# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 18 January 2004 - 08:00 19 January 2004

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	1	_	1	15 yr. old run over by settler
Attacks	1	1	2	
Raids	11	_	11	
Air Patrols	4	5	9	
Arrests (per person)	11		11	Incl. Military Coord. officer
Detentions	3	_	3	Incl. civ. & doctor at chpnt.
Separation Wall Const.	3	_	3	Jerusalem, Jenin & Ramallah
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	
Curfews	4	_	4	
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	13		13	
Closures (per District)	11		11	Incl. isol. of Qalq. & W. Ram.
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	_	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	1 Partially open to workers
Settlement Activity	1	_	1	Sett. outpost west Ramallah
Settler Violence	9		9	Incl. hit child, att. on sch. girls
Religious Sites	1		1	
Palestinian Attacks	_	3	3	
TOTAL	75	12	87	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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# **WEST BANK**

JERUSALEM	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: 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 the eastern part of the city.</li> <li><u>Separation Wall Construction</u>: Construction of the separation wall continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis and Al Sawahira.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to seal off the villages of Kafr Ni'ma, Ras Karkar, Deir Ammar, and Al Janiya, west of Ramallah city, with dirt mounds. The Israeli army prevented civilians from using alternative dirt roads to reach their destinations.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the road between Ramallah and Bir Zeit.</li> <li>Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the separation wall in Budrus and Rantis continues.</li> <li>Settlement Activity: Israeli settlers erected a new settlement outpost near the settlement of Hallamish.</li> <li>Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Deir Abu Mash'al and the village of Deir Nidham, imposed curfew and searched several houses.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 17:15, Israeli military aircraft patrolled the skies over the district.</li> <li>Settler Violence: <ol> <li>At 10:40, Israeli security personnel from the settlement of Hallamish abducted 2 children who are residents of the village of Deir Nidham.</li> <li>At 21:00, Israeli settlers from the settlement of Hallamish burned tires on the road to Beit Illu and set fire to 1 bus.</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 education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>Separation Wall Construction / Land Leveling: Land leveling in the northern valleys (Bardala, and 'Ein al Beida) and east of Tubas (Al Mutilla, Al Mughayyir, Raba, and Al Buqei' plateau) continues.</li> <li>Raid: At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Mutilla and searched</li> </ul>

	3 houses.
JERICHO	Activities not yet reported.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure:         <ul> <li>The Beit Jala/Al Walaja road remains closed by dirt and rock mounds.</li> <li>The southern entrance to the city and the Al Khadr/Beit Jala road was closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Settler Violence / Destruction of Property: Settlers destroyed land belonging to the village of Khirbet Sakariya, destroyed water pipes, chopped down 100 grape vines and smashed the glass of a public vehicle.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Flving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 08:30, an Israeli jeep set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the town of Bal'a, obstructing movement of traffic.</li> <li>At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road between the town of Jayyus and the village of Kafr Jamal on the main Tulkarem/Qalqiliya road, stopped vehicles, forced passengers out of their vehicles and forced several civilians to lie down on the ground.</li> <li>At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road between Dhinnaba and Kafr Al Labad on an alternative road connecting Tulkarem to Nablus, obstructed the movement of traffic, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs.</li> <li>At 19:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Far'un, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs.</li> </ol> </li> <li>At 19:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Jarushiya on the road connecting Tulkarem to its northern villages.</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 education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 19:00, and again at 20:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Far'un, imposed curfew and conducted a house search campaign.</li> <li>At 00:20, the Israeli army, including 1 APC and1 tank and accompanied by helicopters, raided Tulkarem refugee camp and searched houses before withdrawing at 04:30.</li> <li>At 07:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta, searched houses and arrested 6 civilians, including a Palestinian Coordination Committee officer.</li> </ol> </li></ul>

