

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 8 December 2003 – 08:00 9 December 2003

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 Prisoner
Injuries	—	1	<b>1</b>	1 12 Year-old girl
Physical Assault	2	—	<b>2</b>	
Attacks	4	5	<b>9</b>	
Raids	24	—	<b>24</b>	
Air Patrols	4	—	<b>4</b>	
Arrests (per person)	20	—	<b>20</b>	Incl. 2 Youth
Detentions	4	—	<b>4</b>	Incl. students, journalists
Destruction of Property	2	—	<b>2</b>	
House Occupation	1	—	<b>1</b>	For 3 <sup>rd</sup> day
House Closure	1	—	<b>1</b>	House of prisoner
Curfews	6	—	<b>6</b>	
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	Incl. Deir Ballut
Flying Checkpoints	8	—	<b>8</b>	
Closures (per District)	3	—	<b>3</b>	Incl. 1 area
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	—	3	<b>3</b>	2 Partially open for workers
Destruction Religious Site	2	—	<b>2</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>91</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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## WEST BANK

<p><b>JERUSALEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure</u>: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to civilians from other districts, preventing them from reaching holy sites in Jerusalem.</li> <li>• <u>Separation Wall</u>: Israeli authorities continue construction of the separation wall in Abu Dis, Al Sawahira, Al Eizariya, Al Tur and Al Shayyah.</li> <li>• <u>House Closure</u>: The Israeli army closed off the house of Ahmad Sa'da, a prisoner, as a form of collective punishment.</li> <li>• <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 5 residents of Jerusalem city.</li> </ul>
<p><b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road between Khirbet Qeis and Mazari' an Nubani before withdrawing at 21:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road between 'Ajjul and 'Arura, where they opened heavy fire and fired sound bombs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army raided the village of Budrus, where they opened random fire and arrested 2 youth, after confrontations with residents who tried to block Israeli bulldozers used for construction of the separation wall.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Kharbatha al Misbah, where they arrested civilians.</li> <li>(iii) At 09:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein. Similar raids took place at 11:25 and 16:45, which included open fire.</li> <li>(iv) At 11:50, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the towns of Dier Ghassana and Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>(v) At 17:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the villages of Kafr 'Ein and Qarawat Bani Zeid.</li> <li>(vi) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ghassana.</li> <li>(vii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the towns of Deir Ghassana and Beit Rima.</li> <li>(viii) At 22:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the towns of Deir Ghassana and Beit Rima, as well as the village of Kafr 'Ein before withdrawing at 00:30.</li> <li>(ix) The Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh and "Al 'Ein" Mosque located in El Bireh city.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(x) The Israeli army raided the village of Beit Liqya, where they searched several houses and a mosque.</p>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army closed the town of Tubas and set up several flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town.</li> <li>• <u>Separation Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through gates especially in areas located behind the separation wall.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activity not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closures</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the southern entrance (Al Nashash), the Bethlehem/Hebron road.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the northern entrance to Beit Jala, while the road of Al Kahadr al Qadima is closed to vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided Ayda refugee camp (located in the city of Bethlehem inside Palestinian territory), where they used explosives to break into one house and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Ammar Mustafa Abu Akir, an 18 year old.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Separation Wall Gates</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through gates especially in areas located behind the separation wall.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army at the separation wall gate leading to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya prevented trucks transferring vegetables and fruits from leaving the gate to sell their products in the market on grounds that the police dog that the Israeli army use to search the trucks is sleeping. The truck carrying the products was forced to wait for several hours, which resulted in the rotting of a large amount of the products, causing even greater financial loss to the farmers.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 18:00, the Israeli army, including jeeps and APC's, raided Tulkarem refugee camp, where they searched a house and arrested 1</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>civilian.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Seida, where they searched several houses forcing the residents outside in the cold until withdrawing 2.5 hours later.</li> <li>(iii) Since early morning Israeli jeeps have patrolled the city of Tulkarem and the neighborhoods of Dahiyat Shuweika and Dhinnaba and the village of Far'un.</li> <li>• <u>Air Patrol</u>: At 13:15, Israeli reconnaissance helicopters patrolled over the city until 17:45.</li> <li>• <u>Attack</u>: At 11:00, the Israeli army opened fire at a yellow plated vehicle traveling on the road between Kafr al Labad and Shufa, injuring the passengers who possess Israeli ID's.</li> <li>• <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested Abdullah 'Anbas, a 25 year old civilian.</li> </ul>
<p><b>NABLUS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closures</u>: The Israeli army closed off the village of Sarra with dirt barricades and barbed wire from all sides.</li> <li>• <u>Physical Assault</u>: While in the village of Sarra, Israeli soldiers severely beat 2 civilians after detaining them: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Salih Al Turabi; and his brother,</li> <li>(ii) Naem Al Turabi.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and withdrew at 05:00.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp and arrested 2 brothers.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Death</u>: Bashir Oweis, a 27 year-old refugee from Balata refugee camp died due to a blow on the head in the Israeli prison of Majido.</li> <li>• <u>Arrests</u>: <p>At 18:00, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians at the checkpoint of Huwwara, both from the village of Osarin:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Imad Salim Khatir; and</li> <li>(ii) Arif Muhammad Adili.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian from the village of Beit Dajan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iii) Kamal Fahmi Abu Jeish.</li> </ul> <p>At 02:30, the Israeli army arrested 1 civilian from the town of Asira ash Shamaliya while he was visiting the village of Al Labad:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iv) Fadi Tahir Kassab.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 brothers from Balata refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(v) Bashir Abu Dira'; and his brother,</li> <li>(vi) Yusif Abu Dira'.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>House Occupation</u>: For the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive day, the Israeli army continues to occupy the house of Sadiq Nasif located in the city of Nablus.</li> </ul>

<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activity not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure</u>: The city was declared a closed military area from 08:30 until 16:00.</li> <li>• <u>Separation Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through gates especially in areas located behind the separation wall.</li> <li>• <u>Curfews</u>:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army imposed curfew over the town of ‘Azzun.</li> <li>(ii) At 09:30, the Israeli army imposed curfew over the village of ‘Azzun ‘Atma and closed the gate leading to the village. Israeli helicopters patrolled over the area.</li> <li>(iii) At 14:50, the Israeli army imposed curfew over the town of Habla and raided and broke into several houses, the municipality and a medical clinic. The Israeli army also detained female students and all employees near the town mosque and arrested 4 civilians including brothers.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested several civilians, including two brothers:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abdul Kadir Kharoub, 57 years old; and</li> <li>(ii) Sami Kharoub, 22 years old.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <u>Detention</u>: At 12:40, the Israeli army detained 2 journalists residing in the city at the eastern DCO entrance for 6 hours.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure</u>: At 09:00, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint located on the main entrance to Deir Ballut.</li> <li>• <u>Air Patrol</u>: At 19:30 and again at 23:45, Israeli reconnaissance helicopters patrolled over the city.</li> <li>• <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:55, the Israeli army set up several flying checkpoints at the junction of Za’tara, the entrance to Yasuf, and the entrance to Kifl Haris, where they searched vehicles and examined passenger ID’s.</li> <li>(ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, set up 2 flying checkpoints along the main road of “Abira al Samira” near the electricity station.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <u>Curfews</u>:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army imposed curfew over the villages of Mas-ha and Al Zawiya.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army imposed curfew over the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:15, the Israeli army, supported by 6 jeeps and helicopters, raided the town of Deir Ballut and imposed curfew over the area until 11:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the town of Bidya where it imposed curfew until 12:30.</li> <li>(iii) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided the villages of Kifl Haris and Zayta. The Israeli army withdrew at 18:00.</li> <li>(iv) At 20:15, the Israeli army including 3 jeeps raided the town of Kafr 'Ein, where they opened random fire and fired sound bombs before withdrawing at 23:00.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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### GAZA STRIP

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure:</u> The Erez crossing is partially open to workers. 11,526 workers were allowed across the Green Line. 3913 workers were allowed into the Erez industrial zone and 350 were allowed to apply for Israeli magnetic IDs.</li> <li>• <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:50, the Israeli army opened fire from their locations near Point 34 towards Beit Hanoun.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:10, the Israeli army opened fire from their locations near Point 38 towards Beit Hanoun.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>GAZA CITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure:</u> Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed.</li> <li>• <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:50, the Israeli army opened fire from their locations in the settlement of Nitsareem towards the southeast.</li> <li>(ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army opened fire from their locations in the settlement of Nitsareem and fired 2 tank shells towards the north.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activity not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu Ajin road and the western road remain closed.</li> <li>(ii) Abu Holi road is partially open.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Attacks:</u> At 16:15, the Israeli army opened fire towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighborhood injuring a child.</li> <li>• <u>Injury:</u> The Israeli army injured 12 year-old Fatima Khalaf Allah.</li> </ul>

<p><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Closures:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li><li>(ii) The Israeli army allowed 225 workers and 22 businessmen through the Sufa crossing.</li></ul></li></ul>
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