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Partners' Update from Regavim

Dear Friends and Partners,

The temptation to 'pass the buck' is a constant, and procrastination is often far more appealing than actually buckling down and doing the dirty work that is sometimes necessary, but when the official functionaries of the Israeli government simply move on to the next item on their agenda and the media goes along with it, Regavim steps up to call them to task. In that vein, we recently exposed the truth behind the Palestinian Authority's mock-suspension of its "pay for slay" payments, and we shined a light on actual enforcement (or lack thereof) of Israel's law banning contact with UNRWA.

This month, as always, each of Regavim's divisions - research, legal, policy and parliamentary affairs, media and international - worked virtually around the clock, collecting data and producing analysis and policy recommendations that were presented to the public and to decision-makers in hard-hitting position papers, viral videos, digital and print media expose's and more.

In the midst of the "attention deficit disorder" caused by the incessant storm of news in Israel, we thank you for your deep engagement and attention, and for your partnership in our unique approach to protecting the Land of Israel.

Wishing us all a month of Adar that brings abundant good news, a month in which tragedy gives way to joy.

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**GOOD NEWS:
OUR JGIVE PLATFORM IS BACK!
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No Other Truth

Despite the fake news and anti-Israel narrative, truth will eventually prevail over lies

This past month, after nearly 3 decades of foot dragging and endless rounds of Regavim appeals, 9 illegal structures were demolished in IDF Firing Zone 918 in the south Hebron region, adjacent to the Jewish communities of Carmel and Ma'on. The structures were part of an illegal Palestinian Authority outpost - a precise replica of the outposts that star in the anti-Israel "documentary" that was recently awarded an Oscar. Media reviews of this modern-day blood libel have drawn on Regavim reports extensively to present the facts; read them [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#) for a taste, or see our report on the annexation of IDF Firing Zones 917 and 918 [here](#) >>>

REGAVIM EXPOSE'

**"The Police never come here, so there's no problem."
Regavim uncovers the single largest invasion of state land in Judea and Samaria**

In the Judean Hills, only 3 kilometers (less than 2 miles) from the Israeli town of Nehusha, on the "seam line" with Judea and Samaria, a massive chunk of Israeli state land has been overtaken by Arab construction in recent years.

The Israeli authorities have consistently ignored the de facto Palestinian annexation and our repeated demands for enforcement – so we petitioned the High Court of Justice to force the government to face reality and to take action before we wake up to find a gigantic, hostile Arab city just beyond the fence. We took the staff of Israel's Channel 14 out to see for themselves. Watch the Channel 14 expose' (Hebrew), [here](#) >>>

ACHIEVEMENTS

Exciting news: A new Israeli community is up and running - in a strategic spot between Jerusalem and Gush Etzion