	• Air Patrol: At 08:00, Israeli reconnaissance patrolled the skies over
	Tulkarem city and refugee camp.
	• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in Anabta:
	(i) Bashar Omar, 26 years old;
	(ii) Tariq Musa, 24 years old, Palestinian Coordination Committee officer;
	(iii) Muhammad Kan'an, 23 year sold;
	(iv) Murad Zedan, 20 years old;
	(v) Salah Khadra, 38 years old; and
	(vi) Abdallah Khadra, 18 years old.
	(vi) Abdanan Khadra, 16 years old.
	• Closure:
	(i) Nablus remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from
	leaving or entering the city.
	(ii) The Israeli army closed off the village of Sabastiya, preventing
	civilians from entering or leaving the area.
	(iii) The Israeli army closed the northern entrance of Balata refugee camp
	and prevented civilians from leaving the area for several hours.
	• <u>Detentions</u> :
	(i) The Israeli army detained 70 civilians at a checkpoint on the road
	between Asira ash Shamaliya and Ijnisinya for several hours.
	(ii) Israeli soldiers located at a checkpoint near the village of 'Azmut
NABLUS	detained Sabir Rajab, handcuffed him, confiscated his communication
	devices, verbally assaulted him and prevented him from entering the
	village of 'Azmut.
	• Settler Violence: At 08:00, an Israeli settler ran over 5-year-old
	Muhammad Khamous near the town of Huwwara and then fled the scene
	of the accident.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 16:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Nablus and abducted
	2 civilians.
	(ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Till, searched 1 house
	and arrested 1 civilian.
	(iii) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Zawata, searched 1
	house and arrested 1 civilian.
	(iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik, searched several
	houses and arrested 1 civilian.
	• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from Nablus city:
	(i) Ahmad Ibsese; and
	(ii) Nadir Al Kusa.
	The Israeli army arrested Muhammad Abu Asida in the village of Till.
	The Israeli army arrested Firas Abu Lowh in the village of Zawata.
	The Israeli arrested Fadi Khatatba, 20 year old, in the town Beit Furik.

HEBRON	<ul> <li><u>Settler Violence</u>: Settlers destroyed civilian property in Wadi An Nasara and Al Shuhada' street and assaulted female elementary students from Qartaba Elementary School.</li> <li><u>Raid on Religious Site</u>: The Israeli army raided the mosque in the city, searched it and detained dozens of worshipers.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the town of 'Azzun and the iron gate at the northern entrance. The Israeli army set up a checkpoint under the bridge leading to the northern villages, cutting access from Qalqilya to all villages located in the north, south, and east and completely isolating the district from Tulkarem.</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 education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> </ul>
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure: At 17:00, the Israeli army closed and imposed curfew over the town of Beit Illu.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 08:00, the Israeli army set up several flying checkpoints on the main road of Za'tara, south of Qalqiliya.</li> <li>The Israeli army closed the checkpoints of Al Zawiya, Dear Ballut and the entrance of Qarawat Bani Zeid with dirt barricades, isolating Salfit city from its western villages.</li> <li>At 08:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Al Lab-an ash Sharqi and obstructed movement of traffic.</li> <li>Raid: At 19:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik, opened fire and cut off the electricity supply to the town.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 07:00, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over Salfit at low altitude.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

#### **GAZA STRIP**

# Closure: The Erez crossing was partially open to workers. Air Patrol: At 20:20, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the district throughout the day. Palestinian Attack: At 19:30, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line. Another was fired at 21:15.

GAZA CITY	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed.</li> <li><u>Air Patrol</u>: At 20:20, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the district.</li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul> <li><u>Attack</u>: At 21:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards the south of Deir Al Balah city.</li> <li><u>Air Patrol</u>: At 20:20, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the district.</li> </ul>
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> <li>At 09:25, the Israeli army announced that it would close Al Tuffah checkpoint, connecting the city of Khan Younis to Al Mawasi, for 1 week.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Air Patrol: At 20:20, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the district extensively.</li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Sufa crossing was partially open to workers.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 20:20, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the district.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

PERMITS	
GAZA STRIP	Despite Israeli announcements of allowing workers to resume their work in the Green Line and Industrial Areas, only 2,698 out of 14,422 workers crossed the Green Line.  • Permits to Cross the Green Line: 2,046 • Permits to enter Industrial Areas: 652