مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 15 October 2004 – 08:00 16 October 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	_	5	5	Incl. 1 elderly female civilian
Injuries	1	5	6	Incl. 1 child and 1 female civilian
Incursion		1	1	Withdrawal from N. Gaza at 18:35
Air Attack		1	1	1 missile from UAV
Attacks	5	5	10	7 during raids, 2 from mil. posts
Raids	16	3	19	Incl. searches for wanted civilians
Air Patrol		1	1	1 UAV
Arrests (per person)	9	1	10	Incl. 5 children and 1 Pal. officer
Detentions	5	1	6	Incl. in residential compounds
House Demolition	_	1	1	In Rafah refugee camp
Land Levelling		1	1	In the district of Northern Gaza
Destruction of Property	1	2	3	Sheikh Ajlin road and crops
Curfews	2		2	In Deir Ghassana and Beit Rima
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)		Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(6)	(Most)	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)		(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	2 partially open
Settler Violence	4		4	Obstructing farmers' movement
Provocation of Pal. Forces		1	1	Open fire towards 1 Pal. post
TOTAL	43	33	76	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	 Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank. The Israeli army has renewed the closure between the districts of the West Bank and the Green Line due to the Jewish holidays. 		

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army prohibited worshippers under the age of 60 from other districts from accessing Jerusalem to perform Friday prayers in Al Aqsa Mosque, forcing them to perform prayers near the gates to Al Aqsa Mosque compound and at Israeli army checkpoints at the entrances to the city. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend along the main road between Qalandiya checkpoint and Ar Ram, the area of Al Aqbat, north of the village of 'Anata, in the area between the villages of Jaba' and Hizma, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. Wall construction in the villages of Qatanna and Biddu remains suspended following an Israeli Supreme Court order. Raid: At 18:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Beit 'Anan, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Jameel Mohammed Salih in the village of Beit 'Anan.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the villages of Al Mughayyir and Deir Abu Mash'al with dirt barricades. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Raids/Curfew: Beginning at 21:15 on 14 October 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in the towns of Deir Ghassana and Beit Rima and continues

	to impose curfew. The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians, including 5
	children, and withdrew at 23:00.
	(ii) At 19:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah, searched 2 houses, and patrolled the area.
	Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in the town of Beit Rima:
	(i) Mohammed 'Ata Qassim Ar Rimawi, 14 years old;
	(ii) Mohammed Nidhal Qassim Ar Rimawi, 13 years old;
	(iii) Anwar Fakhri Ar Rimawi, 16 years old;
	(iv) Sami Saqr Taha, 15 years old;
	(v) Ahmed Najeh Mustafa, 16 years old; and
	(vi) Akram Abdul Mu'ti Ar Rimawi.
	• Settler Violence:
	(i) At 08:25, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Shilo
	assaulted civilians from the village of Al Mughayyir as they were
	harvesting olive crops and damaged olive trees and crops.
	(ii) Groups of Israeli settlers assaulted farmers in the villages of Beitillu
	and Al Mazra'a Al Qibliya as they were harvesting olive crops.
	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to the city with dirt barricades. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education,
JENIN	economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers from the village of Tura Al Gharbiya from accessing their land behind the Wall despite the fact that they possess the required 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. Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, opened
	indiscriminate fire, and patrolled the area until 04:00.
	• <u>Detention</u> : The Israeli army closed the iron gate set up east of the town of Tubas along the road to the Jordan Valley, detaining dozens of civilians at the gate.
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district,
TULKAREM	closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages,
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	granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to set up flying checkpoints, and placed dirt barricades, at the entrances to the city of Tulkarem and its towns, thereby preventing civilians from entering or exiting the city and forcing them to take rough detours. • Raids: (i) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs and patrolled several neighbourhoods until 04:00. (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Anabta, opened indiscriminate fire, and patrolled the area.
QALQILYA	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army prevented civilians from exiting the city and only allowed entry for the city's residents. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. The Israeli army closed the Wall gate south of the village of Mas Ha and prevented civilians from accessing their land. The Israeli army continues to close the tunnel under the Wall, which leads to the village of Habla.
NABLUS	 Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Raids: At 09:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Nablus and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer. At 20:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Kafr Qalil and patrolled the area. At 20:45, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Askar refugee camp and patrolled the area. The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and opened fire towards 1 house, injuring 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Shadi Wasfi Marmash, a Palestinian Police officer, in the city of Nablus.

