مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 17 October 2005 – 08:00 18 October 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2		2	Incl. family members severely beaten
Attacks	2	_	2	By Israeli settlers
Raids	21	_	21	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 8 in Ramallah
Arrests	7	_	7	Incl. 5 children
Detentions	8	_	8	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	Civilians' ID cards in Al 'Aqaba
Checkpoints	2	_	2	Incl. 'Awarta checkpoint closed
Flying Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 3 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	17	_	17	Incl. all entrances to Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	11	_	11	Incl. Road # 60 leading to Jerusalem
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. Rafah Crossing closed
Settler Violence	3	_	3	Incl. open fire towards 1 vehicle
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	Position near 1 Pal. Police station
Palestinian Attack	1	_	1	Open fire towards 1 military post
Pal. Security Measure	1	_	1	1 illegal vehicle handed over
TOTAL	85	5	90	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	 Beginning on 16 October 2005 in the evening, the Israeli army has reimposed a complete closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts and declared them closed military zones after armed Palestinian individuals opened fired towards a number of Israeli settlers near the settlement of Kfar 'Etzion. The Israeli army also prevented civilians and workers from accessing the city of Jerusalem or crossing the Green Line 		

WEST BANK

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 suspended for the Jewish holidays 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 neighbourhood of Wadi al Joz in the city of Jerusalem and arrested 2 children. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 children in the neighbourhood of Wadi al Joz in the city of Jerusalem: (i) Kamal Ali Sa'ideh, 16 years old; and
	al Joz in the city of Jerusalem:
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: At 13:20, the Israeli army closed the entrances to the town of Turmus' ayya and the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. The Israeli army closed the entrances to the villages of An Nabi Salih and Deir Nidham with dirt barricades. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish holidays 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 21:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to (i) the town of 'Atara and denied civilian access in both directions. At 21:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Ramallah-(ii) Bir Zeit main road, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Raids: At 18:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Mash'al and (i) arrested 1 civilian. At 19:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the villages of An Nabi Salih (ii) and Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area. (iii) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Rima. At 21:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (iv) village of Kafr 'Ein until 22:30. At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (v) village of Qarawat Bani Zeid. At 00:20, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (vi) cities of Ramallah and El Bireh. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Anas al Barghouthi in the village of Deir Abu Mash'al. **Settler Violence:** At 19:40, Israeli settlers opened fire towards 1 civilian vehicle near the (i) entrance to the town of Turmus'ayya on the Ramallah-Nablus main road. (ii) At 21:35, an Israeli guard in the settlement of Halamish opened fire towards a number of civilians attempting to remove a dirt barricade erected by the Israeli army at the entrance to the village of Deir Nidham. Palestinian Attack: At 19:30, armed Palestinian individuals driving a vehicle opened fire towards an Israeli army military post in the settlement of Halamish. Consequently, the Israeli army imposed a closure on Palestinian villages surrounding the settlement to search for the vehicle from which the Palestinian individuals opened fire. 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 **JENIN** special Israeli permits. Raid/Physical Assault/Confiscation of Property: The Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Aqaba east of the town of Tubas, searched a number of houses, severely beat a number of civilians, and confiscated their ID cards. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set **TULKAREM** 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 18:05, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Attil, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ihab Sa'id al 'Ajami in the town of 'Attil.
QALQILIYA	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. 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 suspended for the Jewish holidays in the village of Immatin and in the area east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flving Checkpoint: At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib on the Qalqiliya-Nablus road and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:00. 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).
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: 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 Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya. At 11:20, the Israeli army closed the road to the village of 'Aqraba. Checkpoints: At 11:20, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. The Israeli army closed 'Awarta commercial checkpoint and demanded prior coordination for the entry of goods and essential food supplies to the city of Nablus. Raids: At 21:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Al Maslakh (the "slaughterhouse") east of the city of Nablus. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Salim and Rujeib. Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: At 08:00, a group of Israeli settlers provoked civilians, damaged civilian vehicles, and performed prayers at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik.

Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to (i) the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising). The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of (ii) Qarawat Bani Hassan with an iron gate. At 16:00, the Israeli army closed the northern entrance to the town of (iii) Deir Istiya with dirt barricades. At 17:30, the Israeli army closed the entrances to the towns of (iv) Jamma'in and Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks. **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight (i) and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement. Beginning at 22:20 on 16 October 2005, the Israeli army has continued (ii) to close the Za'tara junction checkpoint and deny civilian access in both directions, thereby isolating the district of Nablus from the districts of **SALFIT** Salfit and Ramallah. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish holidays 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. **Raids:** (i) At 16:50, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Deir Istiya, set up a checkpoint in the town's centre, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area until 17:30. At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (ii) town of Brugin. The Israeli army raided the village of Mas'ha, searched 1 house, and (iii) arrested 3 children. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 children in the village of Mas'ha: Amir Taha Shalabi, 16 years old; (i) Amin Omar Shalabi, 14 years old; and (ii) Amin Nayef Shalabi, 17 years old. (iii) 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 **JERICHO** also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for holders of Jerusalem and Jericho ID cards.

<u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and

impeded civilian access.

	• Flying Checkpoint: At 20:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the intersection in the centre of the village of Al 'Auja 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. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, denying civilian access, except for a number of taxis. However, these taxis are forbidden from stopping along the main road. 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. The Israeli army closed the entrances to the villages of Husan and Nahhalin with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish holidays north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala. Raids: At 12:30, Israeli army patrols raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area at various times until 23:05. At 22:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Beit Ta'mir and patrolled the area.
HEBRON	 Closure: 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. The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the city of Hebron with checkpoints and dirt barricades. Closure of Main Roads: At 19:00, the Israeli army closed the roads to the city of Hebron and its towns and villages with dirt barricades (including Beit 'Einun, Al Fahs road, the area of An Nabi Yunis, Bani Na'im, Zif junction, Al Fawwar refugee camp, the towns of Tarqumiya and Idhna, and the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin and 'Arab al Fureijat). Civilians are also forced to cross the checkpoints set up by the Israeli army on foot, after which they take taxis to their final destinations. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish holidays 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 Checkpoints</u>: At 14:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the overpass to the town of Beit Kahil and at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
 <u>Physical Assault</u>: At 17:30, the Israeli army raided 1 house belonging to
- **Physical Assault:** At 17:30, the Israeli army raided 1 house belonging to Ahmed Rateb Abdul 'Aziz ad Dabouqi in Wadi an Nasara in the old city of Hebron and severely beat his family members.
- Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Detention:
- (i) At 12:30, an Israeli army armoured vehicle raided the town of Dura and took position near the town's Palestinian Police station until 13:00.
- (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Al Hawouz ath Thani, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained a number of civilians.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed.
GAZA	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed.