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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 10 December 2010 – 08:00 11 December 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	4	4	8	Incl. 3 children
Attacks	5	10	15	Incl. 6 from posts and 2 by navy boats
Raids	15	1	16	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 5 in Nablus
Air Patrols	—	3	3	Incl. by F16 combat aircraft, N. Gaza
Arrests (per person)	15	—	15	Incl. a former Palestinian Minister
Detentions	16	—	16	Incl. a German journalist and an activist
Land Levelling	—	1	1	In Central Gaza
Wall Construction	15	—	15	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, and Salfit
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. access impeded a 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	22	—	22	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	42	—	42	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Beit Hanun Crossing partially open
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. civilian houses stoned in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	A checkpoint set up near a Pal. post
Palestinian Attacks	—	3	3	Incl. fired opened on Israeli patrols
Demonstrations	6	—	6	Incl. against settlement activity & Wall
TOTAL	159	28	187	

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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 10 December 2010, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city, set up many flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of the “demarcation area” along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city. Access would be restricted to residents of the area as well as to civilians holding permits through crossings and gates defined in the military order. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Ikksa villages. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba’. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Ikksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • Checkpoint: The Israeli authorities continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • Raid: At 18:30, the Israeli army raided Beit Duqqu village. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • Demonstrations: At 11:30, civilians performed Friday prayers in sit-in tents erected in Ash Sheikh Jarrah and Silwan neighbourhoods in Jerusalem city in protest against Israel’s policy of deportation and seizure of civilian homes for the benefit of Jewish settlement associations. Participants also protested against the eviction of civilian houses for construction of settlement projects in Jerusalem city. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Qalandiya village; in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu’fat refugee camp; south of Az Za’ayem village; in Wadi al ‘Eizariya; and east of Ma’ale Adumim settlement.
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- **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near An Nabi Salih village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raids:**
 - (i) At 17:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Turmus'ayya town.
 - (ii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Liqya town and Deir Ibzi' village.
 - (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Silwad town, searched a number of houses, and arrested four civilians.
- **Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries/Detentions:**
 - (i) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in An Nabi Salih village in protest against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for expansion of Halamish settlement. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which Israeli troops injured three civilians. A number of participants were also wounded as a result of tear gas inhalation. In addition, Israeli troops detained an Israeli peace activist.
 - (ii) At 12:40, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Ni'lin town in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. Israeli troops also arrested a civilian.
 - (iii) At 12:40, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in Bil'in village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a child sustained a bullet wound. In addition to three journalists, a number of participants were injured as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also detained a German journalist.
- **Arrests:** At 13:15, the Israeli army arrested three civilians near 'Ofra settlement, including:
 - (i) Fadi Mohammed Abdul Mahdi Al Masalmeh; and
 - (ii) Hamad Mohammed Hamad al Masalmeh.
 The Israeli army arrested four civilians in Silwad town:
 - (iii) Mohammed Tayseer Hamed;
 - (iv) Mujahed 'Aref Fuleih;
 - (v) 'Azzam Abdul Hamid Hamed; and
 - (vi) Samer Abdul Latif Hamed.
 - (vii) The Israeli army arrested Wahid Burnat in Ni'lin town.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.

JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of Dotan settlement. • Arrest: At 19:00, Israeli troops positioned at Barta’a checkpoint arrested Wasfi ‘Izzat Qabaha, a former Palestinian Minister. • Settler Violence: At 15:50, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the evacuated settlement of Homesh. At 16:45, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas. • Arrest: At 18:15, Israeli troops arrested Majed Mifdhi Msa’id, while he was tending sheep in Al Buqei’a area in the Northern Jordan Valley.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and ‘Izbat Shufa villages. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at ‘Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Ar Ras village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Jayyus town and Kafr Jammal village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 16:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Immatin and Al Funduq villages and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 20:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jit village. (ii) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hajja village. (iii) At 20:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Qaddum village. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron.</p> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <p>(i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 between 07:00 and 02:00.</p> <p>(ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.</p> <p>(iii) At 15:15, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the checkpoint set up near Shavei Shomron settlement on the Nablus-Jenin main road and impeded civilian access until 16:40.</p> • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Sarra village on the Nablus-Qalqiliya main road. At 16:40, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians until 16:55.</p> <p>(ii) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:50.</p> <p>(iii) At 23:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qusin village and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> • Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <p>(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided Beit Wazan village. At 15:30, and again at 23:30, the Israeli army raided the village again, set up a checkpoint near a Palestinian National Security post, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area until 00:05.</p>

