# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 12 January 2004 - 08:00 13 January 2004

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	6	3	9	Incl. 2 females
Incursion	1	_	1	Tulkarem refugee camp
Attacks	2	6	8	Incl. Tulk. r.c. throughout day
Raids	13	_	13	
Air Patrol	1	_	1	
Arrests (per person)	31		31	Incl. 2 injured & 3 officers
Detentions	1		1	100s of civ. in Tulkarem r.c.
Land Leveling	1		1	
House Demolitions	1	10	11	Incl. 10 houses in Rafah
Separation Wall Const.	3		3	Jerusalem, Jenin & Ramallah
Destruction of Property	4		4	Incl. 3 houses burnt, Tulk. r.c.
School Occupations	3		3	Incl. UNRWA & govt. school
House Occupations	13		13	Incl. Tulkarem Mukata'a
Curfews	1		1	Tulkarem r.c., barb.wire encl.
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	3		3	
Closures (per District)	7		7	Incl. area of villages, Kafriyat
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
Religious Sites	1		1	Mosque converted to mil. post
TOTAL	92	21	113	

## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>Closure: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to residents from other districts. The Israeli authorities intensified restrictions on movement inside the city, closed all checkpoints and detained dozens of civilians in East Jerusalem.</li> <li>Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the separation wall continues in Abu Dis, Al Eizariya and Al Sawahira.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>At 12:30, the Israeli army surrounded the village of Kafr 'Ein, preventing civilians from entering or leaving the area.</li> <li>At 15:00, the Israeli army closed the entrance to the town of Silwad.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the iron gate leading to the village of Bani Zeid al Gharbiya.</li> <li>Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the separation wall continues in Budrus and Rantis.</li> <li>Raid: At 10:20, an Israeli jeep raided the town of Deir Ghassana and the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Separation Wall Construction/Land Leveling: Israeli authorities continue to level land north of the village of Bardala, east of the village of 'Ein al Beida, near the villages of Al Mutilla and Raba on the Nablus mountain range, and on Al Buqe'a plateau east of Tubas for construction of the separation wall.</li> <li>Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Bruqin, searched several houses and arrested 6 civilians.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in Bruqin:</li> <li>(i) Rami Al Khulif, 19 years old;</li> <li>(ii) Muhammad Hamdan, 20 years old;</li> <li>(iii) Muhammad Al Sa'di, 21 years old;</li> <li>(iv) Muhammad Hammad, 23 years old;</li> <li>(v) Qasim Antar, 25 years old; and</li> </ul>

	(vi) Bilal Hammad, 25 years old.			
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: The city remains a closed military zone. The Israeli army continues to seal off entrances, allowing only residents to enter the city.</li> <li>Attack: At 13:00, the Israeli army, located at the northern and southern entrances of the city, opened fire and fired tear gas grenades intermittently towards civilians trying to cross the checkpoint to reach their workplaces.</li> </ul>			
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>The southern entrance remains closed.</li> <li>The Israeli army closed the permanent checkpoint on the Wadi Nar road connecting Bethlehem to the districts of Jerusalem, Jericho and Ramallah.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the eastern entrance to Beit Sahur.</li> <li>At 12:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the town of Al Khadr.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raid: At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Nu'man and searched 1 house.</li> </ol></li></ul>			
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the Enav iron gate and Al Kafriyat separation wall gate, separating Tulkarem from the districts of Nablus and Qalqiliya. Palestinians holding Israeli IDs are not allowed into the city.</li> <li>At 08:10, all main and sub entrances to the city were closed, preventing civilians from entering or leaving the area.</li> </ol> </li> <li>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.</li> <li>Incursion: <ol> <li>At 08:00, the Israeli army began mobilizing troops for an incursion on Tulkarem refugee camp. 4 tanks and several jeeps took position in neighborhoods adjacent to the refugee camp.</li> <li>At 10:30, the Israeli army, including armored vehicles and supported by helicopters, raided Tulkarem refugee camp, surrounded several</li> </ol> </li></ul>			
	houses and opened intensive fire, injuring several civilians.  (iii) At 10:45, the Israeli army was reinforced with a number of APCs and an APC technical crew that fenced the parameters of the refugee camp with barbed wire, isolating the refugee camp from the city.			

