# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 12 February 2005 – 08:00 13 February 2005

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	3	7	10	1 during a raid & 8 from mil. posts
Raids	17	_	17	Incl. 6 in Ramallah and 4 in Hebron
Arrests (per person)	2		2	In Jerusalem and Ramallah
Detentions	2	1	3	At checkpoints
Wall Construction	20		20	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Farmer denied access to cultivate land
Land Confiscation	1	_	1	In Beit Hanina for Wall construction
House Occupations	2	_	2	In the old city of Hebron
Curfew	1	_	1	The village of Qusin
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. 3 in Qalqiliya and 1 in Salfit
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(10)		Incl. 3 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. restrictions at Azzun Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. 3 partially open
School Disruption	1	_	1	Students and teachers delayed
Settlement Activity	1	_	1	Surveying for road construction
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	1 Pal. location raided in Salfit
Pal. Security Measures		1	1	An attempt to fire 1 mortar blocked
TOTAL	67	13	80	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat.		

## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city.</li> <li>Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints, obstructing civilian movement.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian on Salah Ad Din Street in the city of Jerusalem.</li> <li>Land Confiscation: The Israeli army confiscated dozens of dunums of land belonging to the town of Beit Hanina north of the city of Jerusalem for Wall construction.</li> <li>Settlement Activity: Israeli authorities conducted a land survey and placed</li> </ul>
	markers for construction of a settler bypass road around the city of Jerusalem. The road will cross civilian land belonging to the villages of 'Anata, Al 'Isawiya, and Az Za'ayyem towards the settler bypass road leading to the settlement of Ma'ale Adummim.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Mughayyir with dirt barricades.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of Halamish, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> <li>At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on 'Atara overpass, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and impeded civilian movement.</li> <li>At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Dura Al Qar' and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li></ul>

	<ul> <li>Attack: At 19:40, the Israeli army fired flares from its location in the settlement of Halamish in the area between the villages of Kafr 'Ein and An Nabi Salih.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 19:15, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh and the town of Beituniya. At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the area again and patrolled the area.</li> <li>At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Sinjil and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>An Israeli army patrol raided the village of 'Abud. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ma'moun Hussein Khalil in the village of Sinjil.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav gate which controls the road between the cities of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Zeita and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the Wall gate to the village of 'Azzun 'Atma, delaying students and teachers from reaching their schools on time, allegedly to conduct thorough searches.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of 'Azzun and Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Jinsafut, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> <li>Raid: At 20:30, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 3 jeeps, raided the town of 'Azzun, set up a checkpoint at its southern entrance leading to the village of Kafr Thulth, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>

NABLUS	• Raid/Curfew: At 21:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Qusin, imposed curfew, and patrolled the area until 22:00.
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: <ol> <li>Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the village of Deir Ballut along the Green Line.</li> <li>Based upon claims filed by the Municipality of Salfit, Iskaka Village Council, and land owners, the Israeli Supreme Court issued a ruling to suspend land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka and north of the city of Salfit for a period of 21 days beginning on 10 February 2005.</li> <li>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</li> <li>Beginning at 08:00 on 12 February 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the city of Salfit and continues to raid and search 1 Palestinian National Security location. The Israeli army detained Palestinian officers in the security location until 09:30.</li> <li>At 16:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Khirbet Qeis, set up a checkpoint between the village and the city of Salfit, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 17:10.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army only permitted residents of the city of Jericho to enter the city.</li> <li>Destruction of Property: The Israeli army prohibited farmers in the city of Jericho from cultivating their land near the settlement of Eli Shay.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was resumed north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 18:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr.</li> <li>At 23:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and 'Ayda refugee camp, opened indiscriminate fire in 'Ayda refugee camp, and withdrew at 23:45.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
HEBRON	Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access.

Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna, and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, Beit 'Awwa, and towards the
village of Al Burj.
• Raids:
(i) At 23:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Hebron and patrolled several neighbourhoods.
(ii) The Israeli army raided the towns of Sa'ir and Ash Shuyukh and searched a number of houses and commercial shops.
(iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.

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• <u>House Occupations</u>: The Israeli army occupied 2 houses in Wadi an Nasara neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron, after forcing residents to evacuate, and converted them into military posts.

# **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.	
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>Nitsareem junction remains closed.</li> <li>Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed.</li> <li>Attacks: At 15:15, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell from the area surrounding Malakah roundabout on the eastern line towards Palestinian territory south of Gaza city. At 17:30, the Israeli army fired another tank shell.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.	
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Closure:</li> <li>(i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open.</li> <li>(iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 18:00, the Israeli army closed Salah ad Din road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoints. At 18:25, the road was reopened.</li> <li>(v) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed.</li> <li>(vi) Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed.</li> <li>(vii) Morag road connecting Khan Yunis eastern and western roads is closed.</li> </ul>	

#### **Attacks:** At 15:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards the area of Al (i) Magaber in the vicinity of An Namsawi neighbourhood. At 17:00, the Israeli army fired several flares west of the area of Al (ii) Matahin in Al Qarara. (iii) At 18:35, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell from its location at Point 12 towards the area of Al Magaber in the vicinity of An Namsawi neighbourhood. Palestinian Security Measures: At 01:40, Palestinian security forces blocked an attempt to fire 1 Qassam mortar while armed Palestinian individuals were preparing a pad to launch the mortar near the area of Al Magaber in the vicinity of An Namsawi neighbourhood. **Closure:** (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open to arrivals and departures over the age of 35 only. Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. (iii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open to workers only. (iv) **RAFAH** (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses in the area surrounding Tall Zu'rub neighbourhood in Rafah refugee (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards civilian houses in the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp.

#### **GENERAL**

WORK PERMITS	<ul> <li>West Bank: <ol> <li>Israeli authorities renewed 9,878 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.</li> <li>Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30.</li> <li>Gaza Strip: <ol> <li>Israeli authorities renewed 148 work permits for workers to enter Erez and Karni Industrial Zones. However, workers were not allowed access to the Industrial Zones due to the imposed closure.</li> <li>Israeli authorities renewed 780 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line to work in the agricultural sector, including 1 permit to work in the service sector. However, workers were not allowed access into the Green Line due to the imposed closure.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
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