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# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00, 05 January 2008 – 08:00, 06 January 2008

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths		2	2	2 armed individuals in Gaza
Injuries	6	7	13	Incl., 3 civilians in Qalqilya
Physical Assaults	5		5	Incl. 4 civilians in Nalbus
Arrests	15		15	Incl. 8 civilians in Nablus
Detentions	20	1	21	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	24	1	25	Incl. 6 in Qalqilya; 5 in Tulkarem
Checkpoints	19		19	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	22		22	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem; 2 in Hebron
Attacks	4	8	12	During 2 raids; 7 from military posts
Air Attacks		2	2	Missiles fired on Northern Gaza
Air Patrols		4	4	Incl. 3 combat helicopters
Curfews	4		4	Incl. in 'Azzun, Qalqilya & Nablus
House Demolition	1		1	Demolition of house in Nabllus
House Occupation	4	3	7	Incl. buildings in Nablus
Demolition of Property	7	1	8	Incl. furniture civilian vehicles damage
Land Leveling		1	1	Agricultural land in Breij refugee camp
Wall construction	25		25	Was resumed in the West Bank
Closures	7		7	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Jenin
Closure of Main Roads	35		35	Incl. 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossing points
Medical Obstruction	2		2	Israeli army besieges 2 hospitals
Demonstrations	1		1	In protest of settlement expansion
Palestinian Attacks	1	4	5	Incl. 35 mortars fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	202	39	241	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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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>: At 11:00, the Israeli army closed the city of Jerusalem completely for a number of hours. The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. Additionally, the Israeli army combed the area alongside the apartheid Wall as a result of heated alarms of a suicide attack in the city.

#### • 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 al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.

#### **JERUSALEM**

#### • Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army intensified restrictions at Ramot checkpoint and impeded traffic.
- **Flying Checkpoints**: At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Anata, and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • 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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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 al-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.
RAMALLAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and impeded civilian access. At 18:20, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint completely and denied access until 18:50.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh, set up a checkpoint at its northern entrance, and patrolled it until 22:20.</li> <li>At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled al-Mualimin neighborhood near the refugee camp of al-Jalazon.</li> <li>At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Abu Qash.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ul> <li>(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near the village of al-Rai, and sear4ched civilians and vehicles until 11:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the town of al-Yamoun and the village of al-Araqa.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Attacks: At 19:00, the Israeli army stationed near Salem military camp opened fire intensively towards the village of Rumanna in response to fire opened by armed individuals.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.</li> </ul>
TOUBAS	<ul> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Tayaseer 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.</li> <li>Raids: At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Toubas and the towns of Iqaba and Tamoun.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.</li> <li><u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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's plain; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish.</li> </ul>

	Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at
	Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as
	at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). At 14:50, the Israeli
	intelligence investigated a number of civilians at Einav checkpoint.
	Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 20:35, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the
	town of Allar, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) The Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of
	Kfar Soor, and searched civilians and vehicles.
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	• Raids:
	(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Allar. The
	raid recurred at 19:10 during which the Israeli army set up a checkpoint
	and patrolled the town. The Israeli army withdrew at 20:30.
	(ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta and patrolled it
	until 13:00.
	(iii) At 12:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Saida.
	(iv) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem.
	• Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special
	Israeli permits.
	• Closure of Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural
	roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road that connects the
	town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib.
	(ii) At 16:30, the Israelli army closed the eastern entrance to the town of
	'Azzun with cement blocks.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint
	that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqilya and impede civilian
	access.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the
	village of Hijjeh, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 17:15, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the town of
	Jayyous and the village of Kafr Jammal.
QALQILYA	Raids:
	(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and imposed
	curfew. In addition, the Israeli army clashed with civilians and
	injured 3 civilians, including 2 children. The Israeli army withdrew
	at 16:00.
	(ii) At 13:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Jayyous.
	(iii) At 13:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Hijjeh. The
	raid recurred at 19:00 during which the Israeli army set up a
	checkpoint in the village center.
	(iv) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qaddoum,
	closed the entrances to the village and denied civilian access.
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	(v) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Jeet.
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	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 leveling for Wall construction was resumed in the
	villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr
	Thulth and 'Azzun.
	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 settler
	bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of
	Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al-
	Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing
	checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
	(i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 neighborhood only.
	(ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit
	Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.
	(iii) 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 al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only
NABLUS	allowing access to humanitarian cases.
	(iv) The Israeli army continued to intensify restrictions at the
	checkpoints that are set up around the city of Nablus and impeded
	traffic.
	• Raids:
	(i) Since 01:00 on January 3, the Israeli army has been raiding the city
	of Nablus. In addition, the Israeli army continued to impose curfew
	on the city and occupied a number of buildings and converted them into military posts. Clashes broke out between the Israeli army and
	civilians during house search, resulting in the injury of 3 civilians.
	Additionally, the Israeli army physically attacked and bruised 4
	civilians. Furthermore, the Israeli army continued to besiege the
	National hospital and Rafidya Government Hospital, and denied
	civilian access to them. The Israeli army set up a number of
	checkpoints, arrested 8 civilians, blew up a 2-storey house, and
	incurred damage to house furniture and to civilian vehicles. The
	Israeli army withdrew at 17:00.
	(ii) The Israeli army raided the refugee camp of Balata and opened fire
	intensively during house search.
	• Arrests: The 8 who were civilians arrested in the city of Nablus are:
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	(a) Tayel As'ad Ibrahim;
	(b) Shawkat Sabe' Fayez Baarah;
	(c) Basel Hamayel;
	(d) Ammar Fityan;
	(e) Nidal Sawalhi;
	(f) Azzam Abdel Karim Hamad;
	(g) Arwa Maher al-Kharraz; and
	(h) Hamza Hanouneh.
	• House Demolition: The house that was blown up in the city of Nablus is
	owned by civilian Abu Amjad al-Anabtawi.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues 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 and, with cement blocks, the western
	entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the agricultural road connecting the
	village of Iskaka and the bypass road (trans-Samaria) near Ariel
	settlement.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir
	Ballut and Za'tarah checkpoints and to deny civilian access.
	<ul> <li>Flying checkpoints:</li> </ul>
	(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the
	towns of Brougin and Kafr al-Dik, and searched civilians
	and vehicles until 14:00.
	(ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the
CALETO	western entrance to the town of Hares.
SALFIT	(iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the
	entrance to the town of al-Zawiyyeh, and searched civilians
	and vehicles.
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	• Raids: (i) At 04:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Yassouf, imposed curfew,
	searched a number of houses, arrested 3 civilians including one university
	student, and occupied a civilian house and converted it into a military post.
	(ii) At 07:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Iskaka, imposed curfew, and
	remains in the village until the time this report is being prepared.
	• Arrests:  (i) At 10:20, the James is arrested at 7a'tomb checkmaint civilian Hani
	(i) At 19:30, the Israeli army arrested at Za'tarah checkpoint civilian Hani
	Abdel Latif Jum'ah.
	(ii) The 3 civilians arrested in the village of Yassouf are:
	(a) Omar Mohammad Azzam;
	(b) Abdel Rahim Saleh Misleh; and
	(c) Tamer Samer Yassin.
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of
	the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares

	north of the settlement of Ari'el.
JERICHO	<ul> <li>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 deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs.</li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja along al-Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.</li> <li>At 11:15, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at al-'Auja checkpoint and denied civilian access until 12:35.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raids: At 20:35, the Israeli army raided the village of al-'Auja, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 21:40.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>(i) 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.</li> <li>(ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahour and Bethlehem.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area of al-Nashash (southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and impeded traffic until 19:30.</li> <li>Raids: At 09:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Salah and set up a checkpoint until 11:00.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
HEBRON	Closure:  (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling 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 entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; 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 neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling 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>Flying Checkpoints</u>: At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the towns of Yatta and al-Sammou', and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### Raids:

- (i) At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kreisah and arrested 2 children.
- (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron, and set up a checkpoint in the area of Beer al-Mahjar.

