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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 December 2006 – 08:00 09 December 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	2	4	Incl. 1 child in critical condition
Attacks	8	3	11	Incl. 4 in raids & 2 from military posts
Raids	26	—	26	Incl. 9 in Ramallah & 5 in Tulkarem
Arrests	6	—	6	Jerusalem (1), Ramallah (4), & Nablus (1)
Detentions	17	—	17	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Closure of Checkpoints	14	—	14	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	14	—	14	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 5 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	32	—	32	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem & 1 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Taking position near 1 Pal. security HQ
Palestinian Attacks	1	3	4	Incl. 5 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measure	—	1	1	1 mortar located east of Gaza city
Demonstration	1	—	1	In Bil'in against Wall construction
TOTAL	128	15	143	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
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<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians under 45 years of age from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque to perform Friday prayers. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Dahiyat al Bareed, 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, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna. • Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of Beit 'Anan, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Saher Sadeq Hussein in the village of Beit 'Anan.
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- **Closure of Main Roads:**
 - (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.
 - (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.
- **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.
- **Flying Checkpoints:** The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one in the area between the villages of Deir Ibzi' and Kafr Ni'ma and the other near the village of Ras Karkar, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raids/Attacks:**
 - (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided Al Jalazun refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 1 child.
 - (ii) At 16:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. At 00:45, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city again, opened fire, and fired sound grenades, while surrounding and searching a house. At 02:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
 - (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 18:30.
 - (iv) At 19:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Mazari' an Nubani and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area. At 20:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
 - (v) At 21:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the village of 'Arura.
 - (vi) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah. While searching a building and a number of commercial shops, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 02:00.
 - (vii) The Israeli army raided the village of Deir Jarir and arrested 1 civilian.
 - (viii) The Israeli army raided the village of Rantis, searched 1 house, and arrested the chairman of the village's council.
- **Arrests:**
 - (i) The Israeli army arrested 14-year-old 'Amer Riyadh in Al Jalazun refugee camp.
 - (ii) The Israeli army arrested Khaled Mohammed 'Aql in the city of Ramallah.
 - (iii) The Israeli army arrested Mu'tassem Abdul Hafeeth Mansour in the village of Deir Jarir.
 - (iv) The Israeli army arrested Shakir Yousef Abu Saleem in the village of Rantis.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstration: At 12:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the entrance to the town of 'Arraba and the other on the junction to the town of Az Zababida, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the southern entrance to the city of Jenin on the Jenin-Nablus main road and the other in the area of As Suweitat, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Wadi Birqin. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem). (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and denied access to civilians holding Jenin-issued IDs. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 09:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bal'a, searched civilian vehicles, and prevented civilians from accessing the city of Tulkarem until 09:40. • Raids/Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of 'Anabta and patrolled the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 19:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the towns of ‘Illar and ‘Attil. (iii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp. While patrolling the refugee camp, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire. The Israeli army also took position for a period of time near the offices of the Palestinian National Security Headquarters in the city. At 03:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILIYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • Raid: At 09:30, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. (ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only. (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the village of Till and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:20. (ii) At 14:05, the Israeli army raided the village of Talfit and arrested 1 civilian, while he was working on his land. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Zahi 'Odeh in the village of Talfit. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 14:00, armed Palestinian individuals detonated an explosive device near an Israeli army jeep, while it was travelling along the settler bypass road near the village of Zawata. Consequently, the Israeli army combed the area.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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. • <u>Raid:</u> At 16:20, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr ad Dik. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 17:25, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho IDs. • <u>Raid:</u> At 08:45, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and raided a park.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the “Container”) checkpoint and prevented civilian vehicles from crossing. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint only allow access to vehicles possessing permits as well as those whose drivers hold Bethlehem- and Hebron-issued IDs. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of ‘Ayda refugee camp, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal. • <u>Raids/Attack/Injuries:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:05, an Israeli army patrol raided ‘Ayda refugee camp. While patrolling the area, Israeli troops opened fire towards a house, injuring 2 children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Miras Nidhal al ‘Azzeh, 12 years old, who was in critical condition; and (ii) A 13-year-old female child. At 12:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 01:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Sahur and patrolled the area until 02:05.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada’ Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba’ to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: 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; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab’a; the entrance to the village of Beit ‘Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al ‘Arrub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street

	<p>that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. • Flying Checkpoints: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the overpass to the town of Halhul and the other on the junction to the village of Beit 'Einun, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army detained several civilians in the old city of Hebron, while they were going to perform Friday prayers at the Ibrahimi Mosque, registered civilians' names on lists, and held their ID cards. The Israeli army returned the ID cards after civilians performed prayers at the mosque. (ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army detained a number of civilians near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron. After coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), the Israeli army released the detained civilians.
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, armed Palestinian individuals fired 5 mortars towards the Green Line. In addition, the Israeli army as well as Israeli navy boats also opened fire on 3 occasions.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. • Attacks/Injuries: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 65 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the eastern cemetery east of the town of Jabalya. (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations on the Green Line towards a number of civilians northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring 2 civilians, including 1 child.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. • Palestinian Attacks: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 3 mortars towards the Green Line as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:35, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 01:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 13:30, Palestinian security forces located an unidentified mortar, which was set to be launched, at a distance of 500 metres from Points 70 and 71 on the Green Line east of Gaza city. Palestinian security forces requested (through the DCO) that the Israeli authorities coordinate to dispatch the Palestinian Engineering Unit to defuse the mortar.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 21:15, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 unidentified mortars towards the Green Line, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At 19:05, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the city of Rafah's beach, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.