	(ii) At 18:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Hussein Ali 'Odeh.
SALFIT	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Deir Ballut continues to prevent civilians from entering or exiting the village. Access is only permitted at specific times. Wall Construction: 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 villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut remains suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order. Flying Checkpoint: At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 08:00, and again at 04:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area.
JERICHO	• Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army continues to declare the city of Jericho a closed military zone and prevented all civilians from entering or exiting the city. However, the Israeli army allowed movement for civilians holding Jericho IDs, civilians arriving from, or leaving to, Jordan, humanitarian cases, and UN vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing. 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. Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was suspended for the weekend north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, and along the tunnel road (Gilo). Raids: At 10:30, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled several neighbourhoods at various times until 04:00. Settler Violence: Groups of Israeli settlers assaulted civilians and robbed their olive harvest as they were harvesting olive crops in the areas of Al Jab'a and Al Fureidis.

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- <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.
- Wall Construction: Land levelling for wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the towns of Idhna and Beit 'Awwa in the area between the villages of Khirbet Ba'er, north of the town of Beit 'Awwa, Khirbet Um Al 'Aqaf, south of the village of As Sikka, west of the town of Surif, and near the villages of Deir Al 'Asal and Beit Ar Rush.

• Raids:

- (i) At 12:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Kahil. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
- (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir, fired sound and tear gas grenades, and detained a number of civilians for an extended period of time.
- **<u>Detentions</u>**: The Israeli army detained several civilians on their way to perform Friday prayers in the Ibrahimi Mosque.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Sussia prevented civilians from accessing their land to harvest olive crops.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure</u>: Beit Hanun Crossing remains closed.
- <u>Incursion</u>: Beginning at 22:00 on 28 September 2004, the Israeli army continues its incursion in the areas north and east of the town of Jabalya and north of the town of Beit Lahiya, including the area of Abu Safiyyah, Al Qarya Al Badawiya, the area opposite the former building of the Israeli Civil Administration along Salah Ad Din road, and As Sikka Street east of the town of Jabalya. Israeli army tanks opened intensive fire and fired tank shells towards civilian crowds and civilian houses. The Israeli army also levelled vast areas of agricultural land and withdrew at 18:35.
- <u>Air Attack</u>: At 02:15, an Israeli army UAV fired 1 missile towards a civilian crowd on Abu Sharkh roundabout, west of the town of Jabalya, killing 3 civilians and critically injuring another civilian.

• Attacks:

- (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell towards the area surrounding Jabalya Youth Club, injuring 2 civilians, including 1 child.
- (ii) At 17:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses in Izbat Abed Rabbu in the town of Jabalya, killing 1 elderly female civilian inside her home.
- Raid: At 22:15, an Israeli army force raided the area opposite the Industrial Zone in the town of Beit Hanun and ordered several civilians to evacuate their homes.

	 Killings: The Israeli army killed Fatimah Mohammed Hussein, a 65-year-old female civilian, in Izbat Abed Rabbu in the town of Jabalya. The Israeli army killed 3 civilians west of the town of Jabalya: Amin Khalil Mas'oud; Raed Khalil Abu Seif; and Wael Mousa Salih. At 08:00, Mohammed Mansour Al 'Eileh died of injuries sustained a few days ago.
GAZA CITY	 Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed. Sheikh 'Ajlin coastal junction is closed. Al Muntar (Karni) crossing in closed. Raid: At 20:40, the Israeli army, including several tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory at Sheikh 'Ajlin junction, opened intensive fire towards 1 Palestinian National Security location, and levelled Sheikh 'Ajlin coastal road.
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) remains closed. Abu Holi road is closed. At 14:50, the Israeli army opened Salah Ad Din road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints, arrested 1 civilian, and closed the road again at 17:30. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Fadl Shahin Ali at Abu Holi checkpoint.
RAFAH	 Closure: Gaza International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open. Sufa Crossing is partially open for construction cargo only. Raid: At 17:50, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp, demolished 1 house, and withdrew at 19:30. House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house in Al Barazil neighbourhood belonging to Ali Ash Sha'er.

GENERAL

• <u>Israeli Measures Against Political Prisoners:</u>

(i) Israeli Prisons Service prevented the entry of Ramadan food products for political prisoners in Israeli prisons.

(ii) Political prisoners in Bir As Sabe' Prison suffer from harsh living conditions. Prisoners are subjected to medical negligence and are deprived from family visits. The Israeli prison administration also imposes fines on political prisoners, some of which amount to 30,000 NIS.

• Medical Negligence: Ar Ramleh Prison Administration continues to deprive political prisoners from receiving the necessary medical treatment. 81 prisoners are unable to walk, and are, therefore, using wheelchairs to move. Several other prisoners are severely ill. For example, Kamal As Sayegh suffers from a heart condition and Imad Daraghmeh, who was injured during arrest, suffers from severe pains and does not receive the necessary medical treatment.

POLITICAL PRISONERS