#### Arrests

- (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army arrested near Kiryat Arba' settlement east of the city of Hebron civilian Nazmi Fayyad Sider.
- (ii) The 2 civilians arrested in the village of Kreisah are:
  - (a) Usama Ghassan al-Sharha, 16; and
  - (b) Issam Mohammad al-Ghattous, 16.
- <u>Physical Assaults</u>: At 19:30, the Israeli army physically attacked civilian Samir Abdel Fattah Shabaneh in the old city of Hebron. Abdel Fattah was taken to hospital for treatment.
- <u>Demonstrations</u>: At 11:00, a public march set out, with the participation of international peace activists and supporters, in the town of Beit 'Ummar and headed towards Karmi Tsur settlement in protest of settlement expansion policy. Clashes broke out between civilian protestors and the Israeli army.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin,

and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

# **GAZA STRIP**

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	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).</li> <li>Attacks:</li> </ul>
NORTHERN GAZA	(i) At 20:30, the Israeli army fired 2 missiles from its posts on the Green Line towards armed individuals near the School of Agricultural in the town of Beit Hanoun and killed 2 armed individuals and injured three, one seriously injured.
	(ii) At dawn on January 6, the Israeli army fired one missile from its posts on the Green Line towards armed individuals near the town of Beit Hanoun.
	• <u>Air Attacks</u> : At 23:40, an unmanned drone fired 2 missiles towards armed individuals east of the town of Jabalia.
	<ul> <li><u>Deaths</u>: The armed individual killed neat the School of Agriculture in the town of Beit Hanoun is Mohammad Ahmad Abu Odeh.</li> <li><u>Palestinian Attacks</u>:</li> </ul>
	(i) At 19:20, eight (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
	(iii) (ii) In the evening of January 5, armed individuals fired two mortars towards the Israeli army on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalia.
	Closure of Crossing Points:     Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.
	<ul> <li>(ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open to let in fuel.</li> <li><u>Attacks</u>: At 22:30, the Israeli army fired three tank missiles from its posts on the Green Line towards agricultural land east of al-Shuja'iya neighborhood</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>that is located to the east of the city of Gaza.</li> <li>Air Attacks: At 00:30, Israeli combat helicopters fired a missile towards armed individuals east of al-Shuja'iya neighborhood that is located to the east of the city of Gaza and killed one armed individual and injured four,</li> </ul>
GAZA	one seriously injured.
	• <u>Deaths</u> : The armed individual killed in al-Shuja'iya neighborhood that is located to the east of the city of Gaza is Mahmoud al-Rib'i.
	• Palestinian Attacks: In the evening of January 5, armed individuals fired 6
	mortars towards al-Shuja'iya – Nahal 'Oz Crossing on the Green Line east of the city of Gaza.
	(i) At 04:10, armed individuals fired 12 mortars towards the
	Israeli army on the Green Line east of the city of Gaza.  (ii) At 04:45, armed individuals fired 9 mortars towards the Israeli army on the Green Line east of the city of Gaza.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Raids: At dawn in January 6, the Israeli army raided Palestinian areas east of the refugee camp of al-Breij and opened fire intensively towards civilian

	houses. In addition, the Israeli army occupied roofs of houses and converted		
	them into military posts. Moreover, the Israeli army clashed with armed		
	individuals during house search, detained a number of civilians, and razed		
	agricultural land. The Israeli army remains in the camp until the time this report is		
	being prepared.		
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	• Closure of Crossing Points:		
	(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.		
	(ii) Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is partially open (a number of pilgrims		
	stuck on the Egyptian side in their return from Mecca were allowed into		
RAFAH	Gaza).		
	(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open (to let in goods).		
	(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open (the cargo		
	of 74 trucks was allowed in).		
	• Palestinian Attacks: In the morning of January 6, armed individuals fired two		
	mortars tiowrads Sufa Crossing on the Green Line east of the city of Rafah.		