanitarian Law. Especially Fourth Geneva Convention article "49" according to it, obligatory collective or individual deportation for is prohibited from the territories of the occupation to other occupied or unoccupied lands regardless of the reasons.

Accordingly, Israeli occupation ignores the International Law as well as other treaties signed with the PLO. Arbitrary measures of the Israeli occupation are old plans which have aimed to continue settlements to put restrictions against establishment of the independent Palestinian state and to separate Palestinian lands into cantons.

SHAMS Center **calls** the Palestinian National Authority for turning toward the international level so as to put the friendly countries in the picture, and to inform them regarding the abusive measures adopted by the Israeli occupation against the Palestinians which aim to empty the land from its original residents. The center also calls the PNA to include the Bedouin gatherings and its needs within its national development plans, to supports citizens and enhance their steadfastness in addition to



Provide necessary logistic and financial support through implementing development projects.

SHAMS Center **demands** the international community headed by the United Nations, European Union and regional organizations to stand firmly against the Israeli arbitrary abusive measures. which aim to displace thousand of Palestinians Bedouins from their lands forcibly, and to gather them on the lands of Abu Dees governorate. Concurrently, Israel keeps violating against International Humanitarian Law by targeting innocent citizens, expanding settlements, destruction of homes, confiscation of lands, forbidding permissions, closing crossings, cutting trees, seizing the natural wealth, building the apartheid wall and the dismemberment of the homes land. In light of disregarding the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people adopted by the international legitimacy since 1948.

SHAMS Center **admonishes** of the danger of these measures which represent the beginning of additional occupation measures aiming to expand the control of settlers on the Palestinian lands. Through separating and confiscating lands which represent human rights violations, and this measure will also prevent thousands of families from its only source of living which will be reflected negatively on the increasing rates of unemployment between Palestinian citizens.

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