### مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



### PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

### **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 12 December 2006 - 08:00 13 December 2006

### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	_	1	A female civilian in Qalqiliya city
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian beaten at a checkpoint, Jenin
Attacks	4	4	8	Incl. 3 in raids & 3 from military posts
Raids	25	_	25	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem & 5 in Hebron
Air Patrols	5	_	5	Troops dispatched by combat helicopters
Arrests	11	_	11	Incl. 4 brothers & 1 school principal
Detentions	21	_	21	Incl. 3 Pal. officers & 1 female civilian
House Demolition	1	_	1	1 house in Al Walaja village, Bethlehem
Wall Construction	27	_	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Doors of a school destroyed, Hebron
Attack on Property	1	_	1	Commercial shops forced to close
House Occupations	2	_	2	Converted into military posts in Jenin
Closure of Checkpoints	13	_	13	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	_	18	Incl. 7 in Jenin and 3 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	33	_	33	Incl. 3 in Nablus & 3 in Salfit
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. Karm Abu Salem Crossing partially
School Disruption	2	_	2	2 schools raided in Jenin and Hebron
Settler Violence	1		1	A school under construction raided
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	Area near 1 Pal. security post patrolled
Palestinian Attacks	1	2	3	Incl. fire opened towards an Israeli jeep
TOTAL	175	10	185	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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#### **WEST BANK**

### ALL DISTRICTS

• 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>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.

### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya 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.

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### • 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 Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash 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. Wall construction has been completed near Al Quds University and in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya.

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### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.

- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud, in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin, Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis, and in the town of Beituniya. Wall construction has been completed in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Bil'in to Saffa, and Beit Sira to Beit Liqya.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 17:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Kharbatha al Misbah and searched civilians and vehicles.

### • Raids/Detentions:

- (i) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Mazari' an Nubani and searched a number of houses.
- (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Arura. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. The Israeli army also detained 2 civilians and released them at 02:30.
- (iii) At 22:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of An Nabi Salih, set up a checkpoint on the road to the village of Kafr 'Ein, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 23:00.
- (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 02:30.

## • <u>Closure of Road</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.

- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir 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.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

### • Flying Checkpoints/Detentions/Physical Assaults:

- (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jadida, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained 1 civilian while he was driving a bulldozer until 11:30.
- (ii) At 10:30, and at various times, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of 'Arraba and the villages of Misliya and Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Sanur, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained Ala' Mohammed Kmeil, after having beaten him.

### • Raids/School Disruption/Air Patrol/Attack/House Occupations:

(i) At 12:30, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided the town of Ya'bad, raided the yard of the town's boys' secondary school, and withdrew at a later time.

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- (ii) At 20:30, Israeli troops, dispatched by combat helicopters, raided and combed 2 areas near the villages of Kashda and Tayasir. Israeli troops also set up several checkpoints and searched civilians and vehicles. At 23:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 21:45, the Israeli army, including 40 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, opened fire, and fired sound grenades intensively. In the refugee camp as well as in the area surrounding it, the Israeli army occupied a number of houses and converted them into military posts. In addition, the Israeli army searched a number of houses and arrested 4 brothers, including 1 Palestinian Preventive security officer. At 23:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 brothers in Jenin refugee camp:
- (i) Mahmoud Sa'eed ar Rukh, a Palestinian Preventive security officer;
- (ii) Rifqi Sa'eed ar Rukh;
- (iii) Sameer Sa'eed ar Rukh; and
- (iv) Hatem Sa'eed ar Rukh.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 08:30 on 12 December 2006, the Israeli army detained Ikhlass Mahmoud Saba'neh, a female civilian, near the town of Qabatiya, claiming that armed Palestinian individuals had opened fire from the vicinity of her house towards Israeli troops positioned in the area between the town of Qabatiya and the village of Misliya, as was reported yesterday. At 19:00, the Israeli army released Ikhlas.

### • <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.

- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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 plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). At 12:00, the Israeli army also closed Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city), denied civilian access in both directions, and reopened it at a later time.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

### • Flying Checkpoints/Detentions:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:15.
- (ii) At 11:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit Lid, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained 3 Palestinian security officers, while they were travelling to their workplaces in the city of Ramallah. At 15:00, the Israeli army released the 3 Palestinian officers.

#### • Raids/Detention/Air Patrols:

(i) At 11:40, Israeli Special Forces, supported by 8 Israeli army jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem, halted a taxi, and arrested 3 civilians,

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	including 2 civilians whom the Israeli authorities describe as "wanted
	individuals". The Israeli army also detained the taxi driver and released
	him at a later time.
	(ii) At 12:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and
	combed the area between Dahiyat Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem and the town of Bal'a.
	(iii) At 12:20, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and combed the area between the towns of 'Illar and Deir al Ghusun.
	(iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Sur, searched 2
	houses, and withdrew at 03:00.
	• Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Tulkarem:
	(i) Salah 'Izz ad Din al 'Iraqi;
	(ii) Mu'men Abu Safaqah; and
	(iii) Mu'tassem at Taweel.
	Closure of Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural
	roads east of the town of 'Azzun.
	(ii) The Israeli army closed the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib
	with dirt barricades.
	• 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 detector.
	Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the
QALQILIYA	villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr
<b>CC</b>	Thulth and 'Azzun.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the
	city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raid/Attack: At 04:00 on 12 December 2006, the Israeli army raided the
	city of Qalqiliya and fired sound grenades towards 1 house, resulting in the death of a female civilian who had a heart attack.
	Death: Lateefa Saleh Miskawi, a female civilian, died in the city of
	Qalqiliya after sound grenades were fired by the Israeli army towards her
	house.
	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
NADI IIC	Shomron.
NABLUS	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern
	entrance to the village of Qaryut.
	(iii) At 12:40, the Israeli army closed the road connecting the villages of Till
	and Burin with dirt barricades.

	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
	(i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints.
	<ul> <li>(ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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 neighbourhood only.</li> <li>(iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit</li> </ul>
	Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.  (iv) 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 ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.
	• Raid/Air Patrol: At 19:45, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and combed the area of Wadi al Marash between the villages of Al Badhan and Al Far'a.
	• <u>Palestinian Attack</u> : At 12:40, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli army jeep travelling along the road to the village of Till.
	Closure of Main Roads:     The Israeli army has continued 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. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
	• Checkpoints:  (i) The Israeli commy continues to intensify its machinistic at Dair Bellyt
SALFIT	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction continues in the area 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. Wall construction has been completed near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat.
	• Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the village of Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:00.
JERICHO	• Closure: 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.

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	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers
	holding Jericho IDs.
BETHLEHEM	Closure: 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.  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.  Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint and prevented civilian vehicles from crossing. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint only allow access to vehicles possessing permits as well as those whose drivers hold Bethlehemand Hebron-issued IDs.  Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of 'Ayda refugee camp, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal.  Raids/Attack:  (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army, accompanied by 1 bulldozer, raided the village of Al Walaja and demolished 1 house, claiming that it was built without the required construction licence.  (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu' and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint at the town's entrance and denied civilian access into and out of the town.  (iii) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Jorat ash Sham'a and arrested 1 civilian.  (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Ash Shawawra, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 03:30.  (v) At 03:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Za'tara and arrested 2 civilians.  Arrests:  (i) At 19:15, the Israeli army arrested Yaseen 'Odeh Rizq, a school principal, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence Agency in the settlement of Kfar 'Etzion according to a summons which he had received earlier from the Israeli army.  (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed 'Ata Hussein in the village of Jorat ash Sham'a.  The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Za'
	Munther Mahmoud Hamad in the village of Al Walaja.
HEBRON	• Closure:  (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As 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 As Sahleh.
- (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling 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 area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; 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 neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling 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>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

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

- (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up 2 checkpoints near Hebron University and in Wadi Abu Kteila, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the city again and set up a checkpoint in the area of Bir al Mahjar.
- (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the village of Karma. The troops had in their custody a blindfolded political prisoner, who they proceeded to photograph in an area from which armed Palestinian individuals had opened fire towards Israeli troops.
- (iii) At 13:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and patrolled the area near a Palestinian National Security location.
- (iv) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa' and raided as well as searched the town's school, after having destroyed a number of its doors. While patrolling the area, the Israeli army forced owners of commercial shops to close their businesses.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers raided a school under construction in the area of Jabal ar Rahma in the city of Hebron and withdrew at a later time.

### **GAZA STRIP**

ALL DISTRICTS	The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26     November 2006 remains effective. However, armed Palestinian individuals fired 5 mortars towards areas inside the Green Line. Additionally, the Israeli army as well as Israeli navy boats opened fire towards Palestinian territory on 4 occasions.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases.</li> <li>Palestinian Attacks: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 5 mortars as follows:         <ul> <li>(i) At 17:05, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>(ii) At 18:40, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Attack: At 11:00, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 67 on the Green Line towards 1 civilian east of Gaza city, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Attacks: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian residential compounds as follows:         <ul> <li>(i) At 14:50, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations near Kessufim gate on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara.</li> <li>(ii) At 15:45, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 147 on the Green Line towards a number of civilians east of the area of Al Qarara.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Attack: At 18:15, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the beach of the city of Rafah, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> </ul>