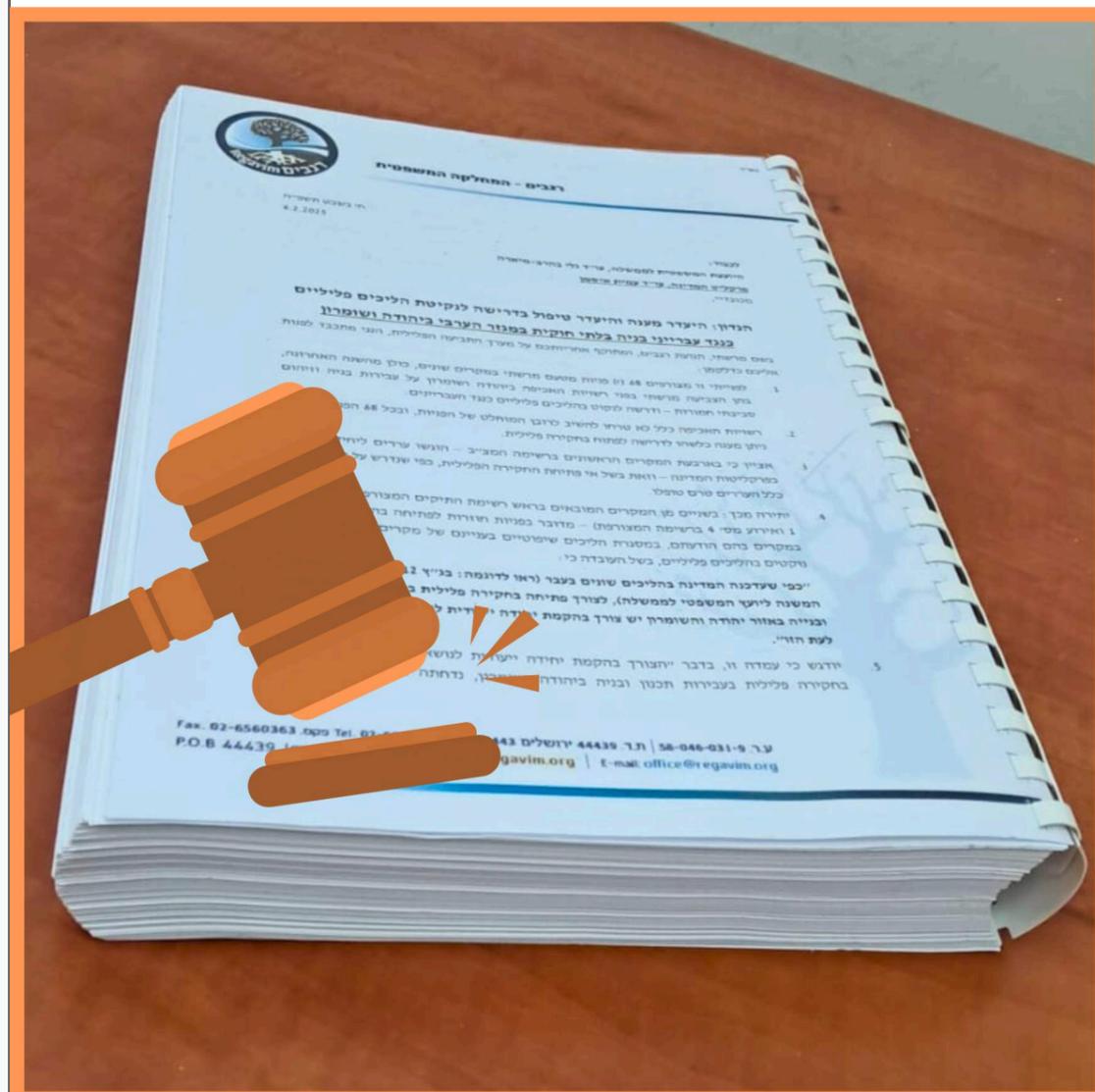
Years of unrelenting activism to protect the lands of Gush Etzion, **years of legal battles** to evict squatters from state land and private Jewish property in the area - years in which Regavim supported the Jewish farmers in the area, who stood their ground despite incessant harassment, theft, violence and disparagement – have finally brought the long-awaited results: The first group of families has taken up residence in the new Jewish community in Nahal Heltez. **Learn more here >>>** or check out (Hebrew) media coverage of this important achievement **here >>>**



Springtime for governance in Area C? Demolition at the seam line in western Shomron

The structure recently demolished by the Civil Administration is part of a much larger sprawl of construction adjacent to the Jewish community of Peduel. Kafr Ad-Dik, the nearby PA-controlled Arab village, has been annexing Area C land in a strategic location, threatening the communities of western Samaria on one side, and Rosh HaAyin on the other. We filed a petition against five massive structures and an illegal road (paved and illuminated by the United Nations, no less!). The case was set aside when the government promised to enforce the law at the site - at its own pace, according to its own priorities and timetable. We applauded the Shomron Regional Council for its tenacity. [More >>>](#)

