

# Day of the Land Celebrations

## *No to Occupation, No to Capitulation*

On the eighth anniversary of the Day of the Land, our Palestinian masses in occupied Palestine renewed their commitment to the struggle and expressed their determination to remain on their land.

On this occasion, throughout all of Palestine, in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip; in the Galilee, the Triangle and Naqab, the Palestinian voices were shouting slogans of unity against occupation and all its repressive racist policies. Other slogans were asserting the Palestinian strong will and determination to continue the struggle in all its forms till liberation. Also, slogans were raised condemning the practices of the right wing Palestinians and their deviating trend.

Prior to the Day of the Land various demonstrations and protests took place leading to the special events of the day. Our masses went out in the streets singing Palestinian national songs, raising Palestinian flags and burning tires to make road blocks. The occupation authorities, had admitted that the demonstrations were quite large. A Zionist military spokesperson admitted that three soldiers were wounded when their military car was hit by a hand grenade in the Jabaliyah camp in the Gaza Strip. At the same time, Palestinian sources asserted that seven Palestinian nationalists had been wounded by Zionist soldiers who fired at the camp residents who had gathered soon after the above mentioned incident.

At the same time, the Zionist soldiers fired at a demonstration in the Ein Beit Alma camp near Nablus, which led to the injury of two Palestinian youths, Naser and Hassan Mohammed Ahmad Saed. There were also various clashes between Palestinian nationalists and the Zionist authorities in the West Bank and Gaza. The Palestinian press agency in

Jerusalem stated that the occupation authorities fired bullets and used tear gas to disperse mass demonstrations in the Aljalazon camp near Ramalah, after camp residents closed the camp entrance with burning tires.

The agency also stated that a Palestinian student had been wounded in the town of Beit Sahour, near Bethlehem, when the enemy attempted to disperse demonstrators. The Zionist authorities admitted that they had ordered the closure of one of the secondary schools in the town, after the Israeli patrol cars had been stoned. The enemy also admitted that one of its soldiers had been injured when his patrol car was stoned in the town of Halhool near Hebron.

Simultaneously, the Zionist authorities conducted large scale arrests in the West Bank and Gaza, which were turned into Israeli military

barracks as was described by the press agency.

Reports coming from the occupied territories stated that on the eve of the eighth anniversary of the Day of the Land, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip were turned into real grounds of war. The report added that the Palestinian nationalists challenged the Israeli bullets with stones and iron rods. The report asserted that the Zionist military ruler of Nablus was injured when his car was bombarded with stones. Also, it was reported that the demonstrators used loud speakers to broadcast the national and folk songs.

In the town of Sakhnin, in the central Galilee, various demonstrations were held where Palestinian flags were raised. The enemy radio broadcast stated that the demonstrators closed all the main roads leading to the villages and towns of Galilee.

*The people of Galilee demonstrate against repressive policies*

