# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 20 October 2005 – 08:00 21 October 2005

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	_	1	1 child in Husan village in Bethlehem
Attacks	2	2	4	Incl. 1 in a raid & 2 from mil. Posts
Raids	19	_	19	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 6 in Hebron
Arrests	9	_	9	Incl. 4 children
Detentions	16	_	16	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Wall Construction	25	_	25	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Beth., Salfit, Qalq.
House Occupations	3	_	3	Incl. in Dura and Wadi al Khannis
Curfew	1	_	1	Over Husan village in Bethlehem
Checkpoints	4	_	4	Incl. Za'tara checkpoint closed
Flying Checkpoints	13	_	13	Incl. 3 in Jericho & 6 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	19	_	19	Incl. Deir Nidham and An Nabi Salih
Closure of Main Roads	10	_	10	Incl. Road # 60 leading to Jerusalem
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points	<del></del>	4	4	Incl. Rafah Crossing closed
Settlement Activity	1	_	1	Land levelled to construct a sec. wall
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Raid on Um Lasafa village attempted
TOTAL	124	6	130	

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	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and to set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Israeli troops positioned at checkpoints also prevented hundreds of civilians from accessing the city of Jerusalem to perform prayers in Al Aqsa Mosque.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya checkpoint 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> </ul>
	<ul> <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, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, Beit Hanina, and around the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the town of Turmus'ayya and the villages of Sinjil, An Nabi Salih, and Deir Nidham with dirt barricades, thereby causing a severe shortage of food supplies in the village of Deir Nidham.</li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the 'Atara overpass checkpoint and deny civilian access in both directions, only allowing taxis and buses to cross.</li> <li>The Israeli army closed the iron gate set up on the junction to the settlement of Halamish, denying access to civilians from the district of Salfit.</li> <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> </ol> </li> </ul>

## **Flying Checkpoints:** At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Ramallah-(i) Bir Zeit main road, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area (ii) between the town of Silwad and the village of 'Ein Yabrud, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Raids: (i) At 01:00 on 20 October 2005, the Israeli army raided the village of Kharbatha Bani Harith, searched 1 house belonging to Fadi Injas, a Palestinian National Security officer, and served a summons to his family demanding that Injas report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. At 23:40, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (ii) village of Kafr 'Ein. (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Sira and searched 2 At 02:15, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (iv) city of El Bireh. At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Bir (v) Zeit, arrested 1 civilian, and patrolled the area. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed al Kharroubi in the town of Bir Zeit. 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. Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the town of Jaba', searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians, including 1 child. At **JENIN** 03:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Jaba': Bashar Ahmed Kan'an, 17 years old; (i) (ii) Sharif Fadhl 'Alawneh; Fadi Naji Khleiliyyeh; and (iii) Ihab Zaher Malaysheh. (iv) 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. **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set TULKAREM up in the area between the villages of Ramin and Bizzariya and impeded civilian access. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

QALQILIYA	<ul> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and in the area east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:00.</li> <li>At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilian vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya.</li> <li>Checkpoint: At 10:20, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint and denied civilian access, after arresting 1 child claiming that he was in possession of a mortar and a knife. At 11:00, the checkpoint was reopened.</li> <li>Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus until 03:50.</li> <li>Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested 14-year-old Sa'id Hasan Sawaftah.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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 <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan with an iron gate.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Deir Istiya with dirt barricades.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the towns of Jamma'in and Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks.</li> <li>The Israeli army closed the Trans-Samaria Highway and denied access to civilian vehicles, only allowing taxis to cross.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>(ii) Beginning on 16 October 2005, the Israeli army continues to close the Za'tara junction checkpoint and deny civilian access in both directions, only allowing taxis to cross.</li> <li>• Wall Construction: 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, the village of Marda, and in the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.</li> <li>• Raids: <ol> <li>(i) At 08:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Yasuf.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Marda.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
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>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>At 10:35, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho, searched civilians and vehicles travelling in both directions, impeding civilian access, and arrested 1 civilian travelling to the city of Jericho. In doing so, the Israeli army violated the protocol stipulating the transference of security responsibility over the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja to the Palestinian Authority and allowing the Israeli army to search civilian vehicles on a selective basis, without impeding civilian movement.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints:</li> <li>At 11:50, and again at 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. At 18:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and searched civilians and vehicles until 18:00.</li> <li>Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho arrested an unidentified civilian.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
BETHLEHEM	Closure:     (i) 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.

