

## Wrapping up 2020 at Regavim

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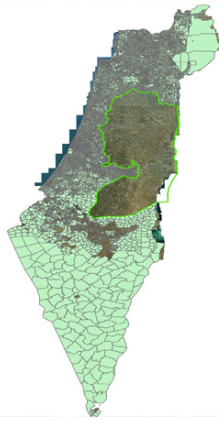
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## Core Agenda Items



### **The Battle for Area C**

Last year, the Political-Security Cabinet held a series of deliberations aimed at formulating a strategic response to the Palestinian takeover of Area C. Over the past year, we expanded the scope of our activities on this issue. [Read more>>>](#)



### Promoting Land Regulation in Judea and Samaria

In the past year, we invested tremendous effort in illustrating the crucial importance of renewing the process of land regulation in Judea and Samaria as the only way to preserve Israel's vital interests and jurisdiction while protecting individual property rights. [Read more >>>](#)



**Blocking the Repeal of the Kaminitz Law** - We successfully blocked attempts by MKs of the United Arab List to repeal the Kaminitz Law. [Read more >>>](#)



**The Negev Challenge** - In the last quarter of 2020, we launched a campaign to raise public awareness of the scope of illegal construction and the general atmosphere of lawlessness in the Negev. [Read more>>>](#)

**Click here to learn more about other key issues we addressed this year>>**

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## **Legal Division**



**Petition to repeal the racist law prohibiting sale of land to Jews** - The law passed by the Jordanian government in 1953 that prohibits the sale of land in Judea and Samaria to Jews - and only to Jews - is still in force today. At long last, Regavim has submitted a petition to the High Court of Justice to repeal this racist legislation. [See media coverage>>](#)

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**The Illegal School at Kisan.** This new petition involves a school built illegally on state land in Gush Etzion. Get more details [here](#), or follow press coverage of the case [here>>](#)

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**The Illegal School at Kochav HaShachar.** As part of our fight against the illegal schools being built by the Palestinian Authority in Area C, we filed a new petition against the PA's new "confrontation school" in the Kochav HaShachar quarry. Follow press coverage [here](#)>>

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**The Bir Zeit Scrapyard.** We petitioned the court regarding a gigantic, illegal automotive scrapyard near Bir Zeit, on land under Israeli jurisdiction (Area C), that is a major source of environmental damage caused by improper handling and disposal of toxic substances, fuel run-off and automotive effluents.

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**The Illegal Commercial Center at the Hizmeh Junction.** At the northern entrance to Jerusalem, an illegal commercial and industrial hub has sprung up over the past few years, gradually growing to include dozens of storefronts built along the highway



(Route 60). This commercial center is both a safety hazard and a daily nuisance, disrupting the flow of traffic at a very busy intersection and hindering Ministry of Transports plans to expand this heavily traveled section of the road and the entrance to the capital.

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**Illegal Businesses at Luban a-Sharkiyeh.** We filed a new petition against the illegal businesses built along the access road to Luban a-Sharkiyeh that pose a danger to motorists and pedestrians.

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**The Villa at Nabi Elias.** After we received a series of laconic responses from the authorities regarding a huge illegal villa built outside the village of Nabi Elias, we petitioned the court to issue a demolition order for the structure, and demanded law enforcement in the area.

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[\*\*Click here to read more about new petitions we filed this year, and see our full year-end summary\*\*](#)

**Field Division**



Our Regional Coordinators carried out intensive field work, building dozens of new case files on illegal construction, environmental abuse and land-use offences. [Here's a sample of some stand-out cases >>>](#)

## Preserving the Eternal



**Preserving the Eternal – A Coalition Dedicated to Preservation of Israel's Antiquities** - Last year, Regavim 'adopted' Preserving the Eternal, a start-up project that grew out of an ad hoc coalition of organizations and volunteers dedicated to combatting the looting, vandalism and systematic erasure of antiquities and heritage sites in Judea and Samaria. [Read more about 'Preserving the Eternal' activities over the past year >>>](#)

## Policy and Legislation Division





The past year has been shaped by deep political crisis as well as the corona crisis. Nonetheless, in 2020 we participated in more than 20 Knesset committee hearings, and hosted some 30 MKs on field tours all around the country. [Read more>>>](#)

## International Division



Regavim's International Division was created in order to make our research and other publications accessible to foreign audiences and to provide insight and analysis as well as factual, reliable resource materials to journalists, diplomats, foreign governments and public-opinion influencers around the world. [Learn more about the activities of our International Division>>>](#)

## Spokesperson and New Media Division



This year more than ever, in the shadow of unprecedented lockdowns and corona restrictions, our high-profile visibility in classic, sectoral, local and digital media was as important as our media presence on social platforms.

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