مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 7 December 2003 – 08:00 8 December 2003

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	15 Year-old injured in Hebron
Attacks	6	8	14	
Raids	22		22	
Air Patrol	1		1	
Arrests (per person)	7		7	1 17 Year-old
Detentions	7		7	Hundreds of residents
Destruction of Property	1		1	
House Demolition	1		1	
Land Confiscation	2		2	For military position
Tree Uprooting	1		1	
Settlement Road	_	1	1	Settlement to military position
House Occupation	1		1	
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	10		10	
Closures (per District)	4		4	Incl. 1 area
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	_	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points		3	3	2 Open to workers only
Palestinian Attacks		2	2	Rockets in Gaza
Demonstration	1	_	1	Int'l. Solidarity v. Wall
TOTAL	65	14	79	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 <u>Closure</u>: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to civilians from other districts, preventing them from reaching holy sites in Jerusalem. <u>Separation Wall</u>: Israeli authorities continue construction of the separation wall in Abu Dis, Al Sawahira, Al Eizariya, Al Tur and Al Shayyah.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: At 13:00, the Israeli army closed the iron gate near the junction of An Nabi Salih, isolating the area of Bani Zeid (which includes the towns of Beit Rima, Deir Ghassana, Kafr 'Ein, An Nabi Salih and Qarawat Bani Zeid) from the city of Ramallah and other villages and towns. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint for an hour. Raids/Destruction of Property: At 11:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, where they searched a house and arrested 1 civilian. At 17:50, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the towns of Deir Ghassana, Kafr 'Ein and Beit Rima, where they opened heavy fire randomly before withdrawing at 22:40. At 23:50, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Rima. The Israeli army raided the village of Beit Liqya, where they searched several houses and vandalized the contents of the houses. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Fayiz Musa, a 22 year-old civilian from Beit Liqya.
JENIN	 Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Jenin/Haifa near the village of Ti'innik. At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Jenin/Nablus near the town of Arraba, where they detained dozens of vehicles until 17:00. At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the village of Al Zababida ash Shamaliya, preventing civilians including college students of the Arab American University from passing through until 17:00. At 09:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the junction of Sanur/Jaba' until 17:00. At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Bir al

	 Basha, which is still present as of 08:00 this morning. Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through gates especially in areas located behind the separation wall. Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the eastern neighborhood in the city and surrounded and searched several houses while opening random fire, and arrested 2 civilians before withdrawing at 04:15. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from the city of Jenin: Muhammad Al Zugheibi, 23 years old; and Raja Al Ghazal, 20 years old.
JERICHO	Activity not yet reported.
BETHLEHEM	 <u>Closures</u>: The Israeli army continues to close the southern entrance (Al Nashash), the Bethlehem/Hebron road. <u>Israeli Provocation</u>: At 17:00, an Israeli jeep entered the area of Al Sadder, and Israeli soldiers began provoking the Palestinian National Security in the area until the DCO on both sides intervened and the Israeli jeep was ordered to leave.
TULKAREM	 Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Ramin, where they detained hundreds of civilians. Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through gates especially in areas located behind the separation wall. Raids: At 16:00 and again at 03:40, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp. At 18:00, the Israeli army, supported by helicopters, raided Tulkarem city where they opened fire randomly and searched several houses before withdrawing at 05:30. The Israeli army raided the village of Far'un. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 brothers from the city of Tulkarem: Dr. Ahmad Sa'id Al Jallad, a 24 year-old dentist; and his brother Abdulla Sa'eid Al Jallad, an 18 year-old college student.
	• <u>Demonstration</u> : At 12:00, a demonstration took place south of the city, in the area of Irtah, in which foreign peace activists participated. The Israeli army dispersed the crowd of demonstrators by firing tear gas grenades.

	 Detentions: At 07:30, the Israeli army detained a civilian near the town of Beit Lid, east Tulkarem city, and took him to the settlement of Shave Shomron. At 18:50, the Israeli army detained 13 civilians from the city, including a doctor. At 01:45, all but 2 civilians were released. At 20:30, the Israeli army detained dozens of civilians in the city, ordering them out of their vehicles to wait in the cold.
NABLUS	 Closure: Nablus remains a closed military area. House Occupation: At 04:00, the Israeli army occupied a house in the city where it remained until 18:00. Raids: (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Osarin, where they searched several houses. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Zawata, where they searched a house and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested: (i) Arif Muhammad Adili, an 18 year old from the village of Osarin; and (ii) Ammar Abu Al 'Il'a, a 19 year old from the village of Zawata. Land Confiscation: The Israeli army confiscated 2 sections of land, near the village of Sad, covering an area over 2 dunums, on which the Israeli army set up a new military location. The land belongs to residents from the villages of Jit and Sarra.
HEBRON	 Flying Checkpoint: the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Hebron/Sa'ir, where dozens of civilian were detained for several hours. House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished a house in the village of Khirbet Fuqeiqis, west of the town of Dura, belonging to the civilian Ayed Abu Sharar. The house is 140 m². Raids: The Israeli army raided the village of Al Tabaqa, near the town of Dura, where they searched several houses. The Israeli army raided the neighborhood of Abu Seneina in the H1 area, where they searched dozens of houses forcing the residents outside in the cold for hours. Physical Assault: Israeli soldiers severely beat Ahmad Ashaq, a 15 year old, in the head with their rifle butts as he was trying to reach the house of his relatives located near the Ibrahimi Mosque in H2 area.
QALQILYA	<u>Closure</u> : At 08:50, the Israeli army closed the only eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya.

	 Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through gates especially in areas located behind the separation wall. (ii) At 06:00, the Israeli army closed the gate of 'Azzun 'Atma and set up a permanent checkpoint near the gate, completely isolating the villages located behind the separation wall.
SALFIT	 Raids: At 11:25, the Israeli army raided the villages of Khirbet Qeis and Farkha. At 18:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr ad Dik, where they opened fire and fired sound bombs while they searched several houses. At 23:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Iskaka. The Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik, where they searched a house and arrested a youth. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 17 year-old Muhammad Ahmad. Tree Uprooting: At 21:45, an Israeli bulldozer uprooted olive trees in the town of Kafr 'Ein.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: The Erez crossing is partially open to workers. <u>Palestinian Attacks</u>: (i) At 17:25, a rocket exploded near Beit Lahia. (ii) At 23:00, a rocket was fired near Beit Hanoun towards the Green Line.
GAZA CITY	 <u>Closure</u>: Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed. <u>Construction of Settlement Road</u>: The Israeli army began opening a road connecting the settlement of Nitsareem to the new Israeli military location under construction north of the junction of Ajlein.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activity not yet reported.

KHAN YUNIS	 Closures: Abu Ajin road and the western road remain closed. Abu Holi road is partially open. Attacks: At 13:40, the Israeli army opened fire from a building, which the Israeli army is currently occupying near Al Qarara, towards nearby civilian houses. At 13:50, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 9.5 and 11 towards civilian houses in the western refugee camp and Al Amal neighborhood. At 23:50, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 10 and 10.5 towards civilian houses in the western refugee camp and Al Amal neighborhood. At 01:20, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 10, 11 and 12 towards civilian houses in the western refugee camp, Al Amal neighborhood and Al Nimsawi neighborhood.
RAFAH	 <u>Closures</u>: (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Sufa crossing was partially opened to workers.