# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 05 January 2004 - 08:00 06 January 2004

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	2	_	2	16 yr. old & 1 run over by sett.
Injuries	3	1	4	Incl. 1 17 yr. old, 2 hit by car
Physical Assault	1	_	1	
Incursion	1		1	Withdrew from Nablus, a.m.
Attacks	5	4	9	
Raids	20	1	21	Incl. military post
Air Patrols	2		2	
Arrests (per person)	6	3	9	Incl. 1 National Sec. officer
Detention	1		1	
Land Leveling	3		3	
Destruction of Property	2		2	
Land Confiscation	2		2	2900 dunums
Curfews	2		2	
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	9		9	
Closures (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. area of 10s of villages
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	_	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	2	2	1 Partially open to workers
Settlement Activity	1	_	1	144 units, Kiry. Arba & Hars.
Settler Violence	2	_	2	2 civ. run over & dest. of prop.
TOTAL	69	11	80	

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# **WEST BANK**

JERUSALEM	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to residents from other districts.</li> <li><u>Separation Wall Construction</u>: Construction of the separation wall continues in Al Shayyah, Abu Dis, Al Eizariya and Al Sawahira.</li> <li><u>Land Confiscation</u>: Palestinian residents of Beit Surik and Beit 'Anan received land confiscation orders for 2,500 <i>dunums</i> (625 acres) and 400 <i>dunums</i> (100 acres), respectively.</li> <li><u>Killing/Settler Violence</u>: An Israeli settler pursued 4 civilians in his vehicle and ran over 3 of the civilians, killing Maher Jaber and seriously injuring</li> </ul>
	his 2 brothers. The fourth civilian was able to escape. The 2 brothers in critical condition are:  (i) Muhammad Musa Jaber, internal hemorrhaging; and  (ii) Ahmad Musa Jaber, broken hipbones.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army closed the entrance of the village of 'Abud and prevented civilians from entering or leaving the village.</li> <li>Land Leveling: At 13:00, Israeli bulldozers leveled land near the checkpoint of 'Atara.</li> <li>Attack: The Israeli army opened fire from its location in the settlement of Pisgat towards civilian houses in the city of El Bireh.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 09:30, the Israeli army including 6 jeeps and 1 APC, raided the town of Silwad and searched several houses.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the towns of Deir Ghassana and Beit Rima and opened fire in Beit Rima.</li> <li>(iii) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided the villages of Kafr 'Ein and Qarawat Bani Zeid.</li> <li>(iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Rima.</li> <li>(v) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided Ramallah city and took position opposite the Presidential Compound, Al Muqata'a.</li> </ul>
JENIN	Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.

### Raids: (i) At 12:50, the Israeli army, including several jeeps, raided the village of Al Mutilla and searched several houses. Several Israeli jeeps raided the towns of Tubas and Tammun, searched (ii) several houses and set up a checkpoint on the road connecting the 2 towns. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Raed Saba'na at a checkpoint located near the town of Silat al Dhaher. **JERICHO** Activities not yet reported. Closure: Entrances to the city in the north, northwest, west and south remain closed to vehicles, cutting Bethlehem off from its southern villages and from Jerusalem and Hebron. Physical Assault: At 16:20, Israeli soldiers at checkpoint 300 (on the **BETHLEHEM** Jerusalem/Bethlehem road) severely beat 'Atif Salim, a resident of Bethlehem city. Air Patrol: At 24:00, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district until 03:00. Arrest: At 14:10, the Israeli army arrested 1 civilian at the eastern entrance to the town of Beit Sahur. **<u>Detention</u>**: As a follow up to yesterday's report on the physical assault against 5 laborers by Israeli soldiers in Al Walaja, the Israeli army also detained 3 cement truck drivers during the incident. **Closure:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Enav iron gate and Al Kafriyat separation wall gate, separating Tulkarem from the districts of Nablus and Oalgiliya. (ii) The Israeli army imposed a strict closure over the city of Tulkarem, preventing civilians from entering or leaving the city. **Flying Checkpoints: TULKAREM** At 13:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of (i) Al Jarushiya, preventing civilians from exiting or leaving the city. At 14:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of (ii) Nur Shams refugee camp. At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of (iii) Dahiyat Shuweika. Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.

