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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 January 2005 – 08:00 09 January 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	_	1	1	Elderly civilian in Khan Yunis
Injuries	2	_	2	1 male child and 1 female child
Attacks	2	3	5	1 during raids and 4 from posts
Raids	6	1	7	Incl. 2 in Nablus and 2 in Salfit
Arrests (per person)	2	_	2	In the village of Burqa in Nablus
Detentions	3	_	3	Incl. at checkpoints
Wall Construction	20	_	20	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, and Beth.
Curfew	1	_	1	Over the village of Beita
Flying Checkpoints	6	_	6	3 in Jenin and 3 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	3	_	3	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(5)		Incl. 3 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)		(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	1 partially open
Israeli army UXO	1		1	In the area of 'Arab Ar Rashayida
Palestinian Attack	1		1	Open fire towards Kadim Settlement
TOTAL	47	10	57	

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 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).		

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 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. 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. 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. 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction was resumed in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.
JENIN	 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. 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to "Dotan," an Israeli army military post, and searched civilians and vehicles until 09:00.

	 (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Nablus-Jenin road, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 18:00. (iii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jaba' and detained 2 Palestinian National Security officers for 1 hour. • Raid: At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the northern neighbourhood in the city of Jenin and patrolled the area until 01:00. • Palestinian Attack: At 23:00, Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the settlement of Kadim. The Israeli army later opened intensive fire towards civilian houses for 15 minutes.
TULKAREM	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.
QALQILYA	 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of An Nabi Elyas and 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of 'Azzun and Kafr Laqif and prevented civilian vehicles from crossing in both directions, allegedly to remove a suspected object. Raid: At 08:00 on 09 January 2005, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Jinsafut and took position near 1 polling centre for a short period of time.
NABLUS	 Raids/Curfew: (i) At 01:30 on 08 January 2005, the Israeli army raided the village of Burqa and arrested 2 civilians. (ii) At 17:15, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Beita, imposed curfew, opened indiscriminate fire, and erected dirt barricades at the entrance to the village. The Israeli army also detained a number of civilian vehicles after confiscating their keys.

	 Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Burqa: (i) Ihab Hajjeh; and (ii) As'ad Hajjeh.
SALFIT	 Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the village of Deir Ballut along the Green Line and in the area southwest of the village of Kafr Ad Dik. 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. Raid: At 03:00, an Israeli army infantry force raided the city of Salfit and the village of Farkha and patrolled the area.
JERICHO	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army closed all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented Israeli ID card holders from entering the city. <u>Checkpoints</u>: At 22:00, the Israeli army closed all checkpoints along roads leading to the city of Jericho. At 07:00, the checkpoints were reopened.
BETHLEHEM	 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. 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. Israeli Army UXO: At 13:30, an Israeli army UXO exploded in the area of 'Arab Ar Rashayida, injuring 2 children: 10-year-old female Nariman Saleh Mohammed; and 12-year-old male Mohammed Saleh Mohammed.
HEBRON	• 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.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	• <u>Closure</u> : Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases only.		
GAZA	 Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed. Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Raid: At 11:05, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and an infantry force, raided Palestinian territory behind the Engineering Company north of Ash Shuhada' junction. At 12:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. 		
CENTRAL GAZA	Attack: At 22:40, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in the settlement of Kfar Darom towards Palestinian territory west of the settlement.		
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open to elderly civilians only. Attacks: At 08:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Mahfouthah checkpoint towards the concrete factory in the city of Khan Yunis, killing 1 elderly civilian. At 18:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards the area of 'Abasan As Saghira. Killing: The Israeli army killed 61-year-old Mahmoud Yihya Al Farra near the concrete factory in the city of Khan Yunis. 		
RAFAH	 Closure: (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open. 		