# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 21 January 2007 – 08:00 22 January 2007

# **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

| EVENT                      | WEST BANK | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL | NOTES                                       |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|-------|---|
| Physical Assault           | 1         | _          | 1     | 1 civilian beaten at a checkpoint, Nablus   |
| Injuries                   | 1         | 1          | 2     | Incl. 1 civilian in critical condition      |
| Attacks                    | 1         | 2          | 3     | 1 in a raid & 2 from military posts         |
| Raids                      | 13        | _          | 13    | Incl. 3 in Bethlehem & 3 in Hebron          |
| Air Patrol                 | 1         | _          | 1     | Helicopters over Za'tara town, Bethlehem    |
| Arrests                    | 4         | _          | 4     | Incl. 2 brothers in Yatta town, Hebron      |
| Detentions                 | 16        | _          | 16    | At checkpoints & in residential areas       |
| House Demolition           | 1         | _          | 1     | 1 residential building in Jerusalem city    |
| Wall Construction          | 26        | _          | 26    | Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth. |
| Attack on Property         | 1         | _          | 1     | A family demanded to evacuate, Hebron       |
| Curfew                     | 1         | _          | 1     | Over the village of Al 'Auja, Jericho       |
| Closure of Checkpoints     | 14        | _          | 14    | Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints       |
| Flying Checkpoints         | 18        | _          | 18    | Incl. 8 in Jenin and 3 in Salfit            |
| Closure (per District)     | 6         | _          | 6     | Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially      |
| Closure of Main Roads      | 32        | _          | 32    | Incl. 2 in Bethlehem & 11 in Hebron         |
| Closure of Crossing Points | _         | 6          | 6     | Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially           |
| Attack on Religious Site   | 1         | _          | 1     | 1 mosque searched in the city of Hebron     |
| School Disruption          | 1         |            | 1     | Students denied access to schools, Jericho  |
| Settler Violence           | 1         |            | 1     | Anti-Arab slogans shouted in Hebron         |
| Palestinian Attacks        |           | 7          | 7     | 11 mortars fired towards the Green Line     |
| TOTAL                      | 139       | 16         | 155   |   |

# **WEST BANK**

| ALL<br>DISTRICTS          | • The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.  |
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| JERUSALEM                 | <ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.</li> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.</li> <li>House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 residential building belonging to Mohammed Mahmoud al A'mass in Al Mukabbir Mount neighbourhood in the city of Jerusalem. The building consisted of 8 flats.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul> |
| RAMALLAH<br>&<br>EL BIREH | Closure of Main Roads:     (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.     (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.  |

|          | <ul> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud, in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin, Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis, and in the town of Beituniya.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 01:35, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area until 02:40.</li> <li>The Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and searched 1 house.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>   |
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| JENIN    | <ul> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan as well as the road connecting the town of Qabatiya to the village of Misliya.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Az Zababida and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Ti'innik and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>The Israeli army set up 5 flying checkpoints: 2 between the town of Qabatiya and the village of Misliya and between the town of Kafr Ra'i and the village of Fahma; 1 in the area of As Suweitat east of the city of Jenin; and 2 on the junctions to the villages of 'Anza and Az Zawiya along the Jenin-Nablus road. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raid: The Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Tubas.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> |
| TULKAREM | <ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city) and Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city).</li> </ul>   |

|           | <ul> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the junction to the town of Bal'a and the other at the entrance to the</li> </ul>  |
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|           | town of 'Attil, and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:35.   |
| QALQILIYA | <ul> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and the other on the junction to the village of Immatin, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>  |
| NABLUS    | <ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:</li> <li>Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints.</li> <li>At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only.</li> <li>Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.</li> <li>Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.</li> <li>Physical Assault: At 09:40, Israeli troops positioned at Beita checkpoint severely beat Saleem Jamil Dweikat, leaving him with contusions. As a result, Dweikat was transported to hospital for medical treatment.</li> <li>Raids/Detentions/Attack/Injury:</li> <li>At 12:05, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and patrolled the</li> </ol> </li></ul> |

|         | (ii) At 02:10, the Israeli army, including 14 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp as well as searched 1 soap factory, after detaining workers outside. While patrolling the area in the refugee camp, the Israeli army opened fire and fired tear gas grenades, injuring Ahmed Mahdi Omar. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew.   |
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| SALFIT  | <ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current Intifada (Uprising).</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area 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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:20.</li> <li>At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village of Marda and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 24:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul> |
| JERICHO | <ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. The Israeli army has also installed computers at the 2 checkpoints to examine civilians' IDs, thereby impeding civilian access.</li> <li>Raid/Curfew/School Disruption: Beginning at 20:30 on 20 January 2007, the Israeli army has remained positioned in the village of Al 'Auja and has continued to impose curfew. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses. Although final examinations are being held at governmental schools, the Israeli army prevented students from accessing their schools. In addition, the Israeli army served summons to a civilian and his son to report to the Israeli Intelligence Agency. The Israeli army continues to impose curfew over the village as of 08:00 this morning.</li> </ul>            |

## Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. 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. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat. Raids: **BETHLEHEM** (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided Dahiyat ad Doha in the city of Bethlehem, searched 1 commercial shop, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 06:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Hamdi Murrar in Dahiyat ad Doha in the city of Bethlehem. Air Patrol: At 13:40, an Israeli combat helicopter patrolled the skies over the town of Za'tara. **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city (i) of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless **HEBRON** they possess access permits. **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to

prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street

that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.

• <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
- (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles.

### • Raids/Attack on Religious Site:

- (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the town of Yatta, searched 2 houses, and arrested 3 civilians, including 2 brothers. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched 1 mosque. At 07:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Yatta:
- (i) Kheirat Khalil Mis'ef;
- (ii) Khaled Khalil Mis'ef; and
- (iii) 'Isa Isma'il al 'Umour.
- <u>Attack on Property</u>: At 20:30, the Israeli army demanded that Firyal Abu Heikal, a female civilian, evacuate her house in Tal Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 16:45, a group of Israeli settlers shouted anti-Arab slogans and demanded that civilians close their commercial shops in the old city of Hebron.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

## The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory on 2 occasions, critically injuring 1 ALL **DISTRICTS** civilian. In addition, armed Palestinian individuals fired 11 mortars towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar exploded in the area from which it was launched. **Closure of Crossing Point:** Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. **NORTHERN** Attack/Injury: At 21:40, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire **GAZA** agreement, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 9 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya, critically injuring Mohammed 'Ativyeh Abu Mustafa.

|                 | <ul> <li>Palestinian Attacks: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 3 mortars towards the Green Line, as follows:         <ol> <li>At 08:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it exploded in the area from which it was launched.</li> <li>At 17:25, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>At 21:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>   |
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| GAZA            | <ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>(i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 22:35, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> </ul>  |
| CENTRAL<br>GAZA | <ul> <li>Attack: At 14:10, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 120 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> <li>Palestinian Attacks: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 7 mortars towards the Green Line, as follows: <ol> <li>At 10:00, 5 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>At 16:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>At 21:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> |
| KHAN YUNIS      | Activities not reported.   |
| RAFAH           | <ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |