مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 15 October 2005 – 08:00 16 October 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian severely beaten in Ramallah
Injuries	5	_	5	2 in Jerusalem and 3 in Ramallah
Attacks	3	2	5	3 in raids & 2 from military posts
Raids	23	3	26	Incl. 8 in Ramallah & 3 in Rafah
Air Patrol		1	1	Helicopters over Khan Yunis district
Arrests	3	_	3	1 in Jenin and 2 in Nablus
Detentions	11	_	11	Incl. 1 child in Salfit
Wall Construction	24	_	24	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Beth., Salfit, Qalq.
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Vehicle windshields broken
Land Confiscation	1	_	1	61.6 dunums of land in Tulkarem
Attack on Property	1	_	1	1 notice to halt house construction
House Occupation	1	_	1	Near Kiryat Arba' in Hebron
Curfew	1	_	1	Over the town Beit Rima in Ramallah
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	Access restricted to permit holders
Flying Checkpoints	14	_	14	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 4 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	4	_	4	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	*	_	_	*Incl. the Tulkarem-Nablus road
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Incl. Rafah Crossing closed
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Civilian houses and vehicles stoned
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	Position near Al Muqata'a in Hebron
Palestinian Attack	1	_	1	Fire opened towards 1 setter vehicle
Pal. Security Measure	1	_	1	1 soldier and jeep handed over
TOTAL	97	11	108	

• The Israeli army began easing the closure imposed on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts since 24 September 2005. The Israeli army partially opened Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing to humanitarian cases and VIPs only and Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing for the entry of goods. Additionally, the Israeli army allowed civilians above the age of 45 to enter the city of	DISTRICT		EVENT
Jerusalem to perform prayers in Al Agsa Mosque.			Gaza Strip districts since 24 September 2005. The Israeli army partially opened Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing to humanitarian cases and VIPs only and Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing for the entry of goods. Additionally, the

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JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya checkpoint and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Isawiya and fired rubbercoated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards civilians, injuring 2 civilians.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Kafr 'Ein and An Nabi Salih and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:30. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Rantis and Shuqba, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Curfew/Physical Assault: Beginning at 03:00 on 15 October 2005, the Israeli army remained positioned in the village of Beit Rima and imposed curfew. At 09:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	 (ii) At 11:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the villages of Kafr 'Ein, Qarawat Bani Zeid, and An Nabi Salih and patrolled the area until 12:40. (iii) At 15:50, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Beit Liqya and opened fire towards civilians, injuring 3 civilians. The Israeli army also searched 1 house, severely beat 1 civilian, and withdrew at 07:00. (iv) At 21:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Rima and the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 22:30. (v) At 22:40, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Beit Sira and searched 2 houses.
JENIN	 Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Tubas and the village of 'Aqqaba and searched civilians and vehicles until 24:00. Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 02:30. Arrest: On 14 October 2005, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up in the area between the town of Az Zababida and the village of 'Aqqaba arrested Yihya Hussein Nayef.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav along the Tulkarem-Nablus road, preventing civilians from crossing in both directions. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Raid: At 23:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of 'Anabta and opened indiscriminate fire while patrolling the area. Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/68/05 to extend and amend a previously-issued decision to confiscate 61.6 dunums (15.4 acres) to construct a military zone around the settlement of 'Einav.
QALQILIYA	 Wall Gates: (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special 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 was resumed in the village of Immatin and in the area east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.

Flying Checkpoints: At 18:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Jarushiya (i) junction and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:00, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints at the eastern (ii) entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and at the entrances to the town of 'Azzun and the village of 'Izbat at Tabib, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Attack on Property: The Israeli army delivered a notice to halt construction of 1 house belonging to Ahmed Abdul Kareem ash Sheikh in the village of Jinsafut for an unidentified reason. **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of (ii) Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the vicinity of the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqi on the Nablus-Ramallah main road, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. **Raids:** At 11:35, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Zawata, set up a (i) checkpoint at its entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:30, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided and patrolled (ii) 'Askar refugee camp until 20:50. **NABLUS** (iii) At 07:35, the Israeli army, including 11 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr Qalil, prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 civilians. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Kafr Qalil: Majdi 'Amer; and (i) Wajdi Abu as Seir. (ii) Settler Violence: At 21:20, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Itamar threw stones and Molotov cocktails at 2 civilian houses and broke the windshields of several vehicles in the town of Beit Furik. Palestinian Attack: At 21:00, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli settler vehicle travelling along the settler bypass road east of the city of Nablus, injuring 1 Israeli settler. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the main northwestern entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising). **SALFIT Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight (i) and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement.

	 (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan with an iron gate. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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 villages of Marda and Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. • Flying Checkpoint: At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:00. • Raid/Detention: At 21:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Marda, detained 1 child, interrogated him at 22:30, and then released him.
JERICHO	 Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their agricultural land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for holders of Jerusalem and Jericho ID cards. Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and impeded civilian access. At 11:10, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and impeded civilian access in both directions. Flving Checkpoint: At 02:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: 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. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala. Raids: At 10:40, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and the village of Dar Salah. At 15:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Ayda refugee camp. At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem.
HEBRON	• <u>Closure</u> : 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.

- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed 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'.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint/Detention</u>: At 14:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Sinjir between the city of Hebron and the town of Yatta, searched civilian vehicles, and detained a number of civilians.
- Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:
- (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint near Hebron University, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the city again and took position in front of Al Muqata'a.
- (ii) An Israeli army patrol raided the town of Dura and patrolled the area.
- <u>House Occupation</u>: The Israeli army occupied 1 house belonging to Dawoud Rateb Jaber near the settlement of Kiryat Arba' in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post.
- <u>Palestinian Security Measure</u>: At 11:00, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 Israeli Border Guard, along with 1 jeep, after he mistakenly entered the town of Bani Na'im.

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NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only. Attack: At 10:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 7 on the Green Line towards a number of civilians, claiming that they approached the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Nahal 'Oz Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	 Attack: At 19:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 145 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara. Air Patrol: At 22:15, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the areas east of Al Qarara and Khuza'a in eastern Khan Yunis district.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing closed. Raids: At 08:55, an Israeli army armoured vehicle raided 20 meters into Palestinian territory in the area of Ad Dihniya near Karem Shalom gate east of the city of Rafah.

(ii)	At 10:30, the Israeli army, including 1 armoured vehicle and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory opposite Point 234 on the Green Line in the area of Ad Dihniya east of the city of Rafah. At 11:00, the Israeli army, including 1 armoured vehicle and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory opposite Point 213 on the Green
	Line south of Sufa Crossing east of the city of Rafah.

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POLITICAL PRISONERS	• Relocation of Political Prisoners to a New Section: Bir as Sabe' Prison Administration reopened Section # 4, after closing it several months ago, and relocated 80 political prisoners to it.		
WORK PERMITS	 West Bank: Israeli authorities cancelled previously-issued access permits for work inside the Green Line due to the complete closure imposed by the Israeli army on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts. Gaza Strip: Israeli authorities renewed 285 permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the closure imposed on all districts. Israeli authorities issued 135 permits for Gaza Strip workers to stay overnight inside the Green Line. 		