- (iv) At 11:35, the Israeli army was reinforced with 10 additional APCs. The Israeli army continued to open indiscriminate and intensive fire.
- (v) At 11:45, the Israeli army occupied an UNRWA compound, which includes schools, a cultural center and a health center. The compound was converted into a detention center, with civilians between the ages of 16 to 45 detained and interrogated in the outdoor courtyard in the rain.
- (vi) At 11:50, the Israeli army occupied and took up positions in 9 buildings and 3 houses in Tulkarem refugee camp.
- (vii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided Al Muqata'a and occupied Ishbiliya Girls' School and took up positions on its premises.
- (viii) The Israeli army continued to open fire sporadically towards civilian houses and transported civilians to a field near the District Coordinating Office (DCO) located outside of the refugee camp.
- (ix) At 22:00, the Israeli army burned down 3 houses in the refugee camp and prevented fire trucks from extinguishing the fires.
- (x) At 22:35, the Israeli army occupied a mosque in Tulkarem refugee camp and converted it into a military post.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 10:15, the Israeli army raided Nur Shams refugee camp, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta and searched 1 house.
- <u>Injuries</u>: The Israeli army injured 6 civilians in Tulkarem refugee camp, including 2 who were later arrested and 2 females.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 11 civilians in Tulkarem refugee camp, including 2 injured civilians:
- (i) Ashraf Al Tahher, injured;
- (ii) Basil Abu Shihab, injured;
- (iii) Ahmad Sbetan, 27 years old;
- (iv) Nabil Najeeb, 24 years old;
- (v) Haitham Khaled Al Luweisi;
- (vi) Muhammad Qandil, 25 years old;
- (vii) Husam Al Badu;
- (viii) Ammar Ghanim;
- (ix) Ibrahim Ghanim;
- (x) Imad Diyab, 24 years old; and
- (xi) Rami Al Tharif.

The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian from Nur Shams refugee camp:

(xii) Ahmad Shehadeh, 20 years old.

The Israeli army arrested 2 Palestinian National Security officers at the Za'tara checkpoint:

- (xiii) Bassam Abdul Najjar; and
- (xiv) Wa'el Al Shureihi.

NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure: Nablus remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from leaving or entering the city.</li> <li>Raid: The Israeli army raided the city, searched several houses and arrested 3 civilians from the neighborhood of Al Jabal ash Shamali and 1 civilian from the old city of Nablus.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Nablus city: <ul> <li>(i) Ammar Al Khalili;</li> <li>(ii) Muhammad Al Khalili; and</li> <li>(iii) Nael Al Khalili.</li> </ul> The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the old city of Nablus; <ul> <li>(iv) Kayid Hasan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
HEBRON	<ul> <li>Land Leveling: The Israeli army leveled 15 dunums (3.75 acres) of agricultural land located south west of the settlement of Kiryat Arba for expansion and construction of a wall enclosing the settlement.</li> <li>Demolition: The Israeli army fired missiles at and leveled the house of Khalil Al Nawa'ja in the town of Yatta. The house is 180 square meters.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Yatta: <ol> <li>Ziyad Al Nawa'ja;</li> <li>Maher Al Rumi; and</li> <li>Omar Mahmoud Al Ghafi, 18 years old.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and arrested 3 civilians, including a Palestinian General Intelligence officer.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of 'Azzun: <ul> <li>'Anaya Hussein, 35 years old, Palestinian General Intelligence officer;</li> <li>Omar Abdul Halim Anaya, 30 years old; and</li> <li>Fathi Hasan Adwan, 40 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 15:55, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit and the village of Iskaka.</li> <li>At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 1 APC and 5 jeeps, raided the town of Rafat and surrounded and searched 1 house, destroying all the furniture in the house.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

## **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure: The Erez crossing is partially open to workers.
GAZA CITY	<ul> <li>Closure: Al Shuhada' junction remains closed.</li> <li>Attacks: <ol> <li>At 11:50, the Israeli army opened fire towards the east of Gaza city.</li> <li>At 23:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 101 towards south Gaza.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	• Attack: At 21:15, the Israeli army opened fire from the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards civilian houses east of Deir Al Balah.
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 03:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the west of the junction of Kissufim towards the northern area of Al Qarara.</li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Sufa crossing remains partially open to merchants and workers.</li> <li>House Demolition: At 15:20, 2 Israeli bulldozers and 2 tanks entered 50 meters into Palestinian territory at Point 7.5 and demolished 10 houses in Rafah refugee camp, opened fire during the demolition and injured 3 civilians.</li> <li>Attack: <ol> <li>At 15:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired tank shells towards civilian houses in Tel Sultan.</li> <li>At 03:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Morag towards the south.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>