

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 January 2004 – 08:00 09 January 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassination	1	—	<b>1</b>	Pal. National Security officer
Attacks	1	3	<b>4</b>	
Raids	17	—	<b>17</b>	
Air Patrols	3	—	<b>3</b>	
Arrests (per person)	11	—	<b>11</b>	Incl. Pal. National Sec. officer
Detentions	3	—	<b>3</b>	
Destruction of Property	17	—	<b>17</b>	Incl. contents of 15 houses
Curfews	4	—	<b>4</b>	
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	4	—	<b>4</b>	
Closures (per District)	4	—	<b>4</b>	Incl. area south of Tulkarem
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	<b>Most</b>	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	—	<b>All</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	2	<b>2</b>	1 Partially open to workers
Demonstration	1	—	<b>1</b>	Against restriction in Kafr Ein
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>71</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The city of Jerusalem remains closed to residents from other districts. The Israeli police intensified its presence in neighborhoods in the old city, preventing Palestinian worshippers from reaching Al Aqsa Mosque compound for Friday prayers.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the separation wall continues in Al Shayyah, Abu Dis, Al Eizariya and Al Sawahira.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the western portion of the separation wall continues in Budrus and Rantis.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:55, an Israeli jeep raided the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>(ii) At 15:50, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>(iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army imposed curfew on the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>(iv) At 24:00, the Israeli army again raided the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>(v) The Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested Imad Salah Al Rifa'i, a Palestinian National Security officer and resident of the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>• <b>Demonstration:</b> At 17:30, a demonstration took place in the village of Kafr 'Ein in protest against arbitrary measures and severe restrictions imposed by the Israeli army. The Israeli army used force to disperse protestors.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction/Land Leveling:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army leveled agricultural land belonging to the village of Bardala for construction of the separation wall. The village was surrounded and enclosed by the Israeli army through the construction of military watchtowers and the dispatching of jeeps and police dogs in the area.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to dig a ditch along the Jordan River to the village of 'Ein Al Beida. The Israeli army destroyed 6 vendor stands</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>in the process of digging.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:00, Israeli Special Forces, traveling in a Palestinian green-plated vehicle and wearing civilian clothing, raided the city and assassinated a Palestinian National Security officer.</li> <li>(ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya, searched 2 houses and arrested 3 civilians.</li> <li>(iii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided Jenin refugee camp, imposed curfew on the refugee camp and on Wadi Bruqin, searched houses, occupied 1 house and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Assassination:</b> Israeli Special Forces assassinated As'ad Salih Khaliliyeh, a 31-year-old Palestinian National Security officer.</li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Qabatiya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Muhammad Amin Abu Wa'ar, 20 years old;</li> <li>(ii) Muhammad Omar Hanaysha, 21 years old; and</li> <li>(iii) Yazid Al Sagheer.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Entrances to the city in the north, south, northwest and west remain closed to vehicles, cutting Bethlehem off from its southern villages and from Jerusalem.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army sealed off the city completely, closing all entrances to the city. The closure is being enforced by jeep patrols and stationed troops.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the Enav iron gate and Al Kafriyat separation wall gate, separating Tulkarem from the districts of Nablus and Qalqiliya.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 19:10, and again at 20:15, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city and took position in the southern neighborhood and at the entrance of Tulkarem refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:55, and again at 22:10, Israeli APCs raided the city and took</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>position in the city center.</p> <p>(iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city and took position at the northern entrance of Tulkarem refugee camp.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Al Labad and opened fire, causing damage to civilian houses and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Air Patrol:</u></b> At 09:00, and again at 19:20, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft and F16s patrolled the skies over the city and its refugee camp at low latitude.</li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <p>(i) Nablus remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from leaving or entering the city.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army closed all exits leading to the village of Sarra and imposed curfew.</p> </li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints/Detentions:</u></b> <p>(i) Early this morning, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Beit Wazan and prevented civilians from reaching the city of Nablus.</p> <p>(ii) An Israeli army jeep located after the checkpoint at the junction of Sarra and the bypass road detained civilians, including women, children and elderly, for 2 hours. The bus they were traveling on from Nablus to Ramallah was raided by Israeli soldiers, after which 1 soldier forced civilians to applaud as he called out the name of each person on the bus while returning passenger IDs.</p> </li> <li>• <b><u>Detentions:</u></b> Israeli soldiers located at the Beit Furik checkpoint harassed civilians, forcing them to stand in the rain and to lift their shirts to expose their upper bodies.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Asira ash Shamaliya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Rubin Lutfi Qatuni, 26 years old; and</li> <li>(ii) Amjad Abu Aisha, 24 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar, searched 15 houses, destroyed the contents of most houses, and arrested 5 civilians.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in Beit Ummar, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Muhammad Isa Awad, 24 years old, college student;</li> <li>(ii) Adnan Yusif Awad, 27 years old; and</li> <li>(iii) Ali Iyad Awad, 38 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Separation Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and</li> </ul>

	<p>livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 19:30, the Israeli army took position at the eastern entrance (the only entrance to the city) for 2 hours, despite announcements several days ago regarding the removal of the checkpoint.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not yet reported.</li> </ul>

### GAZA STRIP

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Erez crossing is partially open to workers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 9,681 crossed the Green Line into Israel.</li> <li>(ii) 3,364 workers entered the Erez Industrial Area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>GAZA CITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Al Shuhada' junction remains closed.</li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 13:25, the Israeli army opened fire from its location east of the area of Maqbula towards the east of Al Bureij refugee camp.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Abu Holi road is partially opened.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:55, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 9 and 10 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:35, Israeli tanks located near Al Tuffah checkpoint fired 2 shells towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Sufa crossing remains partially open to merchants and workers.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>