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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 05 January 2006 – 08:00 06 January 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	9		9	Incl. 1 female child in Hebron
Attacks	6	5	11	Incl. 29 artillery shells fired
Raids	18	1	19	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem & 5 in Hebron
Air Patrol	1	_	1	Troops dispatched by helicopters
Arrests	18	_	18	Incl. 2 security officers & 1 student
Detentions	18	_	18	Incl. 1 child & 1 Pal. security officer
Wall Construction	28	_	28	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Attack on Property	1	_	1	Commercial shops closed in Al 'Auja
House Occupations	8	_	8	Incl. 5 around Jenin refugee camp
Flying Checkpoints	14	_	14	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 2 in Tulkarem
Closure of Checkpoints	2	_	2	'Einav & Jubara checkpoints
Closure (per District)	9	1	10	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	29	_	29	Incl. Al Jabiriyat road in Jenin
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. Beit Hanun Crossing partially
Settler Violence	1	_	1	2 civilians injured in Huwwara
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	2	Incl. Pal. security locations shelled
Pal. Security Measure	1	_	1	2 illegal vehicles handed over
TOTAL	164	12	176	

DISTRICT	EVENT

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 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. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and Beit Iksa checkpoints, impeding civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. 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. 	
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 16:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit main road and searched civilians and vehicles. At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the overpass to the village of Kharbatha al Misbah and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and arrested 4 individuals, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 individuals in the town of Silwad: Yasser Abu Zeineh, a Palestinian National Security officer; Mahran Jameel az Zir; Rami Amin ash Shawareb; and Mahmoud Hasan Ramash. 	
JENIN	Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Jabriyat road connecting the area south of the city of Jenin to Jenin refugee camp.	

- <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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tammun and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/House Occupations/Detention:

- (i) Beginning at 01:20 on 03 January 2006, the Israeli army has remained positioned in the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp and continues to occupy 5 houses in the area surrounding Jenin refugee camp, which it has converted into military posts after detaining residents. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while patrolling the area in Jenin refugee camp, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians, including 1 child. Confrontations also took place between civilians and the Israeli army while searching 1 house in the city of Jenin, during which the Israeli army injured 5 civilians. Additionally, the Israeli army searched a number of houses in the city of Jenin and arrested 3 civilians, including 1 university student. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area surrounding Jenin refugee camp as of 08:00 this morning.
- (ii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tubas.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Jenin:
- (i) Hasan Mutee' 'Uweiss;
- (ii) Mohammed Tayseer Jarrar; and
- (iii) Thaer Majed Khateeb.

• <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district.

• 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 Khmeish.
- (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 with dirt barricades the roads connecting the town of Bal'a to the village of Al 'Attara, to the town of 'Illar, and to Dahiyat Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the unpaved detour road in the plain of the village of Ramin with cement blocks.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up near the settlement of 'Einav on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and to deny access to civilian vehicles in both directions.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem and to deny civilian access in both directions.

TULKAREM

	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the village of Al Jarushiya and the town of Bal'a, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access in all directions. Raid/House Occupation/Detention: At 01:00 on 05 January 2006, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Attil, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post after detaining residents. Arrest: At 17:30, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem arrested Kiyan al Jayousi. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits
QALQILIYA	 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 village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of 'Azzun and Jayyus and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel south of the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 14:35, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Hajja. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while it was patrolling the area. • Palestinian Security Measure: Palestinian security forces handed over 2 illegal vehicles, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Beita with dirt barricades. 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 are allowed only entry into the city around the clock.

At 20:40, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint, denying (ii) civilian access.

Flying Checkpoints:

- The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village (i) of Till and searched civilians and vehicles.
- The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village (ii) of 'Osarin and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **<u>Detention</u>**: At 13:45, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint west of the city of Nablus detained 3 individuals, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer.
- Settler Violence: At 20:40, a group of Israeli settlers opened indiscriminate fire towards civilians in the town of Huwwara, injuring 2 civilians.

Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to 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 Bruqin with dirt barricades.
- The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of (iv) Qarawat Bani Hassan with an iron gate and cement blocks.