	<p>(ii) At 00:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled ‘Awarta village.</p> <p>(iii) At 00:55, the Israeli army raided Qabalan village and patrolled the area until 01:30.</p>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. (iii) Beginning at 12:00 on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za’tara junction checkpoint. • Arrest: At 24:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Za’tara junction checkpoint arrested Mohammed Hani Dawoud, a resident of Hajja village in Qalqiliya district, ostensibly for locating a knife in his possession. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Imanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al ‘Auja village with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al ‘Auja village along Al-Mu’arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. • Arrests/Physical Assaults: At 12:25, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint severely beat and arrested two brothers, including a Palestinian National Security officer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hasan Suleiman Ju’eis, a Palestinian National Security officer; and (ii) Mahmoud Suleiman Ju’eis. (iii) At 17:30, Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested Haytham Abdul Hamid Abu Dawwas, a resident of Tubas city, while he was travelling to Jordan. • Detentions: At 20:30, Israeli troops positioned at Al ‘Auja checkpoint detained a bus transporting seven civilians. Having forced them to step down, Israeli troops harassed and forced all civilians to dance. Detained civilians were released at a later time.

<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) According to Military Order # S/02/07, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order T/31/07. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to Beit Sahur city near Dar Salah village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jannata town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 12:20, the Israeli army raided Al 'Uruj village, set up a checkpoint in the village's centre, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. • Detention: At 16:45, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained Nidhal Mahmoud Mohammed Shouman, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him at a later time. • Demonstration: At 12:10, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Ma'sara village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants, including a South African peace activist, as a result of tear gas inhalation. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S on the closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction.

- **Closure of Main Roads:**
 - (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani village.
 - (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
 - (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the road between Al Karmil and At Tuwani villages; all roads leading to Road # 60; and the road connecting Surif town to Al Jab'a village.
 - (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.
- **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:30.
 - (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city along Road # 35 and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iii) At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kharsa village and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iv) At 18:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yatta town, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a civilian.
- **Raid:** At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Yatta town and patrolled the area until 01:45.
- **Arrest:** Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to Beit Ummar town arrested Saed Mohammed Abdul Hamid Bahar.
- **Detentions:** At 20:00, Israeli troops detained three children along Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron, claiming that they had thrown stones at an Israeli army patrol. Israeli troops released all detained children after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- **Settler Violence:** At 10:25, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian houses in Al Baq'a area east of Hebron city. At 10:50, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire continues to hold. • <u>Violations of the Ceasefire:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire in Central Gaza district. Israeli troops positioned on the Green Line opened fire and fired a tank shell on Palestinian territory in Northern Gaza, Gaza, and Khan Yunis districts. The Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea in Central Gaza and Khan Yunis. Israeli attacks resulted in the injury of four civilians, including two children, in Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis. (ii) In addition to firing an unidentified mortar towards the Green Line, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire on Israeli army patrol on two occasions.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank. • <u>Attacks/Injuries:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the morning of 10 December 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Palestinians north of Beit Lahiya town, injuring two civilians, including a farmer and worker. (ii) In the evening of 10 December 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Palestinian workers north of Beit Lahiya town, injuring a 16-year-old boy. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> In the morning of 10 December 2010, Israeli F16 combat aircraft patrolled the skies, carried out diversionary air raids, and broke the sound barrier over Northern Gaza district. • <u>Palestinian Attacks/Israeli Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 06:35, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire on an Israeli army patrol along the Border Fence north of Al 'Atatira village north of Beit Lahiya town. Consequently, the Israeli army fired a tank shell on Palestinian territory north of Beit Lahiya town. (ii) At 07:10, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire on an Israeli army patrol along the Border Fence near Abu Samra gate north of Beit Lahiya town. Consequently, the Israeli army opened intensive fire on Palestinian territory north of Beit Lahiya town.

GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (iv) Ash Shuja'ya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. • Attack: In the morning of 10 December 2010, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its location near Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing on the Green Line on Palestinian territory east of Ash Shuja'ya neighbourhood east of Gaza city. • Air Patrol: In the morning of 10 December 2010, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the eastern quarters of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks: In the morning of 10 December 2010, Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of Deir al Balah city. • Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: At 08:00, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory near Kissufim gate on the Green Line northeast of Al Qarara town. While levelling land, Israeli troops opened fire on civilian houses and property. An armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks/Injuries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the morning of 10 December 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Palestinian farmers east of Khuza'a town, injuring Nidhal an Najjar, 16 years old. (ii) In the morning of 10 December 2010, the Israeli navy opened fire intensively on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Khan Yunis city's beach. • Palestinian Attack: At noon on 10 December 2010, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was closed on Friday. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.