

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 10 April 2006 – 08:00 11 April 2006

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	1	<b>1</b>	A 7-year-old female child, Beit Lahiya
Injuries	—	12	<b>12</b>	Incl. 1 female child in critical condition
Attacks	1	12	<b>13</b>	Incl. 197 artillery shells fired
Raids	27	—	<b>27</b>	Incl. 8 in Ramallah & 5 in Tulkarem
Air Patrol	1	—	<b>1</b>	Troops dispatched by helicopters, Jenin
Arrests	27	—	<b>27</b>	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Detentions	19	—	<b>19</b>	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Wall Construction	31	—	<b>31</b>	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	*	5	<b>5</b>	Incl. agricultural crops set on fire
Confiscation of Property	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 pistol from a civilian, Al Buqei'a
Land Confiscation	1	—	<b>1</b>	18.3 dunums in the district of Ramallah
Closure of Checkpoints	4	—	<b>4</b>	Incl. Ramot checkpoint in Jerusalem
Flying Checkpoints	21	—	<b>21</b>	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem & 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	1	<b>7</b>	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	29	—	<b>29</b>	Incl. entrance to Sinjil village, Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	<b>6</b>	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Medical Obstruction	1	—	<b>1</b>	Taking position in a hospital yard
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	4	<b>5</b>	Incl. shelling near Pal. security posts
Palestinian Attacks	—	12	<b>12</b>	33 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measure	—	1	<b>1</b>	1 unidentified mortar seized, Rafah
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>224</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALL DISTRICTS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts. The Israeli army has prevented civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line or into the city of Jerusalem, only allowing VIPs and humanitarian cases to cross after prior coordination.</li> </ul>
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### WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERUSALEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</li> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Road:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks.</li> <li>• <b>Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) On 04 April 2006, the Israeli army converted Qalandiya checkpoint into a crossing point, after having declared it a “border crossing point.” The Israeli army designated a special crossing for civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army has allowed other civilians to access the main road leading to the junction to the village of Jaba’, which branches off to other districts.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Beit Iksa checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close Ramot checkpoint, denying access to civilian vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> 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, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, and west of the village of Al Jib.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Road:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> 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, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of ‘Abud and the village of Beit Sira.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:40, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit main road and the other at the entrance to the village of Deir Abu Mash’al, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raids:</b></li> </ul> <p>(i) At 23:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Beit Rima and the village of Kafr 'Ein.</p> <p>(ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Ghassana until 01:00.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the Industrial Zone in the city of El Bireh until 02:15.</p> <p>(iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Beituniya, arrested 2 civilians, and withdrew at 02:30.</p> <p>(v) At 02:10, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the villages of Mazari' an Nubani and 'Arura, searched 1 house in the village of 'Arura, and patrolled the area until 03:30.</p> <p>(vi) The Israeli army raided the village of Shuqba and arrested 2 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beituniya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Mohammed Hasan ad Dahleh; and</li> <li>(ii) Muss'ab Fat'hi al Barari.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Land Confiscation:</b> The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/39/06 to confiscate 18.3 <i>dunums</i> (4.575 acres) of land belonging to the villages of Kharbatha al Misbah, Beit 'Ur at Tahta, and Beit Liqya for construction of a settler bypass road.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Road:</b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li>• <b>Checkpoint:</b> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and prevented civilians under 30 years of age from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b></li> </ul> <p>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of 'Arraba, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. At 16:00, the Israeli army set up another flying checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Tubas and the village of 'Aqqaba, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raids/Confiscation/Destruction of Property/Air Patrol:</b></li> </ul> <p>(i) At 01:00 on 10 April 2006, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Da'if, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Buqei'a east of the town of Tubas and arrested 1 civilian, after confiscating a pistol that was in his possession. The Israeli army also delivered a notice to the Village Council to demolish 2 rooms near the village's mosque, claiming that they were built in Area (C) without the required license.</p> <p>(iii) Israeli troops, dispatched by Israeli army combat helicopters, raided and combed the area of the solid waste dump south of the town of Tubas.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up near the town of 'Arraba arrested Munjed Lutfi Sadaqah.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Hasan Ali ash Sharafi in the village of Deir Abu Da'if.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Nawwaf Bsharat in the village of Al Buqei'a.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district.</li> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads connecting the following locales: the town of Bal'a and Dahiyat Iktaba; Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem and the town of Kafr al Labad; Dahiyat Dhinnaba and the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish; the town of Kafr al Labad and the village of Shufa; the towns of Deir al Ghusun and 'Attil; and the towns of Deir al Ghusun and Bal'a.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur with cement blocks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the eastern entrance to the city of Tulkarem ('Einav checkpoint) on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and denied civilian access, only allowing civilians holding Tulkarem-issued IDs to cross.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem (Jubara checkpoint) and to impede civilian access.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Illar and the village of Seida until 22:20.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Anabta and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp and opened indiscriminate fire while patrolling the area. At 00:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 02:30 on 10 April 2006, the Israeli army arrested Abdul Ghani Musleh during its raid on the city of Tulkarem.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Fat'hi Mar'i in the town of 'Anabta.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>QALQILIYA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Road:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of Jit and Immatin with dirt barricades.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u></b> At 04:00, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya, took position near the Palestinian Preventive Security headquarters, and arrested 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested Munther Tayseer Zeid, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, in the city of Qalqiliya.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NABLUS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(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. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus and connects the city to the district of Jenin.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik and to prevent civilian vehicles from crossing until they acquire access permits.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Detention:</u></b> At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, searched 3 buildings after detaining residents, and arrested 10 civilians. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:30, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Mahdi Mousa Fadhl.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>The Israeli army arrested 10 civilians in the city of Nablus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) Lu'ay Ahmed Hashem;</li> <li>(iii) Murad Ahmed Hashem;</li> <li>(iv) Ayman as Salhi;</li> <li>(v) Tawfeeq as Salhi;</li> <li>(vi) Tawfeeq Sa'dat;</li> <li>(vii) Ahmed Saleem as Sarrawi;</li> <li>(viii) Tamer at Titi;</li> <li>(ix) Ziyad Mas'oud adh Dhawwayeh;</li> <li>(x) Basem B'arah; and</li> <li>(xi) Mohammed 'Aabed.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 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>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda and the road connecting the town of Deir Istiya to the village of Haris.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours. The Israeli army also prevents civilians from crossing eastwards towards the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> 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, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint west of the town of Deir Istiya on Wadi Qana road connecting the districts of Salfit and Qalqiliya, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Ari'el on the Trans-Samaria Highway and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Detention:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Deir Istiya and detained 1 civilian until 19:20.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja continues to be closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army also prevents farmers not holding Jericho-issued IDs from reaching their land, forcing</li> </ul>

	<p>them to apply for access permits. In addition, the Israeli army impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for Jerusalem ID holders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Checkpoint:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jiftlik and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem.</li> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Checkpoint:</b> At 13:15, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the western entrance to the city of Beit Jala and impeded civilian access in both directions.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:45, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the city of Beit Sahur and the town of Za'tara and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tuqu' and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Raids/Detention:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the village again, set up another checkpoint, and detained a number of civilians. At 21:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>(iii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Ta'mir, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 20:50, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint arrested Mohammed Hasan Al 'Isawi.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ahmed al Wahsh in the village of Beit Ta'mir.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(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.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

- (ii) The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh.
- **Closure of Main Roads:**
    - (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul, the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron, the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron, and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin.
    - (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron with cement blocks.
  - **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif and Beit Ula, south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa', and southeast of the town of Yatta. The Israeli army has also completed construction of most sections of the Wall in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the town of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and in the village of Ar Ramadin.
  - **Flying Checkpoints:**
    - (i) At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Wadi al Hariya junction, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
    - (ii) At 20:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
    - (iii) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit 'Awwa and arrested 1 civilian.
    - (iv) At 00:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
  - **Raids/Medical Obstruction:**
    - (i) At 11:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, set up several checkpoints, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
    - (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Adh Dhahiriya, searched a number of houses, and arrested 3 individuals, including 1 Palestinian Police officer.
    - (iii) At 00:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, took position in the yard of *Al Ahli* Hospital, and patrolled the area.
  - **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 individuals in the town of Adh Dhahiriya:



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Iyad Kamel at Till, a Palestinian Police officer;</li> <li>(ii) Raed Ali al Khdeirat; and</li> <li>(iii) Suleiman 'Ata at Till.</li> <li>(iv) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit 'Awwa arrested Yousef 'Abdul Qader as Sweiti.</li> </ul>
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### GAZA STRIP

<b>ALL DISTRICTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
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<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements.</li> <li>• <b>Closure of Crossing Point:</b> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination.</li> <li>• <b>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Destruction of Property:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Between 09:00 and 20:50, the Israeli army fired 116 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near Palestinian National Security locations in the area surrounding the town of Beit Hanun as well as north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. Artillery shells also landed on 1 poultry farm in the area of Al 'Atatira, on the areas of Fad'us and Abu Hassira, near the American School, and on 3 civilian houses, including 1 house belonging to Mohammed Rabi' Ghaben north of the town of Beit Lahiya. As a result, 1 female child was killed and 12 civilians were injured, including 9 children. Among the injured civilians, the female child Safiyyeh Ghaben was in critical condition. In addition, Israeli naval boats fired 6 shells towards Palestinian territory near Palestinian National Security locations northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.</li> <li>(ii) Between 21:00 and 08:00, the Israeli army fired 65 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near Palestinian National Security locations north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Killing:</b> The Israeli army killed 7-year-old Hadeel Mohammed Ghaben north of the town of Beit Lahiya.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:35, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but landed near 1 civilian house on Palestinian territory.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:25, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar exploded in the area where it was launched.</li> <li>(iii) At 13:30, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>(iv) At 14:20, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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	<p>(v) At 01:00, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar exploded in the area where it was launched.</p> <p>(vi) At 01:10, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</p> <p>(vii) At 07:25, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</p>
<b>GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Crossing Point:</b> Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 19:05, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing.</li> <li>(ii) At 01:30, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line, but landed on Palestinian territory.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 22:25, 15 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attacks/Destruction of Property:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 18:35, Israeli naval boats opened fire towards the beach of the city of Khan Yunis.</li> <li>(ii) At 22:25, the Israeli army fired 16 artillery shells from Point 179 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory. The artillery shells landed on agricultural land east of the village of 'Abasan as Saghira, setting fire to crops.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 21:50, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Crossing Points:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(iv) Karem Shalom Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Security Measure:</b> At 13:55, Palestinian security forces seized 1 unidentified mortar after locating it in the area opposite Point 196 on the Green Line north of Sufa Crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 14:45, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>

## GENERAL

<b>WORK PERMITS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>West Bank:</b> Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli Authorities for crossing the Green Line total 5,416. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure.</li> <li>• <b>Gaza Strip:</b> Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli Authorities for crossing the Green Line total 4,837. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure.</li> </ul>
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