# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 13 January 2005 – 08:00 14 January 2005

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	_	5	5	Incl. 1 child and 3 armed individuals
Injuries	6	6	12	Incl. 2 children
Air Attacks		3	3	Missiles from helicopters
Attacks	6	6	12	Incl. 5 during raids and 5 from posts
Raids	18	4	22	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 1 in Jenin
Air Patrols	1	3	4	Incl. 2 helicopters over Central Gaza
Arrests (per person)	13	7	20	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem & 3 in Jericho
Detentions	7		7	Incl. in residential compounds
Wall Construction	20	_	20	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	2	3	Olive trees, 1 charity, and 1 vehicle
Confiscation of Property	1		1	NIS 2,000 fine imposed on 1 civilian
House Occupations		2	2	In Al Qaraya Al Badawiya, N. Gaza
Curfew	1		1	Tarqumiya
Flying Checkpoints	15		15	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 2 in Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(6)		Incl. 3 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)		(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. 2 partially open
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. olive trees uprooted
Provocation of Pal. Forces	3	2	5	Incl. open fire towards 2 Pal. posts
Palestinian Attacks		3	3	Incl. an armed operation in Al Muntar
TOTAL	100	47	147	

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 crossing 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	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army intensified its measures at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its measures at An Nabi Samwil and Qalandiya checkpoints, which control movement between the districts of Jerusalem and Ramallah, and impeded civilian movement.</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 continues 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> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army closed the entrances to the village of Deir Abu Mash'al and 'Abud with dirt barricades.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the village of 'Atara, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian movement.</li> <li>At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the village of Surda along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</li> <li>At 16:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah, set up a checkpoint near the Palestinian Preventive Security offices, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the</li> </ol> </li></ul>

	city again, patrolled the area surrounding Al Muqata'ah, set up a checkpoint along Al Irsal (Radio) Street, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian, opened fire towards 1 civilian vehicle, and patrolled several neighbourhoods until 08:00.  (ii) At 20:50, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area.  • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Wael Hani 'Arar in the city of Ramallah.
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 continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>Checkpoint: At 19:30, the Israeli army closed Tayasir checkpoint, connecting the area of Tubas to the Jordan Valley, and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jenin and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:30.</li> <li>Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and patrolled several neighbourhoods until 05:00.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army closed Al Kafriyyat road and 'Einav gate and prevented 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 Checkpoints: <ul> <li>At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bal'a, searched civilians and vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>At 10:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at junction to the town of 'Illar. An Israeli army reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the area. At 11:35, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>Raids: <ul> <li>At 11:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area between the town of Bal'a and the village of Al 'Atara and withdrew at 12:00.</li> <li>At 13:30, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem, opened indiscriminate fire, and fired sound grenades while surrounding 1 civilian building, injuring 2 civilians. The Israeli army</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>

	also detained 15 civilians residing in the building, including 13 students from Khadhouri College, and arrested 3 students. At 15:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.  • Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Bal'a arrested 2 civilians: (i) Samer 'Ahed Abu Dayyak; and (ii) Mohammed Ahmed Mansour. The Israeli army arrested 3 students in the city of Tulkarem: (iii) Mustafa Tawfiq Zeidan; (iv) Abdul Rahman Taher Na'louh; and (v) Jad Ibrahim Raddad.
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>Flving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya, searched civilians and vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>At 20:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint south of the village of Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Attack: At 03:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired flares towards the area northeast of the city of Qalqiliya.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and patrolled the area.</li> <li>At 03:15, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya, opened indiscriminate fire, and patrolled the northern neighbourhoods of the city.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Arrests: <ol> <li>At 22:25 on 12 January 2005, during its raid on the city of Qalqiliya, the Israeli army arrested Sharif Usamah Abdul Rahim Fawzi, in addition to those reported yesterday.</li> <li>Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya arrested Bassam Abdul Latif 'Odeh.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction between the town of 'Asira Ash Shamaliya and the village of Talluza, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained a number of civilians. At 17:30, the Israeli army released the detained civilians.</li> <li>Raid: At 02:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Nablus and patrolled the area.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>Detention/Confiscation of Property: At 11:30, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint detained Nasser Jumei'an, a Palestinian National Security officer, and confiscated an illegal vehicle from him. The Israeli troops released Jumei'an after he paid a fine of NIS 2,000.</li> <li>Settler Violence: <ol> <li>At 10:50, a group of Israeli settlers uprooted olive trees from civilian land in the area east of the village of Deir Al Hatab.</li> <li>At 12:30, a number of Israeli settlers raided civilian land west of the village of 'Asira Al Qibliya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli settlers and Palestinian civilians. The Israeli settlers withdrew from the area at 13:30.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: <ol> <li>Land levelling for Wall construction continues 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>Flying Checkpoint: At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Kafr Ad Dik, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian movement until 21:20.</li> <li>Raid: At 20:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit, fired sound grenades, raided a Palestinian National Security location, examined the IDs of all those at the location, and withdrew at 20:40.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: 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.</li> <li>Checkpoint: At 19:30, the Israeli army closed Al Hamra junction checkpoint, connecting the district of Nablus to the Jordan Valley, and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions.</li> <li>Raid: At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Jiftlik, set up 3 checkpoints, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Arrests: At 19:00, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra junction checkpoint, located along Wadi Al Badhan road, arrested 3 individuals, including Hamdan Dababseh, a Palestinian National Security officer.</li> </ul>
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 continues north of the district		
	of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo),		
	and west of the village of Husan.		
	• Raids:		
	<ul> <li>(i) At 15:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 16:05.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:25, Israeli army patrols raided the towns of Al Khadr and Al 'Ubeidiya and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(iii) At 04:20, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the village of Ash</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Shawawra and patrolled the area.</li> <li>Arrests: On the evening of 13 January 2005, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians inside the Green Line:</li> </ul>		
	(i) Hisham Abdul Rahim Hamamreh; and		
	(ii) Hussam Yunis Hamamreh.		
	Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues 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.		
	• Raids/Curfew:		
HEBRON	<ul> <li>(i) Beginning at 11:00 on 11 January 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the towns of Idhna and Tarqumiya. The Israeli army imposed curfew over the town of Tarqumiya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in the 2 towns, during which the Israeli army injured 4 civilians, including 2 children.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa' and searched</li> </ul>		
	a number of houses.		

# **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.</li> <li><u>Raid/House Occupations</u>: At 15:10, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory west of Al Qaraya Al Badawiya north of the town of Beit Lahiya, occupied 2 houses, and converted them into military posts.</li> </ul>
GAZA	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: Nitsareem junction remains closed.</li> <li><u>Air Attack</u>: At 02:30, Israeli army helicopters fired 2 missiles towards civilian houses in An Nazzar Street in Ash Shuja'iyyah neighbourhood east of Gaza city.</li> </ul>

#### • Attacks:

- (i) At 00:25, the Israeli army opened fire towards 1 Palestinian National Security checkpoint in the area of Sheikh 'Ajlin.
- (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell towards civilian houses east of Ash Shuja'iyyah neighbourhood east of Gaza city.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 22:20, the Israeli army, including several tanks and 1 infantry force, raided Palestinian territory near Az Zahra' city south of Gaza city.
- (ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army, including several tanks, raided Palestinian territory, took position in the area surrounding Al Hajj Fadl's factory, and opened intensive fire, injuring 1 civilian.

#### • Palestinian Attacks:

- (i) At 22:40, an armed operation took place at Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing, resulting in the killing of 6 Israeli soldiers and the injury of 15 other soldiers. The 3 armed Palestinian individuals were also killed in the operation.
- (ii) At 02:30, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. The Israeli army responded by open fire towards civilian houses in Az Zahra' city.
- <u>Killings</u>: The Israeli army killed 3 armed Palestinian individuals in Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing:
- (i) Muhannad Al Mansi;
- (ii) Mahmoud Al Masri; and
- (iii) Smair Juha.

#### • Air Attacks/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 14:00, Israeli army helicopters fired missiles towards 1 vehicle parked near the Municipality of Wadi As Salqa south of the city of Deir Al Balah, destroying the vehicle, after requesting Palestinian security forces (through the DCO) to send a Palestinian unit responsible for dismantling explosives to examine the vehicle.
- (ii) At 00:50, Israeli army helicopters fired missiles towards the offices of Al Ihsan Charitable Society in the city of Deir Al Balah, injuring 1 civilian and causing damage to the offices.

# • Raid: Beginning at 09:15 on 12 January 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp. The Israeli army opened intensive fire, killing 2 civilians, including 1 child, and injuring 7 other civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 7 civilians before withdrawing from the area at 14:45.

- **<u>Killings</u>**: The Israeli army killed 2 civilians east of Al Bureij refugee camp:
- (i) Ramadan Al Qarnawi; 10 years old; and
- (ii) Sa'id Abdul Salam.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians east of Al Bureij refugee camp:

## CENTRAL GAZA

	(i) Ahmed Khalaf;
	(ii) Mohammed Khalaf;
	(iii) Akram 'Awwad Al Batshan;
	(iv) Yousef 'Awwad Al Batshan;
	(v) Yasser 'Awwad Al Batshan;
	(vi) Nafez 'Awwad Al Batshan; and
	(vii) Ahmed 'Awwad Al Batshan.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Closure:</li> <li>(i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open to elderly civilians only.</li> <li>(iv) Abu Holi road is partially open.</li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 21:30, 1 Qassam was fired, but fell in Palestinian territory.</li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</li> <li>Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Attack: At 00:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 207 on the Green Line towards 1 Palestinian National Security location near Sufa Crossing.</li> </ul>