# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00, 20 November 2007 – 08:00, 21 November 2007

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	1		1	Civilian beaten in Tulkarem
Arrests	23		23	Incl. 10 in Qalqilya
Detentions	19		19	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	22		22	Incl. 7 in Hebron
Checkpoints	14		14	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	5		5	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem; 1 in Ramallah
Attacks	3	1	4	During 3 raids; 1 confrontation
Air Patrols	1	1	2	Combat helicopters; F16
Curfews	1		1	In Kfar Qaddoum village, Qalqilya
Demolition of Property	9		9	House furniture; 6 civilian vehicles
Wall construction	25		25	Continues in the West Bank
Closures	7		7	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Jenin
Closure of Main Roads	39		39	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem, 5 in Tulkarem
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Partial opening of 4 crossing points
Settler Violence	2		2	Settlers attack civilian houses in Qalqilya
Pal. Security Measures	1		1	Pal. Forces hand stolen vehicle to Israeli
Palestinian Attacks		4	4	Incl. 6 mortars fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	172	13	185	

DISTRICT	EVENT

#### WEST BANK

# ALL DISTRICTS

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.

# • <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (a) 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.
- (b) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (c) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.

#### • Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Rafat and Ramot checkpoints, as well as the checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba'
- Raids: The Israeli army raided the villages of Biddo and Qatannah, and arrested 2 civilians.
- Arrests: The 2 civilians arrested in the villages of Biddo and Qatannah are:
- (a) Murtada Ibrahim Shamasneh; and
- (b) Abdellah Saleh Hannaneh.

#### • Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-

#### **JERUSALEM**

	Jaba' road, the area of al-'Eizariya to al-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.
RAMALLAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>Flving checkpoints: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Burqa, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids:</li> <li>At 16:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Surda.</li> <li>At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Dibwan, arrested a military office from the Palestinian National Security Forces, detained 3 civilians and released them at a later time after investigating with them in Bet El settlement.</li> <li>At 02;10, the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh and opened fire indiscriminately.</li> <li>Arrests: The military officer arrested in the town of Deir Dibwan is Thaer Jodeh Adel.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Raba.</li> <li>At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Siris and opened fire indiscriminately during patrol.</li> <li>The Israeli army raided the area near the village of Aba and conducted military training.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
TOUBAS	<ul> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Tayaseer 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>Raids: <ol> <li>At 20:20, the Israeli army raided the areas of al-Ein and Khilet al-Sinan near the refugee camp of al-Far'a, and combed them, and then</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	withdrew at 02:30.		
	(ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of al-Far'a.		
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's plain; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). At 17:00, the Israeli army denied civilians between the age of 16 and 35 access through the 'Einav checkpoint.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Abboush and searched a number of houses.</li> <li>At 04:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and the refugee camp of Tulkarem, searched a number of buildings and civilian houses</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>and opened fire and fired sound bombs inside one of the house which resulted in the damage of house furniture. In addition, the Israeli army searched the Zakat (alms) Committee Center and damaged its contents. Furthermore, the Israeli army beat civilian Nasser Abu Zanat, and then withdrew at 07:00.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.</li> </ul>		
	• Closure of Roads:		
	<ul> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road that connects the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army closed the northern entrance to the town of 'Azzun</li> </ul>		
	with cement barricades.		
	(iii) At 08:00, the Israeli army closed the entrances to the road connecting the districts of Qalqilya and Nablus, and the entrances to the villages of Kfar Qaddoum, Hijjeh, and Imateen with dirt barricades.		
QALQILIYA	<ul> <li>Raids: Since November 19 at 23:45, the Israeli army has been raiding the village of Kfar Qaddoum, imposing curfew an searching civilian houses. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 10 civilians, including 3 military officers (2 police officers and 1 from the Palestinian National Security Forces). The Israeli army withdrew at 19:30.</li> <li>Arrests: The 10 civilians arrested in the village of Kfar Qaddoum are: <ul> <li>Military officer Ramez Ahmad Barham;</li> <li>Police officer Mutaz Abdel Mannan Jumah;</li> <li>Police officer Na'el Aladdin Jumah;</li> <li>Ahmad Omar Barham;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

Mueen Abdellatif Barham; (e) (f) Mohammad Aladdin Jumah; Jamal Abdellatif Jumah: (g) Mahmoud Abdel al-Rahim Ishtewi; (h) (i) Bassem Fathi Jumah: and Mohammad Abdallah Saleh. (i) **Settler Violence:** (i) At 17:15, a buynch of settlers attacked 3 civilian houses located between the villages of Imateen and al-Fundoq. The houses belong to civilians Mohammad Kamal Baliyyeh, Izzat Baliyyeh, and Jamal Balivveh. (ii) At 18:00, a bunch of settlers stoned civilian vehicles on Qalqilya-Nablus main road which resulted in the damage of 6 vehicles. Palestinian Security Measures: On November 20, the Palestinian forces handed over to the Israeli side through the military liaison a stolen civilian vehicle found in the city of Qalqilya. **Wall Gates:** (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. Wall Construction: Land leveling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the (i) junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al-(iii) Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to block the roads leading to the town of al-(iv) Jama'een with dirt barricades. **NABLUS** Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on (i) Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only. (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan. Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close (iii) the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing,

only allowing access to humanitarian cases.

#### **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to (i) the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current Intifada (Uprising). The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western (ii) entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik. **Checkpoints:** (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tarah checkpoints and to deny civilian access. At 13:10, the Israeli army closed Za'tarah checkpoint and opened it at 13:40. **SALFIT** (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the junction of the town of Za'tarah and impede traffic. Raids: At 19:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Bidya and arrested 4 civilians. Arrests: The 4 civilians arrested in the village of Bidya are: Fathi Mohammad Shawahneh; (a) Nu'man Hassan Ghanem: (b) Na'eem Hassan Ghanem; and (c) Ashraf sufyan Odeh. (d) Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ari'el. 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. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and **JERICHO** impede civilian access 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. Detentions: At 13:15, the Israeli army detained at al-'Auja checkpoint military officer Bassem Jodeh Abdel Razek, and released him after the intervention of the military liaison. **Closure:** (i) 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. **BETHLEHEM** (ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahour and

#### Bethlehem.

- 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.
- Flying Checkpoints: At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area of al-Nashash (southern entrance to eh city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:10.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.

#### **Closure:**

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to (ii) implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.

#### **Closure of Main Roads:**

#### **HEBRON**

- The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following (i) locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; 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 neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp.
- In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to (ii) prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling 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.
- At 13:00, the Israeli army closed the entrance to the town of Beit (iii) 'Ummar with an iron gate after clashes with civilians.

(i) On November 19, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 2 university students.

(ii)	At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'eer and arrested one
	civilian.

- (iii) At 10:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. The raid recurred at 15:50.during which the Israeli army set up a checkpoint. In addition, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron for the third time at 24:00 and patrolled it until 04:00.
- (iv) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of al-Fawwar and arrested 2 civilians.
- (v) The Israeli army raided the town of Surif and arrested one civilian.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) The 2 civilians arrested in the town of Dura are:
- (b) Ahmad Khaled al-Hroub; and
- (c) Imad Ismail Abu Hawash.
- (ii) The civilian arrested in the town of Sa'eer is Ziyad Mohammad al-Jabareen.
- (iii) The 2 civilians arrested in the refugee camp of al-Fawwar are:
- (a) Ya'coub Mahmoud Abu Hashhash; and
- (b) Anas Abdel Hameed al-Bayed.
- (iv) The civilian arrested in the town of Surif is Firas Saadi Ayed.
- Wall Construction: 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 al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li><u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).</li> <li><u>Palestinian Attacks</u>: At dawn two (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ol> <li>Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open to let in fuel.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Air Patrols: At 10:50, Israeli F16 conducted a mock raid over the city of Gaza.</li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul> <li>Palestinian Attacks:         <ol> <li>In the evening of November 20, two (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>At 06:00, armed individuals detonated a 30-kilos explosive when an Israeli military jeep was traveling along the Green Line near Kisofim Gate to the north-east of the area of al-Qarara. At once the Israeli army opened fire intensively towards Palestinian areas.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is partially open.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open to let in</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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