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**MERIP Reports** has covered developments in the occupied territories extensively; readers should consult the indexes to volumes one through twelve for a complete listing. Major articles include the following:

Uri Davis, "Settlements and Politics under Begin," #78 (June 1979).

Sarah Graham-Brown, *et al.*, "The Palestinian Dilemma," #115 (June 1983).

\_\_\_\_\_, *et al.*, "Palestinian Politics and Class Formation," #74 (January 1979).

Jamil Hilal, "Class Transformation in the West Bank and Gaza," #53 (December 1976).

Mary Khass, "Gaza under Occupation," #65 (March 1978).

Joan Mandell, *et al.*, "Palestinians Confront the Treaty," #83 (December 1979).

Sheila Ryan, "Israeli Economic Policy in the Occupied Areas," #24 (January 1974).

Salim Tamari, "West Bank Politics and Social Forces," #100-101 (October-December 1981).

Don Will, "Ideology and Strategy of the Settlements Movement," #92 (November-December 1980).

### Other Periodicals

In addition to several sources of news and press translations from Israel noted in *MERIP Reports* #114—especially *Israleft* and *Israeli Mirror*—the most important English language source on the occupied territories is the English-language weekly edition of *Al-Fajr*. It frequently contains information censored from Arabic or English Jerusalem editions of this leading nationalist newspaper. Subscriptions are available from 2025 Eye St. NW, Suite 925, Washington, DC 20006. Another useful source is the monthly *Israel & Palestine* (B.P. 130-10, 75463 Paris, Cedex 10, France).

For current press translations, documents and analytic articles, the *Journal of Palestine Studies* is indispensable. Among recent issues, numbers 41 (Autumn 1981) and 42 (Winter 1982) are particularly useful, with important articles by Salim Tamari, Janet Abu-Lughod, Ibrahim Matar and others.

For persons who read Arabic, the important West Bank publications are *Al-Fajr* and *Al-Sha'b* (nationalist dailies), *Al-Tali'a* (Communist weekly) and *Al-Quds* (conservative, pro-Jordanian daily). *Al-Ittihad*, the Israeli Communist daily, also has good coverage of the territories. Birzeit University publishes an archive of clippings—three volumes every quarter—from the West Bank Arabic press, with occasional Hebrew and English items. Birzeit

will send this regularly to any library on an exchange basis.

### Books and Articles

American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, *The Bitter Year: Arabs under Israeli Occupation in 1982* (Washington, DC 1983). A documentary account of violations of human and civil rights in the West Bank, Gaza, Golan and Lebanon.

American Friends Service Committee, *A Compassionate Peace* (New York: Hill and Wang, 1982). Includes a comprehensive, carefully considered and closely reasoned critique of Israeli behavior in the occupied territories. A good introduction to the subject.

Mu'in Basisu, *Descent into the Water* (Belmont, MA: Arab-American University Graduates, 1980). Memoir of Palestinian nationalist and communist activity in Gaza under Egyptian occupation, by a leading Palestinian poet and member of the Communist Party there.

Meron Benvenisti, *Jerusalem, The Torn City* (Jerusalem: Isratypeset, 1976). An account of Israel's "unifying" of Jerusalem, by the city's former vice-mayor.

\_\_\_\_\_, *The West Bank and Gaza Strip Data Base Project: Pilot Study Report, 1982* (typescript). A survey of official Israeli sources and published material, focusing on the issue of settlements.

David Hirst, *The Gun and the Olive Branch: The Roots of Violence in the Middle East* (London, 1977). This general account of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict deals briefly but well with the occupation.

Jonathan Kuttab and Raja Shehadeh, *Civilian Administration in the Occupied West Bank: Analysis of Military Order #947* (Ramallah: Law in the Service of Man, 1982). A thorough analysis of the order establishing the "Civilian Administration" in the West Bank. Also examines the range of Kafkaesque military orders issued since 1967 which affect every aspect of West Bank life.

\_\_\_\_\_, *The West Bank and the Rule of Law* (International Commission of Jurists, 1980). A meticulous review of judicial changes under the occupation which recounts in considerable detail how the military government violates basic rights of West Bank residents.

Felicia Langer, *With My Own Eyes* (London: Ithaca Press, 1975) and *These are My Brothers* (London: Ithaca Press, 1979). An Israeli lawyer and consistent advocate of Palestinian rights recalls the experiences of her clients—Palestinians accused of resistance—in Israeli courts and prisons.

Ann Lesch, *Political Perceptions of the Palestinians in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip* (Washington: Middle East Institute, 1980). A fairly authoritative account of public opinion in the occupied ter-

ritories, by one of the most knowledgeable Americans writing about the subject.

Menachem Milson, "How to Make Peace with the Palestinians," *Commentary* (May 1981). Largely on the basis of this article, which suggests how Israel might alienate the West Bank population from the PLO, Ariel Sharon appointed Milson as civilian administrator there. Milson resigned in the fall of 1982.

National Lawyers' Guild, *Treatment of Palestinians in Israeli Occupied West Bank and Gaza* (New York, 1978). A comprehensive legal indictment of Israeli policy towards the people of the occupied territories.

Raja Shehadeh, *The Third Way: A Journal of Life in the West Bank* (London: Quartet Books, 1982). An intensely personal chronicle that conveys the internal struggle between surrender and hate, by the co-author of legal analyses of Israeli rule noted above.

Ur Shlansky, "Eyewitness in Gaza," *Radical America* 17,1 (January-February 1983). An eloquent glimpse, in the form of a diary, of repression and rebellion in Gaza in late April 1982, at the time of the Israeli withdrawal from Sinai and the division of the town of Rafah. Originally appeared in *al-Fajr*.

Shabtai Teveth, *The Cursed Blessing* (London, 1969). A laudatory but interesting account of the establishment of the military government, by an Israeli army war correspondent close to Moshe Dayan, the architect of Israeli policy.

### Israeli Government Publications

Arie Bregman, Bank of Israel Research Department, *The Economy of the Administered Areas*. Published annually or bi-annually, these reports document the absorption of the economies of the West Bank and Gaza Strip into Israel.

Israel Central Bureau of Statistics, *Statistical Abstract of Israel* (annual). Contains a special section of data on the "administered territories," with valuable information on labor, trade and other subjects.

\_\_\_\_\_, *Administered Territories Statistics Quarterly*. Includes detailed information which may not appear in the annual abstract.

Israel Ministry of Defense, Coordinator of Government Operations in Judea and Samaria, Gaza District, Sinai, *A Fourteen Year Survey: 1967-1981*. This report on the activities of the military government in the civilian sector contains information on policies toward labor, agriculture and other issues.

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