

## Israel's "Security" Wall: Another Land Grab

March 2004

Israel's goal in building the "security" wall is twofold: (1) to confiscate Palestinian land in order to facilitate further colony expansion and unilaterally redraw geopolitical borders and (2) to encourage an exodus of Palestinians by denying them the ability to earn a living from their land, by denying them adequate water resources, and by restricting freedom of movement to such extent as to make remaining in the town or village an unviable option.

The first phase of the wall's construction is complete. If the wall were truly about security, the wall would have been built on Israel's 1967 pre-occupation border (the "Green Line"). However, the wall is not being built on the Green Line, but rather well within Occupied Palestinian Territory.

### Facts on the Wall:

#### Upon Completion

Projected Length of Wall: 788 km, double the length of the Green Line.[1]

Location of Wall: Only 6% of the wall will be within 100 meters of the Green Line.

Projected Land to be de facto Annexed into Israel: 43.5% of the Occupied West Bank

Projected Percentage of Settlers Outside Wall: 88%

Projected Percentage of Palestinians 84.1%

to be

Trapped in Wall:

Projected Number of Palestinians Trapped Between the Wall and the Green Line: 343,300 (14.9% of the Palestinian population). This figure includes a projected 93,000 Palestinians who will live in double-walled areas.

Projected Number of Palestinians who will be Separated from their Land by the Wall: 522,000 (22.6% of the Palestinian population)

Current:

Length of Wall: 186 km

Number of Palestinians Trapped Between the Wall and the Green Line: 13,332 living in 18 towns/villages.

Location of Wall: To date, more than 124 km of the Wall is more than 1 km east of the Green Line.

Acres of Land Confiscated for Wall Construction: approximately 8,000

Acres of Land Isolated between Wall and the Green Line: 25,153

Number of Homes Demolished or Under Threat of Demolition for Wall Construction: Approximately 75

Number of Trees Destroyed for Wall Construction: 102,320 (of which 83,000 were olive trees)

Number of Damages Greenhouses: 546

Number of Businesses Demolished for Wall: 124

Construction:

Number of Water Wells 50 supplying half of the water in which  
the Wall is located.  
Confiscated or Behind the Wall: