# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 14 December 2006 – 08:00 15 December 2006

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassination	1		1	1 civilian in 'Ein Beit el Ma' RC, Nablus
Death	1		1	1 civilian in Kafr ad Dik town, Salfit
Physical Assault	1		1	1 press photographer beaten in Tulkarem
Injuries	7	_	7	In Nablus, incl. 5 civilians critically
Attacks	6	_	6	Incl. 2 in raids & 1 from a military post
Raids	15	2	17	Incl. 5 in Hebron & 1 in Northern Gaza
Arrests	12	_	12	Incl. 1 child and 3 university students
Detentions	17	_	17	Incl. 1 Palestinian Police officer
Wall Construction	27	_	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	Incl. contents of 1 building damaged
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	1 video tape in the city of Tulkarem
Closure of Checkpoints	13	_	13	Incl. permits required at 2 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	12	_	12	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 5 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	33	_	33	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 2 in Jenin
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun & Al Muntar partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	A Palestinian Police vehicle halted
Palestinian Attacks	1	2	3	Incl. 3 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measure	1		1	1 explosive device handed over, Tulkarem
TOTAL	157	9	166	

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.

## **JERUSALEM**

# • 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.

## • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Rafat and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of An Nabi Samwil and searched civilians and vehicles.

# **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern (i) entrance to the village of Sinjil. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western (ii) entrance to the village of Saffa. Checkpoint: 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 RAMALLAH northern districts of the West Bank. & Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town **EL BIREH** 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. **Provocation of Palestinian Forces:** At 16:20, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara halted a Palestinian Police vehicle and detained a Palestinian Police officer despite prior coordination to allow access to the vehicle. After liaison with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), Israeli troops released the Police officer at 18:20. Closure of Roads: 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 and the road connecting the town of Qabatiya to the village of Misliya. **Checkpoint:** 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. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. **Flying Checkpoints: JENIN** At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to (i) the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints: 2 on the junctions to the (ii) town of Az Zababida and the village of Al Jalama and 2 in the areas between the town of Tubas and the village of 'Aqqaba and between the villages of Al Kufeir and 'Aggaba. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 08:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Arrest: At 02:00 on 14 December 2006, the Israeli army arrested Yousef Husni Jalboush during its raid on the town of 'Arraba. 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. **TULKAREM** 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 plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa.  • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city) and Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city).  • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.  • Raids/Detention/Attack/Destruction of Property/Physical Assault:  (i) At 14:05, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of 'Anabta and patrolled the area until 15:00.  (ii) At 15:15, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem. After detaining residents, the Israeli army searched 1 building, damaged its contents, and opened fire towards the 4 <sup>th</sup> floor of the building. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 3 university students, beat Mu'ayyad 'Issa, a press photographer, and confiscated a video tape from him. At 18:05, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.  • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 university students in the city of Tulkarem:  (i) Ahmed Mohammed Walweel;  (ii) Waleed Ahmed Abu Tammam; and  (iii) Amin Khaled Yousef.  • Palestinian Security Measure: At 22:00, Palestinian security forces handed over an explosive device, located in an uninhabited house in Tulkarem refugee camp, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
QALQILIYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib with dirt barricades.</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 villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.</li> <li>Raid: At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
NABLUS	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 southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.

- <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.
- (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.
- (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit 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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the settler bypass road leading to the settlement of Alon Moreh and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid/Attack/Injuries: At 13:30, Israeli Special Forces, supported later by a number of Israeli army jeeps, raided 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp in the city of Nablus and opened intensive fire, extra-judicially killing 1 civilian (described by the Israeli authorities as a "wanted individual"). The Israeli attack also resulted in the injury of 7 civilians, including 5 children and 1 female civilian. Of these, 5 civilians, including 4 children, were in critical condition:
- (i) Ayat Mohammed Zeitawi, a 3-year-old female child (injured in the head);
- (ii) Areej Mohammed Zeitawi, a 5-year-old female (injured in the chest);
- (iii) Ashraf Nasser Seif, 12 years old (injured in the neck);
- (iv) Nadirah Majdi Subhi, a 12-year-old female child (injured in the waist); and
- (v) 'Ammar az Zaqzouq (injured in the back).
- <u>Assassination</u>: Israeli Special Forces extra-judicially killed Mohammed Amin Ramahah in 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp in the city of Nablus.
- Arrests: As was reported yesterday, Israeli troops positioned at Al Badhan checkpoint arrested 4 civilians, of whom 2 were unidentified. These 2 civilians have been identified as:
- (i) Sameh Abdul Ilah Jum'ah; and
- (ii) Ashraf Ni'man Nassar.

# SALFIT

#### Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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 *Intifada* (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:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut (i) checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara (ii) junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. Wall Construction: 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 Raid/Attack: At 11:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Kafr ad Dik. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army killed 1 civilian. At 11:35, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Killing: The Israeli army killed Waheeb Missleh Nayef in the town of Kafr ad Dik. 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 **JERICHO** deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. Checkpoint: 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. 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: At 19:00, the Israeli army announced (through the DCO) that As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint was open to civilian private vehicles from all West Bank districts without need to present access permits. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the **BETHLEHEM** town of Al Khadr, north of 'Ayda refugee camp, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal. Raids: At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a (i) checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:00. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Nahhalin and arrested 1 (ii) civilian. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and arrested At 03:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (iv) city of Bethlehem.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Raed 'Atallah Ghayyathah in the village of Nahhalin.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Hamzeh Mahmoud al 'Assa in the town of Al 'Ubeidiya.
- Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack: At 03:30, armed Palestinian individuals threw 2 explosive devices at Israeli troops positioned in the area surrounding Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque (Rechel's Tomb). Consequently, Israeli troops opened fire towards civilian houses in 'Ayda refugee camp.

## • 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.

## • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit 'Einun and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. Consequently, the Israeli army closed the entrance to the refugee camp, denying civilian access.

#### **HEBRON**

(iii) At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.

# • Raids/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 02:30 on 14 December 2006, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 1 child.
- (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested 3 civilians.
- (iii) At 22:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Kahil and served a summons to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence Agency.
- (iv) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and thoroughly searched 1 house, damaging furniture. The Israeli army also arrested 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer.
- (v) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kureisa and arrested 1 civilian.

## • Arrests:

(i) The Israeli army arrested Hasan Ahmed ad Darawish, 17 years old, in the town of Dura.

The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Hebron:

- (ii) Feissal Is'haq Mahfouth;
- (iii) Marwan Mahmoud an Natsheh; and
- (iv) Wisam Theeb al Qudsi.
- (v) The Israeli army arrested Yousef Suleiman as Sweiti, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, in the town of Dura.
- (vi) The Israeli army arrested Mash'hour Mohammed Shandi in the village of Kureisa.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

## The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army carried **ALL** DISTRICTS out 2 raids on Palestinian territory and armed Palestinian individuals fired 3 mortars towards the Green Line. **Closure of Crossing Point:** Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. Raid: At 17:50, the Israeli army, including 4 armoured vehicles, raided Palestinian territory near Point 25 on the Green Line east of the town of Beit **NORTHERN** Hanun, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. GAZA Palestinian Attacks: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 3 mortars as follows: At 17:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (i) At 19:20, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open. At **GAZA** 14:10, however, the Crossing was closed.

CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.	
KHAN YUNIS	• <u>Raid</u> : At 10:00, an Israeli army jeep raided 30 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 147 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.	
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	