LEGAL DIVISION

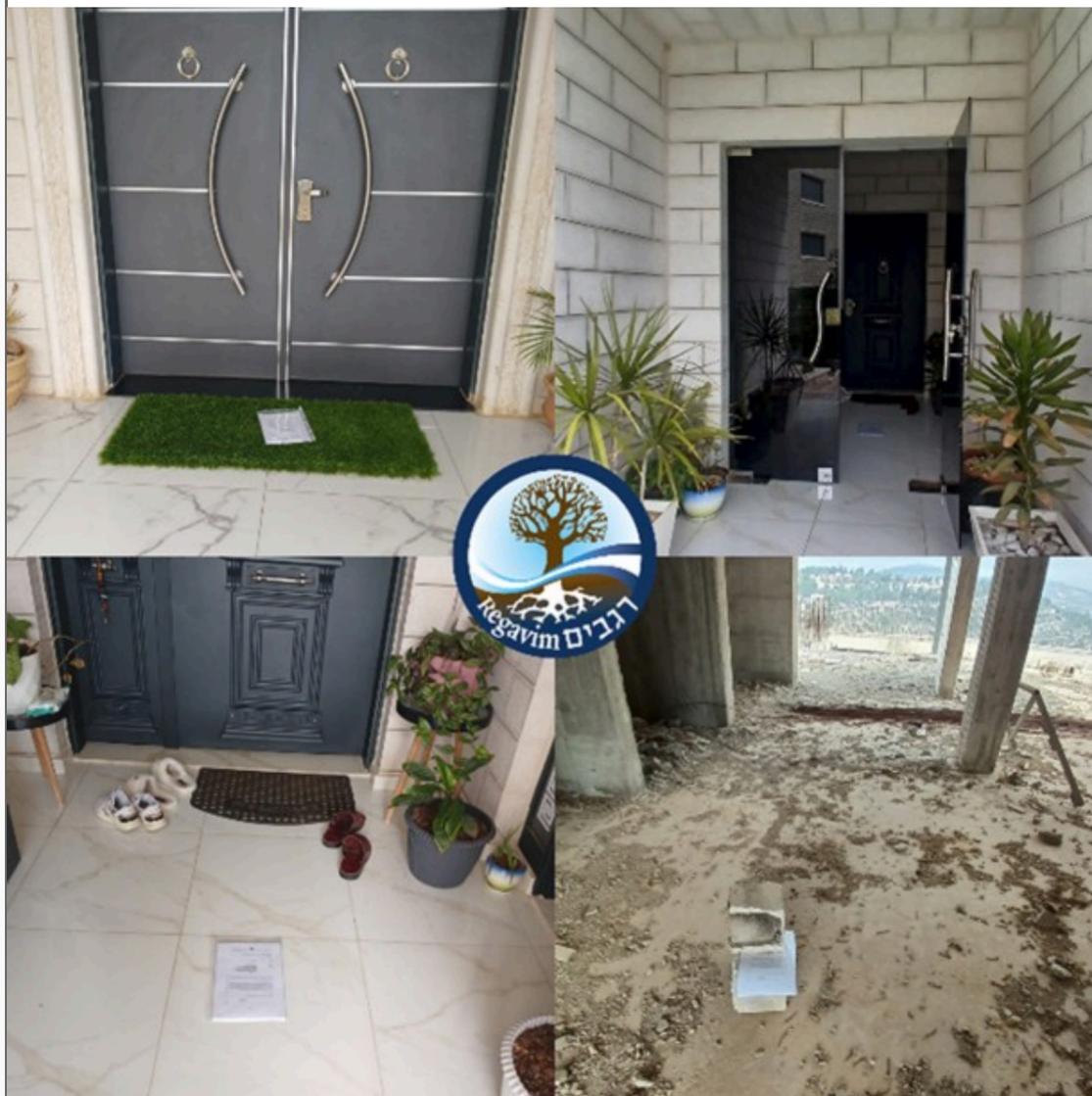


Hey- Attorney General: Do Your Job!

For years, we've repeatedly submitted to the Attorney General's Office cases that were opened (in 2024 alone we submitted 68 such cases) against construction offenders in Judea and Samaria, demanding that the offenders be brought to justice. The Attorney General's Office systematically ignores us.

Now, we have submitted all 68 cases en masse to the Attorney General's Office, demanding that it start doing what it should have been doing all along - its job. The dozens of files document construction offenses as well as serious environmental offenses, some of them on state land, that are destroying the landscape and the environment in Area C.

Will the sheer weight of this new submission shock the Attorney General's Office into action? Stay tuned for updates...



Dir Ibzia: The Wheels of Justice Have Been Set In Motion

Dir Ibzia is located in Area C, in the western Binyamin region near the "seam line." The cluster of massive, luxurious villas has created a stranglehold around nearby Jewish communities, a threat to motorists on adjacent roads and a looming danger to the Israeli communities on the other side of the "seam line." We presented copies of our petition to the squatters, as required by the court - and prepared a short explanatory video that viral. [Watch it here >>>](#)



The Battle for Area C Rages On

This past month we opened dozens of new case files on substantial new illegal construction throughout Judea and Samaria, and re-submitted dozens of complaints and pre-litigation warnings on open files. Each of these case files includes aerial photos, GIS-anchored maps indicating precise locations - and a clear and unequivocal demand that the authorities do their job and protect our national resources. Our field coordinators are out there every day, and together with our partners in the local and regional councils, do the crucial work of documentation and reporting.



Photo: Regavim

'October 6 mindset': New West Bank resorts near Israeli border worry officials

Security officials warn construction near security barrier poses significant risk; activists call for stricter enforcement to prevent violations reminiscent of those that preceded the October 7 attack



Elisha Ben Kimon | published: 02.06.25 | 20:43



On the way to your terrorist attack, why not stop for a bit of pampering?

What would you say if we told you that the chaos in Judea and Samaria has reached such monstrous proportions that Arabs had no trouble building a luxurious spa and resort right on the security barrier?

And what if we told you that deterrence has reached such a low point that the owner, Abdallah Odeh of Qalqilya, had no problem publicizing and advertising it on TikTok?

[Read the YNet expose' here >>>](#)

POLICY AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS



Repealing Jordanian Law #40, Legislating the Referendum Law for Judea and Samaria

This past month Regavim participated in Knesset Committee hearings on a wide range of issues, and brought our field work, research and analysis to the desks of decision makers at the highest levels of Israel's government. In hearings of the Constitution, Law and Justice Committee we spoke about illegal land grabs, permits for residential structures in grazing areas, a crucial debate in the Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee on our years-long battle to repeal Jordanian Law #40 that prohibits the sale of land in Judea and Samaria to Jews, a trailblazing discussion of racketeering and organized crime (a battle we've been fighting singlehandedly for far too many years), and a Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee discussion of the situation in Jerusalem neighborhoods beyond the security barrier. In addition, we participated in a hearing of the Knesset Caucus to monitor the disbanding of UNRWA and held important one-on-one meetings on important Zionist policy initiatives with Minister of Justice Yariv Levin, senior officials in the Jerusalem Municipality and MK Tvika Fogel. **Watch Regavim's Director of Policy and Parliamentary Affairs in action (Hebrew), in a hearing on the repeal of Jordanian Law #40 >>>**



What's going on in Jerusalem's backyard?

In conjunction with MK Kathrin Shitrit (Likud), we initiated a hearing of the Knesset Committee for National Security to discuss the celebrations and parades for released terrorists and the undermining of governance in east Jerusalem. We presented iron-clad data proving that the lack of enforcement and attention to what happens "beyond the fence" lead directly to terrorism. **Watch our Jerusalem Field Coordinator, Yehuda Noam, in action (Hebrew) >>>**



UNRWA: Not dear, not departed

Last month we celebrated the closure of UNRWA headquarters in Jerusalem - but that is far from the end of the story. In practice, there's still a long way to go before we can finally close the book on the long, painful story of UNRWA. To ensure that the practical steps that must be taken are actually carried out and the important laws passed by the Knesset are fully enforced, we joined the Knesset Caucus to Close UNRWA, and we've been talking to a range of influential Israeli media outlets to amplify the message. [Watch Naomi Kahn get to the root of the problem>>>](#)

RESEARCH DIVISION

כינוס המועצה המהפכנית של פתח
20.2.2025

גם אם יישאר לנו גרוש אחד הוא מיועד לאסירים ולשהיידים

תשלום עוקף רש"פ? השקרים של אבו מאזן

החוקים באחלקת «ערבית»

מאי 2023, טקס הסיום של מחדור "החירות" באוניברסיטת אלאסתקלאל

ולמהוללות חזקופות אחיות דלאל (תא סטודנטיות ע"ש המחבלת דלאל מוגרבי)

שנה מתוקה יא מלוד

מילאד וליד דקה תחנף ביום מילאדה ברמקה זכריא הזיידוי המחבל המשוחרר זכריא דבידי

What are the terrorists released in recent weeks up to, now that they're back in circulation? Regavim's Moran Tal tracked down one of the more infamous ones.

Zakria Zubeidi, who organized dozens of terror attacks during the Second Intifada while heading the al-Aqsa Martyr's Brigades in Jenin, was one of six prisoners who briefly escaped from Gilboa prison in 2021. Now back home, he celebrated the birthday of Malud Daqqa, daughter of Israeli-Arab Sanaa Salamah and the sadistic murderer of IDF soldier Moshe Tamam, Walid Daqqa, who died of cancer in an Israeli prison. Regavim's Arab World specialist exposed Zubeidi's rousing rendition of "Free Palestine" [here >>>](#)

The US government finally laid down the law to the Palestinian Authority: Clean up your act, or else. And then, the window dressing began...

Regavim's Research Division exposed the real story behind the Palestinian Authority's facade of compliance:

- **The end of "Pay for Slay"? Not on your life**

Although Mahmoud Abbas, President of the Palestinian Authority, "received media hosannas this month for his decree that the PA would revoke its "pay-for-slay" salaries for terrorists," in the words of the [Wall Street Journal](#), the truth was far less encouraging. Abbas quickly explained - but only in Arabic, of course - that the payment system was simply being restructured. "Even if we have one penny left, it is for the prisoners and martyrs. I will not agree, and you will not agree, to reduce any obligation, any interest or any penny given to them. They must receive everything, as it was in the past, and they are more precious than all of us!" [Click here for Abu Mazen's speech, with English subtitles.](#)

- **The New/Old Palestinian Authority leadership**

Qadura Fares, the PA's Commissioner of Prisoner Affairs, criticized the decree cancelling the longstanding pay-for-slay program; he was fired. But who was hired to replace him? Ra'id Abu Al-Humus, who immediately flew off to Cairo to meet with two of the terrorists released in the hostage deal who were guilty of such heinous crimes they were not even allowed into Gaza, Judea or Samaria. [Read more in Yisrael Hayom \(Hebrew\) >>>](#)

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The Negev Challenge: Digging down to the roots with Minister Amichai Chikli

Regavim's highly-acclaimed podcast series (in Hebrew) hosted Minister Amichai Chikli, the Minister responsible for the Bedouin Authority, and Regavim's Meir Deutsch, author of the game-changing volume on the Negev, **Bedouistan**, for a wide-ranging discussion of governance, loyalty and the complexities of the Negev. Listen - and watch! - on [Spotify](#), [Apple](#), [YouTube](#), or our [very own direct channel >>](#)

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