# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 15 November 2005 – 08:00 16 November 2005

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

| EVENT                      | WEST BANK | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL | NOTES                                     |
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| Attacks                    | 1         | 11         | 12    | Incl. several tank shells fired           |
| Raids                      | 25        | 2          | 27    | Incl. 6 in Hebron & 1 in Central Gaza     |
| Air Patrols                | 2         | _          | 2     | Incl. troops dispatched by helicopters    |
| Arrests                    | 19        | _          | 19    | Incl. 1 female university student         |
| Detentions                 | 14        | _          | 14    | Incl. 1 female child                      |
| House Demolitions          | 2         | _          | 2     | In the town of Beit Hanina, Jerusalem     |
| Land Levelling             | _         | 2          | 2     | Incl. east of Gaza city                   |
| Wall Construction          | 25        | _          | 25    | Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth. |
| Destruction of Property    | 4         | _          | 4     | Incl. 1 barracks demolished in Tuqu'      |
| Land Confiscation          | 1         | _          | 1     | 16.44 dunums in 'Aqraba, Nablus           |
| House Occupations          | 2         | _          | 2     | Incl. a number of houses in Qabatiya      |
| Curfew                     | 1         | _          | 1     | Over the village of Al 'Auja, Jericho     |
| Flying Checkpoints         | 14        | _          | 14    | Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 3 in Tulkarem       |
| Closure (per District)     | 9         | _          | 9     | Incl. Al 'Arrub refugee camp, Hebron      |
| Closure of Main Roads      | 23        | _          | 23    | Incl. in An Nabi Yunis area, Hebron       |
| Closure of Wall Gates      | (All)     | _          | (All) | Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate       |
| Closure of Crossing Points | _         | 3          | 3     | Incl. Rafah Crossing partially            |
| Medical Obstruction        | 1         | _          | 1     | 1 ambulance detained in Beit Jala         |
| Settlement Activity        | 2         | _          | 2     | 1 barbed wire fence erected, Salfit       |
| Provocation of Pal. Forces |           | 1          | 1     | Pal. security patrols denied access       |
| Pal. Security Measure      | 1         | _          | 1     | 1 illegal vehicle handed over             |
| Demonstration              | 1         | _          | 1     | Against harassment of farmers, Salfit     |
| TOTAL                      | 147       | 19         | 166   |   |

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# WEST BANK

| JERUSALEM                 | <ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and Beit Iksa checkpoints and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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, Beit Hanina, and around the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Hanina and demolished 2 houses, claiming that they were built without the required licenses.</li> <li>House Demolitions: The Israeli army demolished 2 houses in the town of Beit Hanina belonging to 2 unidentified civilians.</li> </ul> |
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| RAMALLAH<br>&<br>EL BIREH | <ul> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, and in the town of Beituniya.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kafr 'Ein and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 5 civilians.</li> <li>The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qibya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, searched 1 building, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>At 03:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>  |

|          | <ul> <li>(iii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Bil'in.</li> <li>Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara arrested 5 civilians:</li> <li>(i) Muthanna Marwan al Maloukh;</li> <li>(ii) Mohammed Zuheir Mohammed Ma'ali;</li> <li>(iii) Na'im Shaher 'Arar;</li> <li>(iv) Bassel Nash'at Hjeiji; and</li> <li>(v) 'Ata Jum'ah Salem.</li> <li>(vi) The Israeli army arrested Salah Mousa Hussein in the town of Beituniya.</li> </ul>  |
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| JENIN    | <ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades As Suweitat road southeast of the city of Jenin.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Raids/House Occupation: <ol> <li>At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya, occupied a number of houses, and converted them into military posts.</li> <li>At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 05:30.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Arrest: On 14 November 2005, the Israeli army arrested Mahmoud 'Odeh 'Isa, a university student, in the town of Az Zababida, in addition to those reported yesterday.</li> </ul>  |
| TULKAREM | <ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav along the Tulkarem-Nablus road, denying access to civilian vehicles in both directions.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads from the town of Bal'a to Dahiyat Iktaba, the town of Deir al Ghusun, and the village of Al 'Atara, as well as the road between the town of Kafr al Labad and the village of Al Hafasa.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of Bal'a and Deir al Ghusun and searched civilian vehicles.</li> <li>At 17:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town of Deir al Ghusun, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> |

