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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 December 2005 – 08:00 15 December 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassinations	_	4	4	During an air attack on Gaza city
Assassination Attempt	_	1	1	1 targeted civilian injured, Gaza city
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian severely beaten, 'Ayda RC
Injuries	3	3	6	Incl. 1 child & 2 Pal. security officers
Air Attacks	_	6	6	Incl. 2 by F16 combat aircrafts
Attacks	7	4	11	Incl. 2 from posts & 2 by naval boats
Raids	17	2	19	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem & 2 in K. Yunis
Air Patrols	_	8	8	Incl. 3 by Israeli army helicopters
Arrests	15	_	15	Incl. 1 wanted individual's child
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. 6 Palestinian Police officers
Land Levelling	_	1	1	East of 'Abasan al Kabira, K. Yunis
Wall Construction	27	_	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	5	7	Incl. 1 charitable association in Rafah
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	Files and CDs in Hebron
House Occupation	3	_	3	2 in Qabatiya and 1 in Al 'Auja
Curfew	1	_	1	Over the town of Qabatiya in Jenin
Checkpoints	2	_	2	Incl. the checkpoint near 'Einav
Flying Checkpoints	12	_	12	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 4 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	8	_	8	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho partially
Closure of Main Roads	19	_	19	Incl. the Tulkarem-Nablus main road
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	Incl. Beit Hanun Crossing partially
School Disruption	3	_	3	Incl. 1 school surrounded in Tuqu'
Settlement Activity	*	_	_	*290 settler houses to be constructed
Settler Violence	1	_	1	3 sheep run over in Al 'Auja, Jericho
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	A checkpoint near 1 security office
Palestinian Attacks	_	2	2	3 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measure	1	_	1	2 illegal vehicles handed over
Demonstration	1		1	Against closing Bisan Crossing, Jenin
TOTAL	139	39	178	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Checkpoints: (i) Beginning at 17:30 on 08 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to close Qalandiya checkpoint and deny civilian access, except for those holding Jerusalem-issued IDs, after a Palestinian individual stabbed and killed an Israeli soldier at the checkpoint. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Beit Iksa checkpoint, impeding civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, around the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim, and west of the village of Al Jib. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim and searched civilians and vehicles.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud. Flying Checkpoints: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Rima and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Sinjil on the Ramallah-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and the other at the entrance to the village of Deir Abu Mash'al, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: The Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh and the town of Beituniya. Settlement Activity: The Israeli army issued an order for construction of 290 settler houses in the settlement of Modi'in 'Ilit, located near the village of Bil'in in the district of Ramallah.
JENIN	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access.

- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- Raids/Curfew/House Occupation: Beginning at 03:00 on 14 December 2005, the Israeli army remained positioned in the town of Qabatiya, continued to impose curfew, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians, including the child of an individual wanted by the Israeli army and Deputy Chairman of Qabatiya Municipality. In addition, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 1 civilian, as well as occupied 2 houses and converted them into military posts. At 15:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Qabatiya:
- (i) 'Izz ad Din 'Uweitat, 13 years old;
- (ii) 'Assef Mahmoud Abu ar Rub;
- (iii) Ahmed Hisham 'Assaf; and
- (iv) Mahmoud Rashed Kmeil.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 11:30, a mass demonstration took place in the villages of Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and other neighbouring villages. Protestors marched towards Bisan Crossing, leading to the Green Line, in protest against the Israeli army's closure of the crossing, which has prevented Palestinian trucks from transporting agricultural products into areas inside the Green Line.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr al Labad and the village of Al Hafasa and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khmeish.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the towns of Bal'a and Deir al Ghusun with cement blocks.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road near the junction to the settlement of 'Einav, denying access to civilian vehicles in both directions.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads connecting the town of Bal'a to the village of Al 'Attara, the town of 'Illar, and to Dahiyat Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

• Raids/Destruction of Property/Detentions:

- (i) At 17:15, Israeli Special Forces raided the town of 'Anabta, raided 1 coffee shop, and opened fired towards and injured 1 civilian. The Israeli army also arrested 3 civilians, including the injured civilian, detained several others, and released the detained civilians at 20:45.
- (ii) Beginning at 00:25, the Israeli army took position in the town of 'Illar, raided 1 house after demolishing its entrance, and opened fire inside the house. The Israeli army withdrew from the area at a later time.
- (iii) At 02:10, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem, searched a number of houses after detaining residents, and arrested 3 civilians. At 04:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

TULKAREM

	• Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of 'Anabta:
	(i) Ihab 'Ayesh, the civilian injured by the Israeli army;
	(ii) Rashad Bassem Milhem; and
	(iii) Zeid Waleed Isma'il.
	The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Tulkarem:
	(iv) Jawdat Munther al Madani;
	(v) Mahmoud at Tuhul; and
	(vi) Mohammed Rashad al Hamshari.
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	• Wall Gates:
	(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special
	Israeli permits.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma
	Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal
QALQILIYA	detector.
Q.I.E.Q.I.I.I	Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the
	village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
	• Palestinian Security Measure: Palestinian security forces handed over 2
	illegal vehicles, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities
	(through the DCO).
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	• Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district
	of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the
	settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced
	civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches
	off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-
	Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of
	Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya.
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	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Majdal
	Bani Fadil with dirt barricades.
	• Checkpoints/Detention: (i) The Israeli correct continues to reculete times for crossing Hyproxyces
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TVADLOS	Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city
	of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and
	reopens them at various morning hours, with the exception of Huwwara
	checkpoint where civilians are allowed only entry into the city around
	the clock.
	(ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara
	checkpoint, impeding civilian access. Israeli troops at the checkpoint
	also detained 2 Palestinian Police officers.
	• Flying Checkpoint/Detentions:
	(i) At 07:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan east
	of the city of Nablus, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian
	access. Israeli troops at the checkpoint also detained 1 Palestinian
	National Security officer, opened fire, and fired tear gas grenades
	towards civilians waiting on both sides of the checkpoint to cross.
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	 (ii) At 09:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Ijnisinya and Sabastiya and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops at the checkpoint also detained 4 Palestinian Police officers and released them after the DCO coordinated with the Israeli authorities. • Raid/School Disruption: At 08:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Madama and took position near the village's school during the school day. At 09:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area, after the DCO coordinated with the Israeli authorities.
	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village of Bruqin with dirt barricades. Checkpoints:
SALFIT	 Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours, impeding civilian access. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint, impeding civilian access. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. Raid: At 13:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Haris, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 14:10.
JERICHO	 Closure: Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army prevents farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for Jerusalem and Jericho ID holders. Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and impeded civilian access. Flying Checkpoint: At 19:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Road # 90 in the centre of the village of Al 'Auja and searched civilian vehicles. Raid/House Occupation: At 17:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Auja, occupied an uninhabited house that overlooks Road # 90, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also combed the area surrounding the village. Arrest: On 13 December 2005, Israeli troops positioned at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho arrested
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	• <u>Settler Violence</u> : At 09:30, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over 3 sheep belonging to Abdul Qader al Khawaja along Road # 90 in the centre of the village of Al 'Auja.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu'man in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the villages of Husan and Nahhalin with cement blocks. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala. Raids/School Disruption/Physical Assault: (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu' and surrounded the town's school, claiming that students had thrown stones at Israeli troops. (ii) At 14:30, Israeli Special Forces, supported by 6 jeeps, raided 'Ayda refugee camp and opened fire towards 1 child while raiding his family house, injuring him in the leg. The child fled. In addition, the Israeli army detained 1 child and severely beat 1 civilian who was then transported to hospital for treatment of injuries sustained. The Israeli army also surrounded the camp's school, detained students and teachers inside, and prevented them from leaving the school. At 15:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 19:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities Beit Jala and Bethlehem and the town of Al Khadr. Arrests: (ii) The Israeli army arrested Khader Ahmed Saqr in 'Ayda refugee camp. (iii) At 08:00, Israeli troops positioned at Al Khadr checkpoint arrested Suleiman Radaydeh.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army issued a military order to close civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles will also be prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles will be allowed unrestricted access on the road.

- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'.

• Flying Checkpoints/Detention:

- (i) At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Ar Ramadin, searched civilian vehicles, and detained a number of civilians.

• Raids/Destruction of Property/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Confiscation of Property:

- (i) At 14:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Bani Na'im. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire towards civilians, causing damage to an electricity transformer.
- (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Yatta and set up a checkpoint near the Palestinian Preventive Security office in the town. The Israeli army also opened indiscriminate fire while pursuing civilian vehicles in the town.
- (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Hebron, searched *Al Quds* Newspaper office, confiscated files and CDs, and arrested 1 employee at the office. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint in the area of Bir Haram ar Rameh, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 01:00.

• Arrests:

- (i) On 14 December 2005, the Israeli army arrested Salem 'Isa Isma'il in the village of Beit 'Einun, in addition to 1 Palestinian Police officer reported arrested yesterday.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Bassam Dweik in the city of Hebron.

GAZA STRIP

• Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open. • Air Attacks/Destruction of Property: (i) At 24:00, an Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards the area near the Agriculture School north of the town of Beit Hanun, injuring 2 Palestinian National Security officers. (ii) At 01:05, an Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired 2 missiles towards the entrance of Al Qarya al Badawiya north of the town of Beit Lahiya. (iii) At 02:40, an Israeli army helicopter fired 1 missile towards and

damaged 1 house in the town of Beit Lahiya.

	• Palestinian Attack: At 20:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	 Air Attacks/Destruction of Property/Assassination Attempt: At 16:00, an Israeli army UAV fired 3 missiles towards 1 civilian vehicle in the neighbourhood of Ash Shuja'iya in Gaza city, extrajudicially killing 4 civilians whose bodies were torn into pieces. The vehicle was also destroyed during the air attack. At 21:40, an Israeli army UAV fired 2 missiles towards 1 civilian vehicle in the neighbourhood of Ash Shuja'iya in Gaza city in a failed attempt to extra-judicially kill the civilians inside. 1 missile landed on and damaged 1 house and the other hit the targeted vehicle but did not explode. The air attack resulted in the injury of 1 targeted civilian and damage to the vehicle. Assassinations: The Israeli army extra-judicially killed 4 civilians in Gaza city: Hussam Nabeeh Abu Nada; Mohammed Ahmed Juha; Hamdan Mohammed Muhanna; and Rashad 'Adnan. Attack: At 20:45, the Israeli army fired 1 mortar from Point 73 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Gaza city. Air Patrols: At 16:40, Israeli army F16 combat aircrafts patrolled the skies over Gaza city. At 02:15, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the seashore of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	 Raids/Land Levelling: At 13:25, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles and 4 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory near Point 171 on the Green Line east of the village of 'Abasan al Kabira and levelled land. At 15:30, an Israeli army armoured vehicle raided 200 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 171 on the Green Line east of the village of 'Abasan al Kabira. Palestinian Attack: At 21:10, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions from 10:30 to 16:00 to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At 03:40, an Israeli army helicopter fired 1 missile towards and damaged the offices of 1 charitable association in the neighbourhood of Ash Shabura in Rafah refugee camp.

• <u>Attacks</u>: At 17:50, and again at 02:00, Israeli naval boats opened fire towards the beach of Al Qarya as Suwaidiya in the district of Rafah.

GENERAL

West Bank: The Israeli authorities renewed 6,809 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown. Gaza Strip: The Israeli authorities renewed 5,362 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the Israeli authorities only allowed 4,660 workers, approximately 87% of those possessing work permits, to access areas inside the Green Line.