# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

### **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 07 January 2005 – 08:00 08 January 2005

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths		2	2	Incl. 1 near Al Muntar Crossing
Injury		1	1	9-year-old child in Rafah RC
Attacks	3	8	11	From Israeli army military posts
Raids	16	1	17	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 7 in Nablus
Air Patrol	1	_	1	Over Za'tara junction
Arrests (per person)	11	_	11	9 in Ramallah and 2 in Nablus
Detentions	4		4	Incl. in residential compounds
Land Levelling		1	1	In the area of Qizan An Najjar
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Civil Defence vehicles denied access
Land Confiscations	2	_	2	88.7 & 71.9 <i>dunums</i> in Jib & Biddu
Confiscation of Property	1		1	1 civilian fined NIS 10,000
Curfews	4	_	4	Incl. in Huwwara and 'Aqraba
Flying Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. 2 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. 'Aqraba, Osarin, & An Nu'man
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(6)		Incl. 3 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	1 partially open
Settler Violence	1		1	The village of Yasuf raided
Obstruction of Elections	1		1	1 presidential candidate halted
Palestinian Attack	1		1	Open fire towards 1 settler vehicle
TOTAL	61	16	77	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul> <li>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 entering the Green Line, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, President of the Palestinian National Authority, and President of the State of Palestine (may he rest in peace).</li> </ul>		

#### WEST BANK

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JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army intensified its measures at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols in order to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. The Israeli army also prevented civilians from other districts from entering the city of Jerusalem to perform Friday prayers in Al Aqsa Mosque and detained the IDs of a number of civilians at the gates to Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its measures at checkpoints set up around the city of Jerusalem, particularly at An Nabi Samwil and Qalandiya checkpoints, which control civilian movement between the districts of Jerusalem and Ramallah.</li> <li>Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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>Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued 2 orders to confiscated 88.7 dunums (22.18 acres) of agricultural land in the village of Al Jib and 71.9 dunums (18 acres) of land in the village of Biddu.</li> <li>Confiscation of Property: The Israeli Jerusalem Municipality issued a decision to fine Isma'il Abu Isneineh NIS 10,000, allegedly for constructing his house without possessing the required license in Silwan neighbourhood. Several years ago, under the same pretext, Israeli authorities fined Abu Isneineh NIS 35,000. Abu Isneineh was also fined for constructing a veranda in his house.</li> <li>Obstruction of the Palestinian Elections: The Israeli army halted Palestinian presidential candidate Dr. Mustafa Al Barghouthi in the old city of Jerusalem and prevented him from entering Al Aqsa Mosque compound, despite the fact that he possesses a perm</li></ul>

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Liqya and arrested 7 civilians.</li> <li>At 20:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Bir Zeit and patrolled the area.</li> <li>At 21:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area.</li> <li>At 24:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled the area.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians in the village of Beit Liqya: <ol> <li>'Assem Ali 'Asi;</li> <li>Imad Shihdeh 'Asi;</li> <li>Mohammed Majdi 'Asi;</li> <li>Mohammed Majdi 'Asi;</li> <li>Adham Nizar 'Abed Makharjeh;</li> <li>'Izz Ni'mat Bakr 'Asi; and</li> <li>Bakr Rabah 'Asi.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Israeli troops positioned at a flying checkpoint set up along the Ramallah-</li> </ol></li></ul>
	Nablus road arrested 2 civilians:  (viii) Tareq Ziyad Dababseh; and  (ix) Mu'awiyah 'Awaysah.
JENIN	<ul> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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 Al Kafriyyat road and 'Einav gate, between the districts 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. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Baqa Ash Sharqiya, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 09:30.</li> <li>Raid: At 08:10, an Israeli army patrol raided Dahiyat Izbat Al Jarad in the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area.</li> </ul>

QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 20:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Kur and Kafr Sur and prevented Civil Defence vehicles from entering the village of Kur to extinguish fires.</li> <li>At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure: At 08:00, the Israeli army closed the town of 'Aqraba and the villages of Osarin and Odala.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Za'tara and Beita checkpoints, which control entry into the city of Nablus, and prevented civilian vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Burin and impeded civilian movement, except for those possessing the required permits.</li> <li>At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of 'Asira Al Qibliya and Madama and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the city of Nablus.</li> <li>At 08:00, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Beit Furik and the villages of Salim and Deir Al Hatab and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Attack: At 21:40, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on At Tur Mount in the city of Nablus towards civilian houses in Khallet Al 'Amud and Khallet Ar Ruhban in the city of Nablus and the village of Kafr Qalil.</li> <li>Raids/Curfews:</li> <li>At 11:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Bizzariya, detained dozens of civilians in the village's yard, and prevented several civilians from performing Friday prayers.</li> <li>At 16:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Huwwara, imposed curfew, and patrolled the area.</li> <li>At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil and imposed curfew.</li> <li>At 02:15, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(v) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(vi) At 06:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Asira Ash Shamaliya and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul>

	• Arrests:  (i) The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Sharay'ah in Balata refugee camp.  (ii) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Hamadneh in the town of 'Asira Ash Shamaliya.
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: <ol> <li>Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the village of Deir Ballut along the Green Line and in the area southwest of the village of Kafr Ad Dik.</li> <li>Land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around the settlement of Ariel), and in the village of Az Zawiya, remains suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order.</li> <li>Raid: At 00:30, an Israeli army infantry force raided and patrolled the area north of the city of Salfit.</li> <li>Settler Violence: At 13:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Tappuah, accompanied by the Israeli army, raided the village of Yasuf and took position near a water spring in the village.</li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 16:00, Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli settler vehicle near Za'tara junction, killing 1 Israeli settler and injuring 4 others. Afterwards, the Israeli army, supported by helicopters, combed the area, closed Za'tara junction, and prevented civilians from crossing.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JERICHO	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 prevented civilians from entering the city, including Israeli ID card holders, except those holding Jericho IDs.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the 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>Checkpoints:         <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close, with dirt barricades, the road to the town of Al Khadr, which controls civilian movement between the villages west of the district of Bethlehem.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its measures at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya checkpoint and only allows public vehicles and vehicles possessing the required permits to cross.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was suspended for the</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>weekend north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan.</li> <li>Raid: At 11:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area.</li> </ul>
HEBRON	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.</li> <li>Raid/Curfew: At 19:00, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp, imposed curfew, and patrolled the area.</li> </ul>

## **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases only.
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed.</li> <li>Attacks: <ol> <li>At 13:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards 1 civilian motorcycle travelling along the coastal road.</li> <li>At 16:55, the Israeli army fired 3 tank shells towards Al Hajj Fadl factory east of Gaza city.</li> <li>At 17:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing towards civilians, killing 1 civilian.</li> <li>At 17:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired 2 tank shells towards an orange processing factory near Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing and Al Hajj Fadl factory east of Gaza city.</li> <li>Killing: The Israeli army killed Mohammed Bashir 'Ayyad near Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</li> <li>Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open to elderly civilians only.</li> <li>Abu Holi road is partially open.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Attacks: <ol> <li>At 14:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	settlement of Ganei Tal towards civilians, killing 1 civilian.  (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire indiscriminately from its location at Point 10.5 towards Palestinian territory.  • Killing: The Israeli army killed Mohammed Abu Sal as a result of open fire from the settlement of Ganei Tal.  • Raid/Land Levelling: At 00:50, the Israeli army, including several tanks and bulldozers, raided 300 meters into the area of Qizan An Najjar and levelled land.
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure:         <ul> <li>Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Attack: At 17:45, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 5.5 on the Egyptian border towards civilian houses in As Salaam neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp, injuring 9-year-old Nasser Jaber.</li> </ul>

## **GENERAL**

POLITICAL	<ul> <li>Administrative Detention: Israeli authorities renewed administrative detention sentences (arrest without charge or trial) for 2 political prisoners in 'Ofer Prison.</li> <li>Israeli Measures Against Political Prisoners:         <ul> <li>Political prisoners in Huwwara Detention Centre suffer from difficult imprisonment conditions. The Israeli army provides political prisoners with expired food and frequently assaults them. The Israeli army also severely beat political prisoner Raed At Tahhan, breaking his arm, after forcing him, along with other prisoners, out of their cells, and detained them overnight under the rain for 3 hours.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Preventing Political Prisoners from Participating in the Elections: The         Israeli Supreme Court rejected an application submitted by the Palestinian Authority to allow political prisoners to take part in the Palestinian presidential elections.     </li> </ul>