مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

 $08:00\ 13\ January\ 2006-08:00\ 14\ January\ 2006$

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	3	_	3	Incl. 1 female civilian bitten by a dog
Attacks	4	5	9	Incl. 26 artillery shells fired
Raids	14	_	14	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 5 in Bethlehem
Arrests	5	_	5	Incl. 3 children
Detentions	7	_	7	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	Incl. olive trees cut down in Burin
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	Gold jewellery stolen in Kafr ad Dik
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a mil. post in Hebron
Flying Checkpoints	7	_	7	Incl. 1 in Ramallah & 4 in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoint	1	_	1	'Einav checkpoint, Tulkarem district
Closure (per District)	9	1	10	Incl. An Nu'man, Husan, & Nahhalin
Closure of Main Roads	27	_	27	Incl. Al Jabiriyat road in Jenin city
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun & Rafah partially
Settler Violence	3	_	3	Incl. car tyres burnt in Hebron
Obstruction of Elections	1	_	1	Electoral campaign posters torn apart
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	2	3	Incl. shelling near Pal. sec. locations
Palestinian Attack	1	_	1	Open fire towards 1 checkpoint
Pal. Security Measure	1	_	1	1 Israeli settler handed over, Jericho
TOTAL	88	13	101	

DISTRICT	EVENT

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, impeding access of civilians to perform Friday prayers in Al Aqsa Mosque. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and Beit Iksa checkpoints and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, around the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim, and west of the village of Al Jib.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud. Flying Checkpoint: At 10:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Bir Zeit University, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Raids: At 16:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the villages of An Nabi Salih and Kafr 'Ein until 16:40. At 02:20, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Jabriyat road connecting the area south of the city of Jenin to Jenin refugee camp. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Raids: At 24:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, opened indiscriminate fire, searched 2 houses in Jenin refugee camp, and withdrew at 02:00.

	 Arrests: At 18:30, Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas arrested 2 children, claiming that they were in possession of a homemade explosive device: Sufyan 'Uqab Sbeih, 17 years old; and Hilal Falah Sbeih, 17 years old. Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 16:10, the Israeli authorities demanded (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces not leave their positions in the city of Jenin, not carry out their security duties even if
	they wear civilian clothing, and not carry weapons.
TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr al Labad and the village of Al Hafasa and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khmeish. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the towns of Bal'a and Deir al Ghusun with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads connecting the town of Bal'a to the village of Al 'Attara, to the town of 'Illar, and to Dahiyat Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up near the settlement of 'Einav on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and to deny access to civilian vehicles. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 20:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 20:40, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of 'Illar.
QALQILIYA	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. 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 levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Raid: At 20:35, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 child, claiming that they threw stones at Israeli vehicles. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of 'Azzun: Mustafa Hasan Salameh, 16 years old; and Mohammed Hasan Salameh.

NABLUS	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours. The Israeli army limited the time for crossing Huwwara checkpoint to the period between 06:00 and 23:00. Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: At 16:20, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar cut down olive trees on civilian land in the village of Burin. Palestinian Attack: At 23:45, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned at 'Awarta checkpoint, Consequently, Israeli troops opened fire and closed the checkpoint, denying civilian access.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the main northwestern entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours, impeding civilian access. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. Raid/Destruction & Confiscation of Property: Beginning at 04:20 on 13 January 2006, the Israeli army remained positioned in town of Kafr ad Dik, searched a number of houses using Police dogs, and arrested 1 civilian. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army injured 2 civilians. An Israeli Police dog also bit and injured 1 female civilian. Additionally, the Israeli army damaged furniture of 1 house, broke its window glass, and stole gold jewellery estimated at JD 1,100. At 12:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Rami Rateb ad Dik in the town of Kafr ad Dik.
JERICHO	• <u>Closure</u> : Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army prevents farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for Jerusalem and Jericho ID holders.

Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra (i) checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and to impede civilian access. At 16:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO (ii) checkpoint south of the city of Jericho, impeding civilian access in both directions. Flying Checkpoint: At 16:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles. Palestinian Security Measure: At 22:30, Palestinian security forces handed over to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) an inebriated Israeli settler along with his motorcycle. The Israeli settler had provoked civilian owners of commercial shops along Road # 90 in the centre of the village of Al 'Auja. **Closure:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu'man in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the villages of (ii) Husan and Nahhalin with cement blocks. 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 # 60. **BETHLEHEM** Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. Raids: (i) At 13:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (iii) city of Bethlehem and the town of Al Khadr. **Closure:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. **HEBRON** The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close (ii) civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kirvat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access

- permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh.
- Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances to Al Hawawir area leading to the town of Halhul, the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin, and Al Fahs area south of the city of Hebron. The Israeli army has also continued to close with dirt barricades the junctions to Al Fawwar refugee camp and to Farsh al Haw area leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'.
- Flying Checkpoints/Obstruction of Elections:
- (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Wadi al Quff road leading to the towns of Tarqumiya and Beit Ula and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 16:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also tore apart electoral campaign posters for candidates running for the upcoming Palestinian legislative elections.
- Raid: At 17:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Mrabba'et Sibta, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- House Occupation: The Israeli army continues to implement Military Order #T/02/05 to seize control of the roof of 1 house in the city of Hebron and to use it as a military point from 29 December 2005 until 11 February 2006.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 10:40, a group of Israeli settlers burnt car tyres in the area of Al Qasaba in the old city of Hebron.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

 Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip, ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line. The Israeli army has prevented civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the areas of evacuated settlements, in the district of Northern Gaza. Prior to imposing the buffer zone, Israeli army combat aircrafts dropped flyers warning that civilians would put their lives in danger if they enter the designated area. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases only. Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: Between 10:00 and 18:30, the Israeli army fired 18 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory near 4 Palestinian National Security locations in the area surrounding the evacuated settlement of Eli Sinai north of the town of Beit Lahiya. Between 14:35 and 15:35, the Israeli army fired 5 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory 200 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location on Al Masriyyin Street in the area surrounding the town of Beit Hanun.
GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<u>Attack</u> : At 13:15, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 116 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory south of Wadi Gaza.
KHAN YUNIS	Attacks: (i) At 18:15, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 174 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara. (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army opened fire and fired 3 flares from Point 147 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara.