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Jewish settlers burn Palestinian olive trees, IOF troops round up more civilians

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NABLUS, (PIC)-- Settlers of the Israeli settlement of Itamar, south of Nablus city, on Sunday burnt olive groves in the village of Awarta as Israeli occupation forces continued to kidnap Palestinian citizens in the West Bank.

Hebrew media reported that owners of those trees had agreed with the IOF and the so-called civil administration of the West Bank to harvest their olive trees next month but the settlers were quick to burn those trees on Sunday. Local sources reported that the Israeli settlers burnt 70 dunums planted with olive trees.

Meanwhile, IOF soldiers at dawn Monday kidnapped four citizens in Attil village, north of Tulkarem after a large-scale search campaign in the village homes.

Other IOF units stormed the city of Tulkarem and the village of Allar but no arrests were reported.

IOF troops also raided the city of Qalqilia and searched a number of shops while in Nahalin village west of Bethlehem soldiers destroyed a civilian car and broke into and ransacked many houses.

A local source in Rashayda village, southeast of Bethlehem, reported that IOF soldiers kidnapped a 52-year old man at dawn Monday.

Witnesses in El-Bireh city said that IOF troops roamed the city's streets on Sunday night.



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