مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 21 January 2005 – 08:00 22 January 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1	_	1	1 mentally challenged civilian
Attacks	2	1	3	1 during a raid & 2 from mil. posts
Raids	19	_	19	Incl. 6 in Salfit and 3 in Hebron
Arrests (per person)	7	_	7	Incl. 1 mentally challenged civilian
Detentions	8	2	10	Incl. in residential compounds
House Occupations	3	_	3	Incl. 2 houses in Hebron
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	15	_	15	Incl. 1 in Jenin and 4 in Salfit
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(6)		Incl. 1 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Incl. 2 partially open
Settler Violence	1	_	1	4-year-old child run over
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	Position near 1 Pal. post in Salfit
Palestinian Attacks	1	1	2	Incl. open fire towards 1 Israeli patrol
TOTAL	64	10	74	

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.

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 to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its measures at An Nabi Samwil and Qalandiya checkpoints, which control movement between the districts of Jerusalem and Ramallah, and impeded civilian movement. 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 suspended for the weekend 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	 Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Qarawat Bani Zeid and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village. At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the village of 'Atara and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. Raids: At 17:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid, searched 1 house, and withdrew at a later time. At 22:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of El Bireh and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Fadi Mohammed Abu Sha'ban in the city of El Bireh.

Closure: At 13:00, the Israeli army distributed notices to farmers in the village of Bardala notifying them that they are prohibited from accessing their agricultural land until 01 May 2005 for completion of Wall construction. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. Flying Checkpoint: At 11:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint **JENIN** along the Jenin-Nablus road near the village of Bir Al Basha and closed the road in both directions, detaining dozens of vehicles on both sides of the checkpoint. Attack: At 16:05, the Israeli army opened fire towards 1 mentally challenged civilian while he was digging a hole into the Wall, using a hammer and chisel, near Salim checkpoint north of Jenin, injuring him. The Israeli army also arrested the mentally challenged civilian. **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian near the Wall. Palestinian Attack: At 20:00, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli army patrol near Ash Shuhada' junction. **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to close Al Kafriyyat road and 'Einav gate, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints on the junctions to Al Jarushiya, Zeita, 'Illar, Baqa Ash Sharqiya, and in the area of Al Jarushiya, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 11:00. **Raids/House Occupations:** (i) At 21:00 on 20 January 2005, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Attil, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post, after forcing TULKAREM residents to evacuate. The Israeli army remains positioned in the house as of 08:00 this morning. At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Seida and arrested 1 (ii) Palestinian National Security officer. At 02:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 08:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the junction to the town of (iii) Zeita, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post. At 11:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested 'Imad Ahmed 'Ajaj, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the village of Seida.

QALQILYA	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. At 09:00, the Israeli army closed the tunnel to the village of Habla under the Wall, south of the city of Qalqiliya. At 12:00, the Israeli army reopened the tunnel. Raid: At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the town, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at a later time.
NABLUS	 Flying Checkpoint: At 07:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Burqa along the Nablus-Jenin road and prevented civilian vehicles from accessing the city of Nablus. Raids: At 20:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp, fired sound grenades towards Balata refugee camp, and patrolled the area. The Israeli army withdrew from the area at a later time. At 23:10, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled several neighbourhoods.
SALFIT	 Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Kafr Ad Dik and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village. At 07:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near a Palestinian National Security location at the entrance to the city of Salfit and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 13:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the villages of 'Ammuriya and Khirbet Qeis, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 01:10, the Israeli army raided the 2 villages again and set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Salfit.

	(ii) At 17:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Marda and
	patrolled the area until 18:00. (iii) At 23:55, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit,
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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.
BETHLEHEM	 <u>Closure</u>: 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. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Construction of the Wall was suspended for the weekend north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the settler bypass road between the towns of Beit Ummar and Halhul and closed the road due to an Israeli settler procession from the settlement of Karmei Tzur towards the city of Hebron. Raids: At 04:00 on 21 January 2005, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa' and arrested 4 civilians. At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'im, searched a number of houses, and served summons to the family of a civilian wanted by the Israeli army raided Al Fawwar refugee camp and detained 1 Palestinian Police officer, allegedly for owning an illegal vehicle. The Israeli army withdrew from the area at a later time. Arrests: On 21 January 2005, the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of As Samoa': Bahham Mohammed Al Hujouj; Mousa Majed Harahsheh; Mahmoud Mustafa Abu Lthou'; and

- <u>House Occupation</u>: At 16:00, the Israeli army occupied 2 houses in the centre of the old city of Hebron and converted them into military posts, after forcing residents to evacuate.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 15:00, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over 4-year-old Basel Wael Ar Rajabi in the old city of Hebron, after which he was transported to hospital for injuries sustained.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	• <u>Closure</u> : Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to foreign diplomatic vehicles and ill civilians only.
GAZA	 Closure: At 16:25, the Israeli army closed Sheikh 'Ajlin coastal road with dirt barricades. At 19:30, the road was reopened. Nitsareem junction remains closed. Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Nahal 'Oz Crossing is closed. Palestinian Attack: At 07:45, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
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 closed. Abu Holi road is partially open. At 15:20, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints. At 19:15, the road was reopened. Attack: At 23:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Points 10 and 11 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.
RAFAH	 Closure: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open to those entering the Gaza Strip. Sufa Crossing is closed. Al Mawasi/Rafah road is closed.