Checkpoints:

- The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight (i) and open it at various morning hours, impeding civilian access.
- (ii) At 20:40, the Israeli army closed the Za'tara junction checkpoint, denying 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 Checkpoints: At 07:50, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one in the area between the villages of Khirbet Oeis and Mazari' an Nubani and the other in the area between the villages of Khirbet Qeis and 'Ammuriya, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.

Raids:

- (i) At 18:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the village of Yasuf until 19:20.
- At 19:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik, opened (ii) indiscriminate fire, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 20:30.

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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 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and **JERICHO** Nablus and to impede civilian access. Flying Checkpoint/Detention: At 09:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho, searched civilian vehicles, and detained 1 civilian. Attack on Property: The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close commercial shops on both sides of Road # 90 in the centre of the village of Al 'Auja. The order is valid until 08 January 2006. **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. The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the villages of (ii) Husan and Nahhalin with cement blocks. 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. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. **Raids/Detentions: BETHLEHEM** At 02:00 on 05 January 2006, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided (i) the village of Marah Rabah and arrested 2 civilians. At 13:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and (ii) detained 1 child until 22:30. At 17:55, the Israeli army raided 'Ayda refugee camp and detained 2 (iii) civilians, including 1 child, until 22:30. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Ash Shawawra, (iv) searched a number of houses, arrested 3 civilians, and withdrew at 03:00. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Marah Rabah: Mousa Rizq ash Sheikh; and (i) 'Adnan Mohammed ash Sheikh. (ii) The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Ash Shawawra: (iii) Ashraf Mohammed Ahmed Salem; (iv) Omar Mahmoud 'Ayyash; and

	(v) Ala' Mohammed Salem.
HEBRON	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 continues to implement 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 are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are 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 been set up in the area. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances to the village of Beit 'Einun, the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul, the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron, Al Fawwar refugee camp, and the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin. The Israeli army also continues to close with dirt barricades the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp with an iron gate. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to
	refugee camp, and the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin. The Israeli army also continues to close with dirt barricades the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp with an iron gate.
	 towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'. Raids/Air Patrol/House Occupation/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 12:15, Israeli troops, dispatched by an Israeli army combat helicopter, raided the area of 'Ein Fares affiliated with the town of Dura, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post. Israeli troops also searched another house. At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint
	near Al Muqata'a, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and arrested 2 civilians. (iii) At 21:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Beit Ummar and fired 1 gas grenade towards civilians in a wedding party, injuring 2 civilians, including 1 female child as a result of tear gas inhalation. (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and arrested 2 civilians.

• Arrests:

(i) At 17:00, Israeli troops positioned at Al Fawwar junction checkpoint arrested Khaled Ali Abu Wardeh, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Hebron:

- (ii) Wisam Abdul Mu'ti Khalaf; and
- (iii) Hatem Sayyed Ahmed.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Idhna:

- (iv) Mahmoud Abdul Razeq Abu Jheish; and
- (v) Yousef Mohammed 'Awwad.
- <u>House Occupation</u>: The Israeli army continues to implement Military Order # T/02/05 to seize control of the roof of 1 house in the city of Hebron and to use it as a military point from 29 December 2005 until 11 February 2006.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

 Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip, ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line. The Israeli army has prevented civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure</u>: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the areas of evacuated settlements, in the district of Northern Gaza. Prior to imposing the buffer zone, Israeli army combat aircrafts dropped flyers warning that civilians would put their lives in danger if they enter the designated area.
- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases only.

• Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) Between 15:45 and 17:15, the Israeli army fired 4 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory 100 150 metres away from 3 Palestinian National Security locations in the area surrounding the evacuated settlement of Nisanit north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (ii) Between 22:15 and 05:05, the Israeli army fired 25 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun and the area surrounding the evacuated settlement of Nisanit north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- Raid: At 15:35, an Israeli army bulldozer raided 50 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 20 on the Green Line north of the area of the evacuated settlement of Nisanit, north of the town of Beit Lahiya.

GAZA	Activities not reported.		
CENTRAL GAZA	<u>Attack</u> : At 10:35, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 120 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp.		
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.		
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions from 08:00 to 16:00 to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. Sufa Crossing is closed. Attacks: At 10:45, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 214 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory south of Sufa Crossing. At 04:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location between Points 217 and 226 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory south of Sufa Crossing. 		