## Raids: At 16:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of 'Anabta, set up a (i) checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 18:05, the Israeli army raided the towns of 'Anabta and Bal'a and (ii) the village of Far'un and searched 1 commercial shop in the town of Bal'a. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in the town of 'Anabta. The Israeli army also patrolled the area. At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Illar and arrested 1 (iii) female university student. (i) On 15 November 2005, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav arrested Firas Abdul Oader 'Ubeid. On 15 November 2005, Israeli troops positioned at Al Kafriyat (ii) checkpoint arrested 'Azeez Maysarah Tu'meh. The Israeli army arrested Amani Qassem 'Amer, a female university (iii) student, in the town of 'Illar. **Wall Gates:** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special (i) Israeli permits. (ii) 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 continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. **Flying Checkpoints:** (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. **QALQILIYA** At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of (ii) Ras 'Atiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid/Detention: At 20:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Hajja, forced owners of commercial shops to close their shops, and detained 4 civilians until 21:30. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on Al Kafriyat road arrested 'Azeez Tuhami. Palestinian Security Measure: At 13:30, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal vehicle, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district (i) of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the **NABLUS** 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: 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, with the exception of Huwwara checkpoint where civilians may exit the city of Nablus from 05:00 to 23:00 only, but entry is allowed around the clock.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus and searched civilian vehicles.
- Raid/Destruction of Property: At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, searched 2 buildings, damaged the door of 1 commercial shop, and withdrew at 02:35.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 11:30, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint detained Ilham Khaled Ma'rouf, a 16-year-old girl, claiming that she was not holding her ID card. Israeli troops released Ilham at a later time.
- <u>Land Confiscation</u>: The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/199/05 to confiscate 16.44 *dunums* (4.11 acres) of land belonging to the town of 'Aqraba for construction of a military point overlooking the settlement of Mekhora.

### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Oarawat Bani Hassan with an iron gate.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the towns of Jamma'in and Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village of Bruqin with dirt barricades.
- (v) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Rafat.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours, impeding civilian access.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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/Air Patrol: At 09:20, Israeli troops, dispatched from Israeli army helicopters, raided the area between the villages of 'Ammuriya and Khirbet Qeis, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:00.
- <u>Air Patrol</u>: From 19:00 until 20:00, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Salfit.

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## SALFIT

|           | <ul> <li>Settlement Activity: On 13 November 2005, the Israeli army began constructing a barbed wire fence along the Tans-Samaria Highway. The fence extends from Za'tara junction to the town of Jamma'in's junction.</li> <li>Demonstration: At 08:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the city of Salfit and marched through the villages of Iskaka and Yasuf towards the Israeli army checkpoint on Za'tara junction in protest against harassments of civilians harvesting crops by the Israeli army.</li> </ul>   |
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| JERICHO   | <ul> <li>Closure: 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.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoint: At 19:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids/Curfew: <ul> <li>(i) Beginning at 05:00 on 15 November 2005, the Israeli army remained positioned in the village of Al 'Auja and continued to impose curfew. The Israeli army also conducted a census of civilians residing in the village and withdrew at 13:00. At 23:10, the Israeli army raided the village again and imposed curfew. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.</li> <li>(ii) At 09:00, an Israeli army patrol raided a Bedouin residential compound in the area of Al Khan Al Ahmar and served summons to a number of Bedouins to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. Israeli troops also conducted a census of Bedouins and their property, including vehicles and tractors.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| BETHLEHEM | <ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the villages of Husan and Nahhalin with cement blocks.</li> </ol> </li> <li>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.</li> </ul>   |

- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of Kfar 'Etzion on Road # 60 connecting the districts of Bethlehem and Hebron and to impede civilian access.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala.
- Raid/Detention: At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and searched 5 houses near Suleiman Lagoons after detaining residents outside.

#### • Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army demolished 1 barracks belonging to Safi Ahmed Hmeid in the vicinity of the town of Tuqu'.
- (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army used explosives to destroy 2 civilian vehicles bearing Israeli-issued license plates on Road # 60 adjacent to the town of Al Khadr, ostensibly for suspecting them.
- <u>Medical Obstruction</u>: From 22:00 until 01:00, Israeli troops positioned at the DCO checkpoint in the city of Beit Jala detained 1 ambulance belonging to the Palestinian Civil Defence Department while it was travelling to transport an ill civilian from the village of Battir.
- <u>Settlement Activity</u>: At 09:15, the Israeli army closed Checkpoint # 300 set up near Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque (Rachel's Tomb) and that leads to the city of Jerusalem. Alternatively, the Israeli army opened a new crossing in the area of Al Caritas.

