**ISRAELI RESTRICTIONS ON PALESTINIAN FOOD SOVEREIGNTY AFFECT EVERY ITEM ON THIS TABLE**

### WATER

Israel controls West Bank water and routinely demoliishes water infrastructure; Gaza water 97% contaminated

### BLACK GOATS

Banned, seized, and slaughtered, 1950-2017, decimating subsistence base of Bedouin communities

### MILK, EGGS

Israeli quota system restricts market share of Palestinian farmers in Israel (1948 territory); Israeli products dominate market in West Bank & Gaza

### FISH

2,265 attacks by the Israeli navy on fishermen in Gaza’s restricted fishing zone, 2007-2021

### ZA’ATAR, SAGE, ‘AKOUB

Foraging banned; fines or prison time imposed

### GRAPES, EGGPLANTS, TOMATOES, ONIONS

In West Bank, subject to restrictive military orders since 1980s; discriminatory policies harm farmers’ ability to compete with produce from illegal Israeli settlements

### TOMATOES, STRAWBERRIES

Israel controls all imports and exports; restricts Gaza produce from reaching markets

### VEGETABLES

35% of Gaza farmland is inaccessible; 13,000 dunums damaged by herbicides

### OLIVES

Up to 1 million olive trees uprooted by Israeli military since 1967; in 2021 settlers vandalized or stole harvest from 1,600 trees

### MUSHROOMS

By holding up essential imports and charging port storage fees, Israel shut down a Palestinian mushroom farm in 2016

### WHEAT, MILLET, BARLEY

Israeli-controlled imports are overtaking locally adapted varieties and reducing biodiversity

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**THE COLONIZATION OF PALESTINIAN AGRICULTURE**

Under Israel’s system of apartheid, Palestinian food producers face expropriation of their land, forced displacement, denial of the right to water, denial of freedom of movement, attacks by Israeli military forces and settlers, and restricted access to markets, leading to food insecurity and the destruction of generations of Palestinian agricultural heritage in the Fertile Crescent.

**WHAT IS FOOD SOVEREIGNTY?**

Food sovereignty, a pillar of environmental justice, is the right of peoples to healthy and culturally appropriate food produced through ecologically sound and sustainable methods, and their right to define their own food and agriculture systems. Food sovereignty is key to ending hunger, food insecurity, poverty, and environmental harms perpetuated by colonialism and industrialized agriculture.