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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 07 December 2007 – 08:00, 08 December 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	5		5	5 civilians including 3 children
Physical Assaults	5		5	2 in Ramallah; 3 in Bethlehem
Arrests	3		3	3 children in Abu Dis, Jerusalem
Detentions	20		20	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	22		22	Incl. 3 in Ramallah; 5 in Hebron
Checkpoints	20		20	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	16		16	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem; 4 in Hebron
Attacks	6	8	14	During 2 raids; 8 from military posts
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	In Hebron
Wall construction				Sus0pende for Jewish weekend
Closures	7		7	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Jenin
Closure of Main Roads	35		35	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem, 5 in Tulkarem
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Partial opening of 4 crossing points
Demonstrations	3		3	In protest of Apartheid Wall
Palestinian Attacks		10	10	Incl. 20 mortars fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	143	25	177	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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• The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.

• <u>Closure</u>: At 11:00, the Israeli army closed the city of Jerusalem completely for a number of hours. The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. Additionally, the Israeli army combed the area alongside the apartheid Wall as a result of heated alarms of a suicide attack in the city.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (a) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.
- (b) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (c) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.

• <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.

- <u>Raids</u>: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and arrested three children.
- Arrests: The three children arrested in the town of Abu Dis are:
- (a) Thaer Halabiyyeh, 16;
- (b) Ayman Sager Khanafseh; and
- (c) Ra'fat Hassan Awwad, 17.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of

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	Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of al-Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
RAMALLAH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. Checkpoints: At 10:00, the Israeli army closed the checkpoints set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and impeded civilian access. Flving Checkpoints: at 16:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of Surda, and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:00. Raids: At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Dura al-Qare', and chased a civilian vehicles that manage to flee. The Israeli army withdrew at 20:35. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Mazare' al-Noubani and patrolled it until 02:30. At 04:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and opened fire indiscriminately during patrol. The Israeli army withdrew at 05;30. Demonstrations: At 13:00, a public march set out, with the participation of international peace activists and supporters, in the village of Bil'in in protest of the apartheid wall construction. Clashes broke out between civilian protestors and the Israeli army resulting in the injury of a number of civilians. In addition, the Israeli army detained two international peace activists. At 13:00, a public march set out in the town of Beit Luqya and the villages of Sira, Beit Ur al-Tahta, Beit Ur al-Foqa, al-Tirah, Safa and Kharbatha that is located to the west of Ramallah district, with the participation of international peace activists and supporters, in protest of the Israeli discriminatory policy that prevents Palestinians from traveling on Road #443 that connects the village to Ramallah. Clashes broke out between civilian protestors and the Israeli army resulting in the injury of three children. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the area west of the town of 'Abud as wel
JENIN	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Raids: At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Zababdeh and the village of Misliyyeh.

	(ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the to0wn of al-Zababdeh and set up a
	 checkpoint at its junction Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TOUBAS	 <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Tayaseer checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley.
TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil's plain; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). At 17:00, the Israeli army denied civilians between the age of 16 and 35 access through the 'Einav checkpoint. Fiving Checkpoints: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the town of Allar, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the village of Bazaria, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 22:25, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the village of al-Jaroushiyyeh, and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:00. Raids: At 21:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Baqa al-Sharqiyyeh. At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the suburb of al-Shweiki in the city of Tulkarem. At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Nazlet Issa. Detentions: At 15:15, the Israeli army a Palestinian police car carrying two police officers at Einav checkpoint. The police offices were released at 15:50 after the intervention of the military liaison. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Closure of Roads:
QALQILYA	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road that connects the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement barricades the

	entrances to the village of Kfar Qaddoum, Hijjeh, Imatin, Baqa al-
	Hatab, al-Fundoq, and Izbat al-Tabib that connects them to the main Qalqilya-Nablus road.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of 'Azzun with an iron gate.
	 <u>Checkpoints</u>: At 08:00, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqilya, and denied civilian access and impeded traffic. T <u>Raids</u>: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Habla. <u>Wall Gates</u>:
	(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 detector.
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : Land leveling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al- Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
NAPITIC	(i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only.
NABLUS	(ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.
	(iii) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.
	(iv) At 09:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the checkpoints around the city of Nablus and impeded traffic.
	• <u>Raids</u> :
	(i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus and the refugee camps of Balata and Askar.
	(ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Aseers al-Shimaliyyah where clashes with civilians broke out during patrol.

