# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 13 December 2005 – 08:00 14 December 2005

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	_	1	1 civilian of injuries sustained
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 ambulance driver severely beaten
Injuries	23	_	23	Incl. 15 children in Nablus
Attacks	6	8	14	Incl. 4 in raids & 8 from mil. posts
Raids	33	1	34	Incl. 6 in Bethlehem & 6 in Hebron
Air Patrols	3	_	3	Incl. reconnaissance over Bethlehem
Arrests	25	2	27	Incl. 3 Palestinian security officers
Detentions	8	1	9	Incl. 1 ill civilian at Erez Crossing
Wall Construction	27	_	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1		1	1 house set on fire in 'Illar, Tulkarem
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a mil. post in Nablus
Curfews	3	_	3	Incl. over Qabatiya and Bardala
Checkpoints	3		3	Incl. Jubara checkpoint closed
Flying Checkpoints	24	_	24	Incl. 6 in Jenin & 6 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	10		10	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho partially
Closure of Main Roads	21	_	21	Incl. Al Jalama Street north of Jenin
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points		3	3	Incl. Beit Hanun Crossing partially
Medical Obstruction	1		1	1 ambulance halted in Tulkarem
Palestinian Attacks	1	6	7	Incl. 7 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	1	1	2	Incl. 1 tunnel sealed off in Rafah
TOTAL	193	22	215	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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# **WEST BANK**

JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Beit Iksa checkpoint, impeding civilian access.</li> <li>Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 22:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the villages of Kafr 'Ein, Qarawat Bani Zeid, and Mazari' an Nubani, served a summons to 1 civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service, and patrolled the area until 24:00.</li> <li>At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Shabtin, searched 1 house, and detained the ID of a Palestinian Police officer. The Israeli army ordered the Police officer to report to Ni'lin checkpoint to take his ID back.</li> <li>At 01:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

- <u>Closure</u>: Beginning at 14:30 on 10 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure over the city of Jenin and to declare it a closed military zone. The Israeli army prevents civilian vehicles from entering or exiting the city and only allows access to humanitarian cases after prior coordination.
- <u>Closure of Main Road</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Al Jalama Street at the northern entrance to the city of Jenin with dirt barricades.
- <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.
- Flying Checkpoints: Beginning at 12:00 on 10 December 2005, the Israeli army continues to close the roads leading to the city of Jenin with 6 flying checkpoints: near As Sa'ada forest on Haifa Street; at the southern entrance to the city of Jenin; in the area of Al Almaniya north of the city of Jenin; at the south-western entrance to the town of Az Zababida; and at the entrances to the town of Tubas and the village of Fahma. Israeli troops at the checkpoints search civilian vehicles and impede civilian access.

# • Raids/Curfews:

- (i) At 21:00, the Israeli army, including 35 jeeps, raided the towns of Al Yamun and Silat al Harithiya, searched a number of houses, and arrested 10 individuals, including 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer. At 22:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 30 jeeps, raided the town of Qabatiya, imposed curfew, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians.
- (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Bardala and imposed curfew.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 10 individuals in the towns of Al Yamun and Silat al Harithiya:
- (i) 'Awni Mousa Abu Hamdah, a Palestinian Preventive officer;
- (ii) Khaled Abdul Rahman Khamayseh;
- (iii) Bashar Fayez Khamayseh;
- (iv) Tareq 'Adel 'Antar;
- (v) 'Ukashah Khaled Khamayseh;
- (vi) 'Urwah Khaled Khamayseh;
- (vii) Ahmed Nayef Khamayseh;
- (viii) Mohammed Ahmed Khamayseh;
- (ix) Farah Saleh Abu Jabal; and
- (x) Abed 'Asfour Jaradat.

The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Qabatiya:

- (xi) Saleh Amin Abu Zeid;
- (xii) Ahmed Hisham Kmeil:
- (xiii) Mu'taz as Sahu; and
- (xiv) 'Izz ad Din Zakarneh.

# **JENIN**

#### • 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 Khamish.
- (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>Checkpoint</u>: Beginning at 17:30 on 05 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to intensify its restrictions at Jubara (Al Kafriyat) checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem and to prevent civilians, except those holding Tulkarem-issued IDs, from entering the city of Tulkarem.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

## • Flying Checkpoints/Detention/Medical Obstruction/Physical Assault:

- (i) At 16:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles. Armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the checkpoint and, consequently, Israeli troops opened indiscriminate fire.
- (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Bizzariya and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops at the checkpoint also detained 1 university student and released him at 19:55.
- (iii) At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops at the checkpoint also halted 1 ambulance and severely beat its driver.

#### • Raids/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 17:05, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem.
- (ii) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Illar and the village of Seida. While it was surrounding and searching a number of houses in the town of 'Illar, the Israeli army opened fire and fired mortar shells towards 1 house, setting fire to it. The Israeli army also arrested 4 civilians, including 1 university student. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.

## • Arrests:

(i) On 10 December 2005, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed 'Ammar in the town of Qaffin.

The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of 'Illar:

(ii) Mohammed Muwaffaq Majadbeh;

#### **TULKAREM**

	(iii) Firas Kayed Qashou';
	(iv) Mohammed Saleh Majadbeh; and
	(v) Usamah Fahmi Shunnar.
QALQILIYA	<ul> <li>Checkpoint: At 08:30, the Israeli army opened At Tayba checkpoint set up on the Green Line north of the city of Qalqiliya, allowing workers to cross the Green Line.</li> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilian vehicles. At 23:00, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer.</li> <li>Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya arrested Mahmoud Sa'id Radhwan, a Palestinian National Security officer.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Majdal Bani Fadil with dirt barricades.</li> <li>At 00:30, the Israeli army closed the junction to the villages of 'Azmut, Deir al Hatab, and Salim with dirt barricades.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, 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 between 16 and 30 years of age are allowed only entry into the city around the clock.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint/Detention: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus, searched civilian vehicles, impeded civilian access, and detained 1 female university student until 24:00.</li> </ul>

## **Raids/House Occupation:** Beginning at 22:40 on 12 December 2005, the Israeli army remained (i) positioned in the city of Nablus, occupied 1 building, and converted it into a military post. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 22 civilians, including 15 children, of whom 13-year-old Mohammed Khaled 'Asalyyeh sustained critical injuries. At 11:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 20:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of 'Asira (ii) ash Shamaliya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian. (iii) At 23:55, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. At 03:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee (iv) camp, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. Death: At 11:45, Hussam Suheil Sagr died of injuries sustained on 12 December 2005 in the city of Nablus, as was reported yesterday. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to (i) the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising). The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the town of Kafr ad (ii) Dik with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village (iii) of Brugin with dirt barricades. **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight (i) and open it at various morning hours, impeding civilian access. **SALFIT** (ii) 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 16:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Jamma'in and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 10:45, and again at 23:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Salfit until 23:50. Air Patrol: At 11:10, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Salfit. 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** 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.

• <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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 Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:30.
- (ii) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:30.
- Raid/Curfew: At 16:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Auja and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. At 06:10, the Israeli army raided the village again and imposed curfew.
- <u>Arrest</u>: At 15:30, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up on the Deir Hajla junction arrested Waheed 'Awadh from the city of Bethlehem while he was driving a taxi.

#### • 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.
- <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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala.

#### • Raids/Air Patrol:

- (i) At 09:55, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilian vehicles.
- (ii) At 10:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya. At 21:40, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town again whilst an Israeli army helicopter patrolled the skies over the area. The Israeli army searched a number of houses and served a summons to 1 university student to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. At 22:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 19:55, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area until 20:20.
- (iv) At 02:00, Israeli army infantry forces raided and patrolled 'Ayda refugee camp.

#### **BETHLEHEM**

- (v) At 06:15, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the city of Bethlehem and searched 1 house. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint in the city centre, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set in the centre of the city of Bethlehem arrested Abdullah Nabeel Abdullah.
- <u>Air Patrol</u>: At 23:30, an Israeli army reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the city of Bethlehem.
- <u>Palestinian Security Measure</u>: At 12:40, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal vehicle, seized in the city of Bethlehem, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

## • Closure:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) 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 this 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 already 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:** The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the entrance to the town of Sa'ir and the other on the overpass to the town of Halhul, and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 08:25, the Israeli army raided the village Beit 'Einun, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer.
- (ii) At 11:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Ar Rameh, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up checkpoints in several neighbourhoods, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the area of 'Arab ar Ramadin southwest of the town of Adh Dhahiriya, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 civilians.

#### **HEBRON**

- (iv) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Ar Rihiya.
- (v) The Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, set up 2 checkpoints in the town's centre, and searched civilians and vehicles.

# • Arrests:

(i) The Israeli army arrested Waleed Hamdan al Froukh, a Palestinian Police officer, in the village of Beit 'Einun.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the area of 'Arab ar Ramadin:

- (ii) Kamal Ibrahim az Za'arneh; and
- (iii) Ali Ibrahim az Za'arneh.

## **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open.</li> <li>Attacks: <ul> <li>At 22:55, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell from Point 64 on the Green</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Line towards Ash Shuhada' cemetery east of the town of Jabalya.  (ii) At 23:45, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 25 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Hanun.
	• <u>Detention</u> : At 15:55, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing detained Nidhal Suleiman Abu 'Ataya while he was travelling to Al Maqassed Hospital in the city of Jerusalem to undergo a surgical operation. Israeli troops also interrogated Abu 'Ataya and forced him to return home in Gaza city.
	<ul> <li>Palestinian Attacks:         <ul> <li>(i) At 15:55 on 12 December 2005, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(ii) At 17:30 on 12 December 2005, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:30 on 13 December 2005, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>(iv) At 15:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>(v) At 16:25, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li><li>(vi) At 23:15, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li></ul>
GAZA	Activities not reported.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Attacks: At 07:05, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 110, 120, and 135 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij and Al Maghazi refugee camps and east of the city of Deir al Balah.
KHAN YUNIS	• Attacks:  (i) At 21:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 174 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the village of 'Abasan al Kabira.

	(ii) At 07:45, the Israeli army opened fire and fired 1 tank shell from its location near Kessufim gate on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara.
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Raid: At 21:30, an Israeli army tank raided 100 metres into the area of Ad Dihniya east of the city of Rafah.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 unidentified civilians while they were attempting to gain access into areas inside the Green Line south of Sufa Crossing.</li> <li>Palestinian Security Measure: At 08:00, Palestinian security forces demolished and sealed off 1 tunnel located east of Rafah Crossing.</li> </ul>

# **GENERAL**

WORK PERMITS	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Gaza Strip: The Israeli authorities renewed 5,361 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the Israeli authorities only allowed 4,345 workers, approximately 81% of those possessing work permits, to access areas inside the Green Line.</li> </ul>
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