#### • 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp with an iron gate.

## • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Road # 60 that passes through the Gush 'Etzion settlement block on the road to the city of Hebron. The Israeli army also continues to force civilian vehicles travelling between the districts of Hebron and Bethlehem to take the eastern road that connects the town of Za'tara junction, located east of the city of Bethlehem, to the city of Hebron.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Road # 35 between the towns of Tarqumiya and Idhna, denying access to civilian vehicles.
- (iii) On 15 November 2005, the Israeli army closed with cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sa'ir and the area of An Nabi Yunis leading to the town of Halhul.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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'.

#### **HEBRON**

## • Raids/House Occupation/Detention:

- (i) At 02:00 on 15 November 2005, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested 5 civilians.
- (ii) At 13:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint near Palestine Polytechnic University in the area of Wadi al Hariya, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Ash Sheikh neighbourhood in the city of Hebron, occupied 1 house after detaining residents in 1 room, and converted it into a military post.
- (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Ash Shuyukh and arrested 2 civilians.
- (v) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 1 civilian.
- (vi) The Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir and searched a number of houses
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the city of Hebron:
- (i) Khaled Khalil al Khatib;
- (ii) Ramadan Mohammed al Khatib;
- (iii) Mustafa Mohammed Mkheimar;
- (iv) Ziyad Nimer al Qawasmi; and
- (v) Mu'tassem Faraj 'Ubeido.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Ash Shuyukh:

- (vi) Abdul Karim Hussein Halayqah; and
- (vii) Mahmoud 'Abed Rabbu Halayqah.
- (viii) The Israeli army arrested Amin Dardas in the town of Dura.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

|          | • <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only. |
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|          | • Attacks:   |
|          | (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army fired 3 tank shells from Point 56 on the  |
|          | Green Line towards the area of Abu Safiya southeast of the town of   |
|          | Beit Hanun.  |
| NORTHERN | (ii) At 18:50, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from Point 62 on the   |
| GAZA     | Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya. At   |
|          | 22:00, the Israeli army fired 1 more shell.  |
|          | (iii) At 19:00, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from Point 60 on the  |
|          | Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya.  |
|          | (iv) At 20:25, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from Point 54 on the   |
|          | Green Line towards the area of Abu Safiya southeast of the town of   |
|          | Beit Hanun. At 21:30, the Israeli army fired 1 more shell, at 23:25 2  |
|          | shells, and at 00:10 3 shells.   |

|                 | (v) At 21:25, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from Point 64 on the Green Line towards the area of Al Maqbara (the "cemetery") east of the town of Jabalya.  |  |  |
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| GAZA            | • Raid/Land Levelling: At 10:15, the Israeli army, including 1 armoured vehicle and 1 bulldozer, raided 50 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Point 83 on the Green Line east of Gaza city, levelled land, and withdrew at 10:35.  |  |  |
| CENTRAL<br>GAZA | <ul> <li>Raid/Land Levelling: At 09:30, the Israeli army, including 3 bulldozers, raided 70 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Point 112 on the Green Line east of Al Bureij refugee camp and levelled land.</li> <li>Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 16:15, the Israeli authorities announced (through the DCO) that the area located between Points 93 and 97 on the Green Line in Wadi Gaza will be isolated. Palestinians, including Palestinian National Security patrols, will not be allowed to approach this area of the Green Line it at a distance of 200 meters or closer. However, Palestinian National Security patrols may be allowed to access the area after prior coordination (through the DCO) only. Otherwise, the Israeli army will open fire towards any Palestinian present in the area.</li> </ul> |  |  |
| KHAN YUNIS      | <ul> <li>Attacks: <ol> <li>At 12:35, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 160 on the Green Line towards a number of civilians east of the area of Al Qarara.</li> <li>At 13:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 164 on the Green Line towards 1 mentally challenged civilian, claiming that he approached the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara at a distance of 100 meters.</li> </ol> </li></ul>   |  |  |
| RAFAH           | <ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>From 12:00 until 24:00, the Israeli army partially opened Rafah Crossing to arrivals from Egypt while allowing humanitarian cases only to depart.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |  |  |

# **GENERAL**

|         | West Bank: Israeli authorities renewed 4,365 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the number of workers allowed to access inside the Green Line is unknown. |  |  |
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|         | • Gaza Strip:   |  |  |
| WORK    | (i) Israeli authorities renewed 1,421 work permits for crossing the   |  |  |
| PERMITS | Green Line. However, only 238 workers (approximately 17% of   |  |  |
|         | those possessing work permits) were allowed to access areas inside  |  |  |
|         | the Green Line.   |  |  |
|         | (ii) Israeli authorities issued 133 permits for Gaza Strip workers to stay  |  |  |
|         | overnight inside the Green Line.  |  |  |