	<ul> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the city and took position at the junction of Nur Shams refugee camp.</li> <li>At 20:00, the Israeli army again raided the city, took position in the western neighborhoods, and fired sound grenades near the Palestinian Coordination Office.</li> <li>At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the city and searched several offices in the Mugata's</li> </ol> </li></ul>
	<ul> <li>in the Muqata'a.</li> <li><u>Arrest</u>: At 10:00, the Israeli army arrested Ahmad Kattana, 31 years old, at Al Kafriyat checkpoint.</li> </ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure: Nablus remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from leaving or entering the city.</li> <li>Incursion: The Israeli army searched civilian houses and opened fire towards civilians in 'Ein Beit Al Ma' refugee camp, killing 1 child and injuring another, and arrested 1 civilian. At 03:00, the Israeli army withdrew from Nablus after occupying and imposing curfew over the city for 11 consecutive days.</li> <li>Killing: The Israeli army killed 16-year-old Taj Iddin Seif in 'Ein Beit Al Ma' refugee camp.</li> <li>Injury: The Israeli army injured 17-year-old Imad Isam Saba, who was shot in the mouth and is in critical condition, in 'Ein Beit Al Ma' refugee camp.</li> <li>Arrests:  The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in 'Ein Beit Al Ma' refugee camp:  (i) Mu'ayad Al Rayyan, 18 years old.  At 03:00, the Israeli army arrested 2 brothers from their fields near the village of Kafr Qalil:  (ii) Murad Fathi Mansur, 20 years old; and  (iii) Talal Fathi Mansur, 19 year old.</li> </ul>
HEBRON	<ul> <li><u>Curfew</u>: The Israeli army continues to impose curfew over the town of Beit Ummar.</li> <li><u>Land Leveling</u>: Israeli bulldozers continue to level agricultural land north and east of the settlements of Kiryat Arba and Harsina.</li> <li><u>Settlement Activity</u>: The Israeli authorities began construction of 144 housing units on Palestinian land for the expansion of Harsina settlement.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.

#### **Flying Checkpoints:** (i) The Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Immatin, Kafr Thulth, and the town of 'Azzun. The Israeli army repositioned itself at the eastern entrance of Qalqilya, (ii) after having evacuated the area last Sunday. **Raid:** At 21:30, several Israeli jeeps raided the city of Qalqiliya. **Closure:** The Israeli army distributed written notices in the villages of Ni'lin and Al Midya announcing that the 2 villages will be under closure for 3 days. **Flying Checkpoints:** (i) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Haris and obstructed the passage of civilians. At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at Al Zawiya (ii) Bridge and prevented civilians from exiting or entering the area. **Raids: SALFIT** (i) At 03:20, an Israeli jeep raided the city of Salfit. At 09:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit (ii) and the town of Brugin. At 15:50, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the town of (iii) Jamma'in, opened fire, fired sound grenades, imposed curfew, searched several houses and arrested 2 brothers. Air Patrol: At 13:30, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the city. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 2 brothers in the town of Jamma'in: (i) Issam Awad, Palestinian National Security officer; and (ii) Ali Awad. **Settler Violence:** After midnight, Israeli settlers threw stones at a Palestinian house located behind the separation wall for over an hour, breaking windows and destroying solar heaters. The Israeli army did not intervene to stop the attack.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

## NORTHERN GAZA

- Closure: The Erez crossing is partially open to workers:
- Evacuation of Post: At 14:00, the Israeli army demanded that the Palestinian National Security evacuate its post located in Palestinian territory north west of Beit Lahia and threatened to shell the location if the Palestinian National Security did not comply.

GAZA CITY	Closure: Al Shuhada' junction remains closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul> <li>Attack: At 15:50, Israeli tanks fired 3 shells towards civilian houses east of Al Mahatta, injuring a 9-year-old girl, Islam Al Ghareeb, by shrapnel.</li> <li>Raid: The Israeli army raided a home and arrested 3 civilians.</li> <li>Injury: The Israeli army injured 9-year-old Islam Al Ghareeb in Al Mahatta by shrapnel from tank shells.</li> </ul>
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>Abu Holi road is partially opened.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Attack: At 00:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Points 9, 10 and 11 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp and Al Namsawi neighborhood.</li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure:         <ul> <li>The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Sufa crossing remains partially open to merchants and workers.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Attack: At 09:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Morag towards the northeast.</li> </ul>