	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tarah checkpoints and to deny civilian access. At 13:10, the Israeli army closed Za'tarah checkpoint and opened it at 13:40.
	Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the city of Salfit and the village of Iskaka. The checkpoint was set up a second time at 18:30 and the Israeli army searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the town of Brouqin and the village of Qarawa Bani Zayd, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	 Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ari'el.
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs.
JERICHO	 Checkpoints: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja along al-Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the D.C.O. checkpoint that is set up at the southern entrance to the city if Jericho and impeded traffic in both directions.
	• Flying Checkpoints : At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Ein al-Dyouk, and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	• Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land
	that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahour and Bethlehem.

•	<u>Closure of Main Roads</u> : 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.

• Raids:

- (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the debris of the evacuated Ush al-Ghurub military camp east of the city of Beit Sahour.
- (ii) At 10:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah and set up a checkpoint.
- (iii) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala.
- <u>Demonstrations</u>: At 12:00, a public march set put, with the participation of international peace activists and supporters, in the villages o Salmounah and al-Ma'sarah south of Bethlehem district, in protest of the construction of the Apartheid Wall. The Israeli army attacked civilian protestors including 2 journalists and detained 4 other journalists, including 2 international peace supporters.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al-Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of al-Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from al-Laban Market and the area of al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the area of al-Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al-Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to

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prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.

- <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the bridge of the town of Halhoul. The checkpoint was et up a second time at 18:00 and the Israeli army searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raids:
- (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and set up 2 checkpoints in the areas of Ras al-Jora and Beer al-Mahjar. In addition, the Israeli army raided the city until 14:00.
- (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and set up a post in front of the Palestinian Security Forces quarters. In addition, the Israeli army patrolled the town until 14:50.
- (iii) At 16:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta where clashes with civilians broke out during patrol. In addition, the Israeli army detained one child and released him at 21:30.
- (iv) At 17:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Halhoul.
- (v) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bani Na'eem.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

GAZA STRIP

	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to		
	allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).		
	Palestinian Attacks:		
NORTHERN	(i) At 15:00, armed individuals fired two mortars towards the Green Line		
GAZA	north of the town of Beit Hanoun.		
0.12.1	(ii) At 15:50, one (unidentified) mortar was fired towards the Green Line.		
	(iii) At dawn on December 8, two (unidentified) mortars were fired towards		
	the Green Line.		
	Closure of Crossing Points:		
	(i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.		
	(ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open to let in fuel.		
	• Attacks: At 23:00, the Israeli army fired a number of tank missiles towards		
	Palestinian areas east of al-Shujai'ya.		
GAZA	Palestinian Attacks:		
	(i) At 15:00, armed individuals fired 3 mortars towards the Green Line.		
	(ii) At 19:05, armed individuals fired 2 mortars towards the al-Shuja'iya –		
	Nahal Oz crossing east of the city of Gaza.		
	(iii) At 02:40, armed individuals fired 8 missiles towards the Green Line		
	east of the city of Gaza.		

KHAN YOUNIS	 Palestinian Attacks: (i) At 16:40, armed individuals fired anti-tank missiles towards an Israeli military watch tower in the area of al-Qarara. (ii) In the evening of December 6, armed individuals fired one anti-tank missile towards an Israeli military jeep east of the area of al-Qarara. (iii) At 23:30, armed individuals opened fire and hurled grenades towards the Israeli army on the Green Line east of the area of al-Qarara.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is open partially to allow 1200 pilgrims go to the haj. Sufa Crossing is partially open. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.