

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 02 December 2004 – 08:00 03 December 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassination	1	—	1	In the village of Raba
Injuries	2	3	5	Incl. 1 child and 1 elderly female
Attacks	4	7	11	Incl. 2 during raids & 7 from posts
Raids	18	1	19	Incl. the provocation of civilians
Arrests (per person)	14	6	20	Incl. 1 child, 10 students, 5 fishermen
Detention	1	—	1	1 child at a checkpoint
House Demolition	—	1	1	East of Ash Shuja'iyah neighbourhood
Wall Construction	19	—	19	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
Confiscation of Property	1	1	2	1 civilian vehicle and 1 fishing boat
Curfew	1	—	1	In the town of Huwwara
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Impeding civilian movement
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	Jenin & Nablus closed mil. zones
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(6)	(Most)	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	1	4	5	Incl. Al Karama (Allenby) Crossing
School Disruption	1	—	1	2 schools in Huwwara due to curfew
Settler Violence	—	1	1	In Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	1	Open fire towards 1 Pal. security post
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	1 mortar towards Kfar Darom
Demonstration	1	—	1	In the town of Beit Ula
TOTAL	64	26	90	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, President of the Palestinian National Authority, and President of the State of Palestine (may he rest in peace). • National mourning for President Yasser Arafat continues to take place in all districts of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip and Palestinian flags continue to be flown at half mast. Official and national delegations continue to visit Al Muqata'a in the city of Ramallah to offer their condolences for the death of President Yasser Arafat and to place wreathes on his tomb.
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army also intensified measures at the checkpoints set up around the city of Jerusalem. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis and to prevent civilians from entering the city of Jerusalem. • Wall Construction: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. Wall construction was suspended along the main road between Qalandiya checkpoint and Ar Ram after the completion of 90% of the Wall infrastructure. Hundreds of <i>dunums</i> (1 <i>dunum</i> = 0.25 acres) in the villages of Al Jib, Bir Nabala, Al Judeira, Beit Hanina, and Qalandiya, which would be located behind the Wall, will be confiscated as soon as the Israeli authorities complete the construction of the Wall. (ii) Following an Israeli Supreme Court order, Israeli authorities issued an order to modify the route of the Wall in the area of Sur Bahir towards the east. The order stipulated the confiscation of 120 <i>dunums</i> (30 acres) of land for the new Wall route.
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Mughayyir with dirt barricades. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. • Raids/Confiscation of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled the area. (ii) At 12:35, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Beituniya. At 13:20, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area. (iii) At 13:20, Israeli Special Forces, driving a civilian vehicle and disguised as maintenance workers from the Electricity Company, raided the Industrial Zone in Ramallah. When they were exposed, Israeli troops opened indiscriminate fire in order to facilitate their withdrawal. (iv) At 15:20, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the village of Beit Liqya and patrolled the area. (v) At 23:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh. At 01:05, the Israeli army raided the city again and confiscated a FIAT (UNO) civilian vehicle. (vi) At 24:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the village of Jilijliya and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Firas Younis, a Palestinian Police officer, in the village of Jilijliya.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army continues to declare the city of Jenin a closed military zone. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction has reached its final stages in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • Raid: Israeli Special Forces, supported by a number of jeeps, raided the village of Raba, raided 1 house, and extra-judicially killed 1 civilian after arresting him and leading him to the yard of a neighbouring house. At 07:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Assassination: The Israeli army extra-judicially killed Mahmoud Abdul Rahman Hammad in the village of Raba.