(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the villages of Husan and Nahhalin with cement blocks.

## • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, denying civilian access, except for a number of taxis which are allowed access but forbidden from stopping along the main road.
- (ii) 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the village of Husan, controlling civilian access to the villages of Husan, Battir, and Nahhalin.
- Attack: At 20:00, the Israeli army opened fire towards a number of children at the entrance to the village of Husan, claiming that they threw a Molotov cocktail at an Israeli army jeep, killing 1 child.
- <u>Killing</u>: The Israeli army killed Akram Tayseer Z'oul, 16 years old, at the entrance to the village of Husan.

#### • Raids/Curfew:

- (i) At 19:20, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the housing project area in the city of Beit Jala and Dahiyat ad Doha in the city of Bethlehem.
- (ii) At 19:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem.
- (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan while civilians were participating in a funeral procession of Akram Z'oul, a child killed by the Israeli army. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, after which the Israeli army imposed curfew over the village.

#### • 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 entrances to the city of Hebron with checkpoints and dirt barricades.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the towns of Tarqumiya and Idhna, Al Fawwar refugee camp, and the villages of Jab'a, 'Arab ar Ramadin, 'Arab Fureijat, and Khirbet as Simiya with dirt barricades.

### • Closure of Main Roads:

(i) Beginning on 17 October 2005, the Israeli army has 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, and the area of Sinjir). Civilians have been forced

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- to cross the checkpoints set up by the Israeli army on foot before taking taxis to their final destinations.
- (ii) The Israeli army has closed Road # 60 connecting the cities of Bethlehem and Hebron and denied access to civilian vehicles, only allowing taxis to cross.
- (iii) The Israeli army closed Road # 35 between the towns of Tarqumiya and Idhna, denying access to civilian vehicles.
- <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'.

## • Raids/Detentions/House Occupations:

- (i) At 10:00 on 19 October 2005, the Israeli army raided the town of Surif and arrested 2 children.
- (ii) At 08:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Bir al Mahjar, searched civilian vehicles, and detained a number of civilians. At 16:40, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up 2 checkpoints in the areas of Habayel ar Riyah and Al Hawouz ath Thani, searched civilian vehicles, and detained a number of civilians. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city for the third time, set up 3 checkpoints in the areas of Nimrah and Al Hawouz al Awwal and on 'Ein Sarah Street, searched civilian vehicles, and detained a number of civilians. The Israeli army also occupied 1 house in Dahiyat al Baladiya (the "Municipality neighbourhood") and converted it into a military post. At 23:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the area of Wadi al Khannis in the vicinity of the town of Sa'ir, arrested 1 house belonging to Abdul 'Aziz 'Ilyyan al Froukh, and converted it into a military post.
- (iv) At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 children in the town of Surif:
- (i) Mjahed Habes Ighneimat, 12 years old; and
- (ii) Saed Mahmoud Ighneimat, 15 years old.
- <u>Settlement Activity</u>: At 12:20, the Israeli army began levelling land to construct a security wall around the settlements of Kiryat Arba' and Harsina.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlements of Ma'on and Karmel southeast of the town of Yatta attempted to raid the village of Um Lasafa. The Israeli army prevented the settlers from accessing the village.

# **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only.</li> <li>Attack: At 13:10, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 70 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun, claiming that a civilian reached 40 meters near the Green Line.</li> </ul>
GAZA	Activities not reported.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Attack: At 19:15, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 200 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of Sufa Crossing.</li> </ul>

# **GENERAL**

	<ul> <li>West Bank: Israeli authorities cancelled all previously-issued access permits for work inside the Green Line due to the complete closure imposed by the Israeli army on the West Bank districts.</li> </ul>		
	• Gaza Strip:		
WORK	(i) Israeli authorities renewed 285 permits for workers to cross the		
PERMITS	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.  [6] Investigation of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the closure imposed on all districts.		
	(i) Israeli authorities issued 135 permits for Gaza Strip workers to stay overnight inside the Green Line.		