



322 violations against Palestinian Digital Rights

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Ongoing Censorship of Palestinian Content

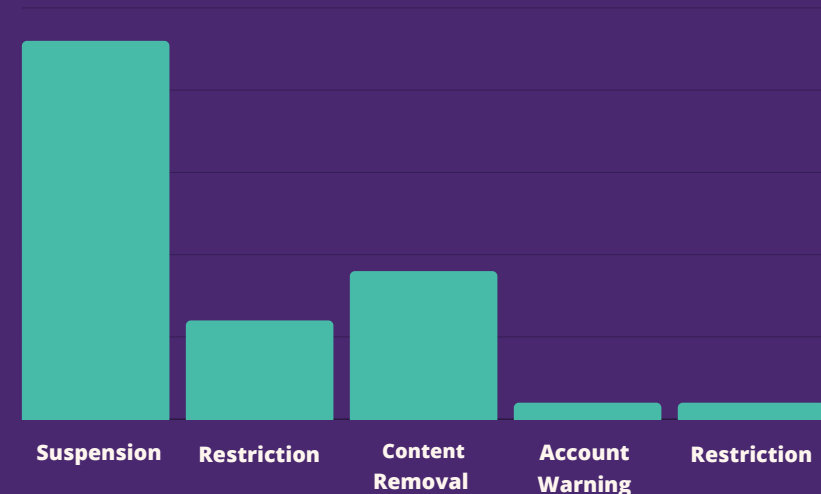
Incidents of digital violations against Palestinians have persisted, primarily stemming from actions emanating from social media companies. Throughout the month of June 7amleh meticulously documented a total of 322 violations. These encompassed 40 instances of censorship and 282 cases involving the dissemination of violent and harmful content and behaviors within the digital realm





Among the various forms of censorship of Palestinian content, the most imposed measures are account suspensions and restrictions

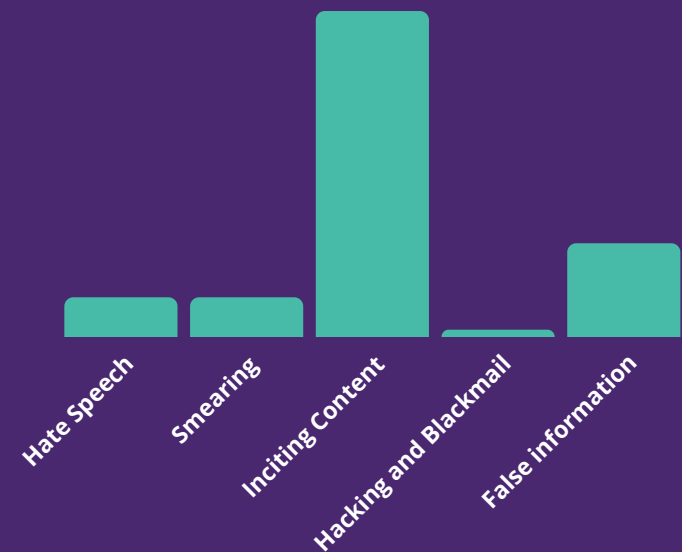
A range of punitive actions enforced upon Palestinian accounts exhibited a varied distribution across different social media platforms. Notably, the foremost repercussion involved the suspension of accounts, totaling 23 violations. Subsequently, there were 6 instances of account restrictions observed over the past month. Content removal was identified as a penalty in 9 cases. Furthermore, one case of warning was recorded. The remaining forms of penalties accounted for a collective total of one violation.





Among the forms of digitally harmful content and practices, most are in the form of hate speech and incitement

7amleh recorded a total of 181 instances of inflammatory content, predominantly originating from Israeli users. Most prominent was inciting content, with 181 instances. This was followed by 22 instances of hate speech. Furthermore, there were 22 instances of smearing. Additionally, a combined total of 4 violations involved account hacking and blackmail. False information 52 violations in addition to one gender-based violence





Meta accounted for more Censorship and Spread of Harmful Content than any other Social Media Company

7amleh meticulously tracked and recorded violations and harmful content across diverse social media platforms. Among these, Meta, encompassing its three primary platforms, was responsible for a significant portion, with 110 violations. Within this category, Facebook constituted 35 violations, Instagram contributed 74 , and WhatsApp displayed one violation. Alongside these findings, 7amleh documented 195 violations on X, 16 on TikTok. The remaining platforms collectively accounted for one violation.



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Others

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The majority of pages and accounts that were subjected to violations belong to personal accounts

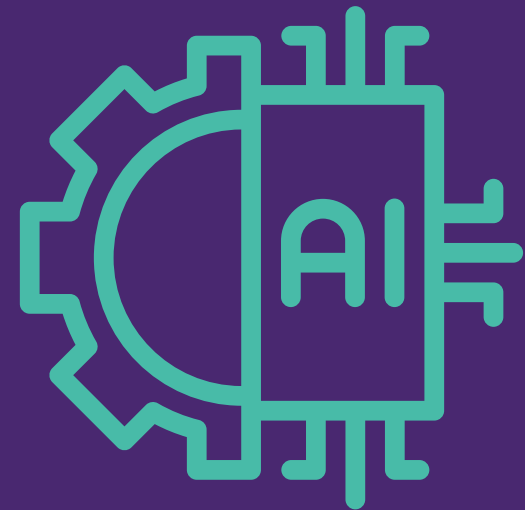
In the last month, personal accounts (profiles) faced 26 instances of content takedown or suspension/restriction, while pages encountered 13 violations, and other accounts 1 instance of censorship. In terms of harmful content such as hate speech, violence, and harmful digital behaviors, there were 269 instances posted by personal accounts (profiles), and 8 instances posted by pages, while other 5 instances were posted by groups.





AI language model

7amleh's AI language model has successfully detected over a million and 400 thousand instances of violent and hateful content in the Hebrew language across various social media platforms during the reporting period. This content specifically targets Palestinians and advocates for Palestinian rights.





Digital violations In Jerusalem

Of all the violations of Palestinian digital rights, 7amleh documented 6 violations in the city of Jerusalem. Most of those cases were violent content online against Jerusalemites.

Source: 7or - The Palestinian Observatory of Digital Rights Violations
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