

## OUTSTANDING OPERATIONS

Below we list some of the more outstanding operations for July: (1) On July 4, there was an explosion in a restaurant frequented by Israeli soldiers in Qalqilia, injuring fifteen soldiers. (2) An explosion at the Haifa power station on July 9, burned part of the station and cut off the power supply to some areas. (3) On July 12, the Israeli civil administration building in Jabalia camp, Gaza Strip, was hit by a molotov cocktail. (4) An Israeli female soldier was stabbed in Haifa on July 12. (5) A gang of settlers riding motorcycles through Jericho on July 17, was attacked by molotov cocktails. (6) An explosive charge detonated near the Akka power station on July 17 started a fire which spread and caused damage in the surrounding area. (7) There was an explosion on a bus carrying twenty passengers in Jaffa on July 21. (8) Suha Rafiq Al Ghool, an agent working for the Gaza police, was shot on July 27. (9) A car bomb targeted Hasan Abu Rokn, director of Shatta prison in Akka, injuring him and destroying his car, on July 28. (10) On July 30, a Palestinian girl stabbed a Zionist settler with a knife in Khan Younis in the occupied Gaza Strip.

## AUGUST

In August, Palestinian freedom fighters continued their attacks on the occupation forces in Palestine. The Zionist authorities acknowledged 39 military operations, causing the death of two Israeli soldiers, 18 injured and five missing. In the part of Palestine occupied in 1948, twelve operations, or one-third of the total, were carried out, despite the strict security measures of the Zionist state.

An outstanding anti-occupation attack occurred in Qalqilia. Palestinians threw molotov cocktails inside an Israeli vehicle at short range, critically injuring an Israeli airforce engineer and his wife, and burning the vehicle. In Tel Aviv, a Palestinian woman stabbed an Israeli settler and disappeared. The authorities declared a state of emergency in the city and embarked on a search for the woman. An explosion caused a textile factory in the Negev (South Palestine) to burn down. Losses were estimated in the millions of

shekels. In Haifa, Palestinians were able to infiltrate the port area and plant explosives in the main office of the Israeli navigation company. Israeli firefighters were not able to contain the blaze, and the whole building burned down.

five bullets at short range from a 9 mm gun, while driving a military vehicle on the way to his office. He died instantly. The authorities imposed a strict curfew and closed Gaza port. Israeli intelligence men combed the city and arrested 400 Gazans in a futile attempt to



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The single most outstanding operation of the month targetted the chief of police in Gaza, who was also responsible for Ansar II prison there. On August 2nd, he was shot in broad daylight in the middle of Gaza City. The Zionist authorities announced that Lieutenant Ron Thal, 23 years old, was hit with

find the militants. This operation was a shock for the Zionist leaders. The army prohibited Israeli soldiers from travelling alone, and the authorities decided to transport soldiers and settlers between Tel Aviv and the Gaza Strip, by sea.

## Mass Resistance

In August, there were a series of confrontations between the Palestinian people and the Israeli forces in occupied Palestine. Two Palestinians were killed and 35 injured. One of those killed was a seven-year old boy who stepped on an Israeli-planted land mine while returning to his village, Aqraba, in the Nablus area. The other martyr was shot by an Israeli patrol on August 22nd, also in Nablus.

On August 13th, there was a massive demonstration in front of Vishone prison, protesting the arrest of a Palestinian resident in Haifa. The demonstrators chanted slogans for the PLO and raised Palestinian flags.

On August 17th, all shops in East Jerusalem closed in solidarity with the Jerusalem Electricity Company, to protest the Israeli decision to restrict its

concession. The strike was the biggest for a long time.

There was a series of demonstrations in Nablus the last week of August, in protest of the Zionists' shooting of a Palestinian on August 22nd. The demonstrations turned into street battles between the Palestinians and the Israeli occupation forces. The masses used sticks, stones and empty bottles to confront the occupiers' tear gas and bullets. Three Palestinians were injured, among them a woman and child.

In 1948 occupied Palestine, Palestinian children began the new school year with a strike on September 1st, protesting lack of classrooms, facilities and teachers. According to Israeli radio, 230,000 students stayed away from school, closing 460 schools. The municipal council offices in Palestinian towns also closed, protesting lack of state funding to the Arab sector.