<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. (ii) The Israeli army closed 'Einav gate between the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to set up flying checkpoints, and placed dirt barricades, at the entrances to the city of Tulkarem, thereby preventing civilians from entering or exiting the city and forcing them to take rough detours, except along Ash Sha'rawiya road. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:20 on 02 December 2004, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, raided student halls of residence from Khadhour College, and arrested 10 students. At 08:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 08:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Far'un and patrolled the area. (iii) At 20:10, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem and Nur Shams refugee camps. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in Nur Shams refugee camp. At 22:55, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 10 students in the city of Tulkarem: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Hamdan; (ii) Khalid Ghanim; (iii) Thamer Khalif; (iv) Ayman Salih; (v) Ahmed Ghawadreh; (vi) Abdul Karim Shreiteh; (vii) Hamzeh Yousef; (viii) Hazem Zahran; (ix) Hammad Daqqah; and (x) Ahmed Daqqah.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army continues to declare the city of Nablus a closed military zone. • Raids/School Disruption: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and arrested 1 child. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Huwwara and imposed curfew, thereby disrupting classes in 2 schools serving 958 students. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 17-year-old Khalid Omar Hassanein in the city of Nablus.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Yasuf with dirt barricades. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around the settlement of Ariel) and in the villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut, remains suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order. • Flying Checkpoints: At 08:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Trans-Samaria Highway, near the entrance to the village of Marda, and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:00. • Raid: At 15:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army prevented civilians from entering the city, except those holding Jericho IDs. The Israeli army also continues to prevent Israeli ID card holders from entering the city of Jericho. • Closure of Crossing Point: On 02 December 2004, the Israeli army closed Al Karama (Allenby) Crossing and reopened it at 12:00.

BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, and along the tunnel road (Gilo). • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Khadr-Bethlehem road and detained 1 child for an extended period of time before releasing him. • Raid: At 17:30, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Bethlehem and served summons to 1 civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence in the settlement of Kfar Etzion. The Israeli army also patrolled the area until it withdrew at 23:00.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna, and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit towards Beit 'Awwa, Sikkat Al Majd, Deir Al 'Asal Al Foqa, Deir Al 'Asal At Tahta, Beit Ar Rush Al Foqa, Beit Ar Rush At Tahta, Beit Mirsim, Al Bireh, and towards the village of Al Burj. • Demonstration: At 10:30, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in the village of Beit Ula in protest against land levelling for Wall construction west of the town. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians and arrested 2 others. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beit Ula: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Iyad Mohammed 'Adarbeh; and (ii) Jihad Mohammed Al 'Amleh.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to merchants and for humanitarian cases only.
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<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA CITY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:35, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell towards civilian houses in the area of Juhor Ad Dik, injuring 1 civilian. (ii) At 05:05, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 74 on the Green Line towards 1 Palestinian National Security location east of Gaza city. (iii) At 07:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Nitsareem towards Az Zahra towers south of Gaza city. • Raid: At 02:45, an Israeli army infantry force raided Palestinian territory east of Ash Shuja'iyah neighbourhood, demolished 1 house, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 04:45. • Arrests: At 10:00, the Israeli navy arrested 5 fishermen on high seas and detained their fishing boat: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Shafiq Raghil Bakr; (ii) Mohammed Subhi Bakr; (iii) Raghil Faris Bakr; (iv) 'Attaf 'Ahed Bakr; and (v) Raed Abdul Fattah Bakr. (vi) The Israeli army arrested Kayed Mohammed Rabay'ah east of Ash Shuja'yyah neighbourhood. • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house east of Ash Shuja'iyah neighbourhood belonging to Mu'taz Ash Shawwa.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 17:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Kfar Darom towards the area south of the city of Deir Al Balah. • Palestinian Attack: At 18:00, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open to pedestrians only. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. • Attack: At 16:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Neve Dekalim towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • Settler Violence: At 11:35, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Neve Dekalim assaulted a number of civilians in the area of Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis. Confrontations took place between the Israeli settlers and civilians.

RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open to pedestrians only. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:35, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the military post in Tall Zu'rub towards civilian houses in Rafah refugee camp, injuring 8-year-old Khalil Breikah. (ii) At 17:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the area surrounding Rafah Crossing towards civilians, injuring Fat'hiyyah Al Akhras, a 52-year-old female.
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