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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 14 December 2007 – 08:00, 15 December 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	15	3	18	Incl. 12 civilians in Ramallah
Arrests	9	---	9	Incl. 2 in Ramallah; 3 in Hebron
Detentions	18	---	18	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	34	---	34	Incl. 6 in Ramallah; 7 in Tulkarem
Checkpoints	15	---	15	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	12	---	12	Incl. 5 in Jenin
Attacks	8	2	10	During 3 raids; 5 confrontations
House Occupation	1	---	1	On house in Tulkarem
Demolition of Property	2	---	2	Damage incurred to vehicle windshield
Wall construction	---	---	---	Suspended for Jewish weekend
Closures	7	---	7	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Jenin
Closure of Main Roads	38	---	38	Incl. 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	---	7	7	Partial opening of 4 crossing points
Attacks on Religious Sites	1	---	1	Sign of Temple raised near Dung Gate
Demonstrations	3	---	3	In protest of apartheid Wall
Settler Violence	2	---	2	Settler ran over civilian
Palestinian Attacks	---	3	3	Incl. 26 mortars fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	165	15	180	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<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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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Closure: At 11:00, the Israeli army closed the city of Jerusalem completely for a number of hours. The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. Additionally, the Israeli army combed the area alongside the apartheid Wall as a result of heated alarms of a suicide attack in the city.</p> <p>Closure of Main Roads:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. <p>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya 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.</p> <p>Raids: At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the refugee camp of Qalandya. The raid recurred at 04:00 during which the Israeli army handed notices to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli intelligence.</p> <p>Attacks on Religious Sites: The Israeli army raided the sign of the Temple near Dung Gate that overlooks the al-Aqsa Mosque in the old city of Jerusalem.</p> <p>Wall Gates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. <p>Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of</p>
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	<p>Hizma to ‘Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba’ road, the area of al-‘Eizariya to al-Shayyah, 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.</p>
<p>RAMALLAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of ‘Atara and impeded civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Deir Dibwan and impeded traffic. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:45, the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh and detained the security guards of the Civil Affairs Ministry but released them later after the intervention of the military liaison. The raid recurred at 22:40 during which the Israeli army stormed into a coffee house. The Israeli army withdrew at 23:35. (ii) At 22:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Beitunia. The raid recurred at 02:30 during which the Israeli army patrolled the city until 02:50. (iii) At 02:50, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of al-Jalazon, searched one house, arrested one civilian, and handed one civilian a notice to report to the Israeli intelligence. (iv) At 02:55, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of al-Amaari in the city of al-Bireh, searched 3 civilian houses, arrested one civilian, and handed another a notice to report to the Israeli intelligence. The Israeli army withdrew at 04:30. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army arrested civilian Fadi Bassem Kheireddin, a resident of the refugee camp of al-Jalazon. (ii) The civilian arrested in the refugee camp of al-Amaari in the city of al-Bireh is Waleed al-Wawi. • <u>Demonstrations</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, a public march set out, with the participation of international peace activists and supporters, in the village of Bil’in in protest of the construction of the Apartheid Wall. Clashes broke out between the Israeli army and civilian protestors, resulting in the injury of 7 civilians. (ii) At 13:00, a public march set out in the town of Beit Luqya and the villages of Beit Sira, Beit Ur al-Tahta, Beit Ur al-Foqa, al-tira, Safa, and Kahrbatha al-Misbah, in protest of the discriminatory Israeli policy preventing Palestinian from traveling on road #443 that connects the village to the city of Ramallah. Clashes broke out between the Israeli

	<p>army and civilians, resulting in the injury of 5 civilians,, including a 12-year-old child.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the area west of the town of ‘Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up 4 checkpoints on the bypass road east of the city of Jenin, on Nablus-Jenin main road, at the junction of the town of Yaabod and the village of al-Jarba. At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junctions of the village of al-Jarba, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 12:15, the Israeli army raided the debris of the previously evacuated Homesh settlement, and set up a checkpoint at the entrance to Jenin-Nablus main road, and searched civilians and vehicles. • 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.
TOUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Tayaseer 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. • Raids: At 16:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Toubas. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested civilian Ibrahim Sidqi Abdel Razeq, a resident of the town of Toubas, while he was working inside the Green Line.
TULKAREM	<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’s plain; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun’s plain; and the entrance to the village of ‘Izbat Abu Khamish. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at ‘Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). At 17:00, the Israeli army denied civilians between the age of 16 and 35 access through the ‘Einav checkpoint. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:05, the Israeli army raided the towns of Anabta and Kafr al-Lobad, and the village of Izbat Abu Khmeish, and patrolled them until 16:30. (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Allar, occupied one civilian house and turned it into a military post, and then withdrew at 05:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Ramin, searched 5 civilian houses, and withdrew at 23:55. (iv) At 23:35, the Israeli army raided the suburb of Dhunaba in the city of Tulkarem, and patrolled it until 23:55. • Settler Violence: At 16:25, a settler ran over civilian Amjad Mohammad Canaan near Einav settlement. Seriously bruised, Amjad was taken to Tulkarem Government Hospital for treatment. • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun as well as the road that connects the town of ‘Azzun to the village of ‘Izbat at Tabib. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement barricades the entrances to the village of Kfar Qaddoum, Hijjah, Imatin, Baqa al-Hatab, al-Fundoq, and Izbat al-Tabib that connects them to the main Qalqilya-Nablus road. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of ‘Azzun with an iron gate. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of Hijjah and al-Fundug with cement blocks. (v) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Jinasaphot with dirt barricades. • Checkpoints: at 08:00, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqilya and impeded civilian access. The checkpoint was reopened at a later time. • 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 leveling for Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun.
NABLUS	<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 settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al-Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. • 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) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on

	<p>Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only.</p> <p>(ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.</p> <p>(iii) 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 al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near the junction of the village of Deir Sharaf, and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:45. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 20:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Aseera al-Shmaliyyeh and opened fire indiscriminately during patrol. The Israeli army withdrew at 21:05.</p> <p>(ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus.</p>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues 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).</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik.</p> <p>(iii) At 21:50, the Israeli army closed the road connecting the town of Kaf Hares and the village of Hares with dirt barricades.</p> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tarah checkpoints and to deny civilian access. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Brouqin and fired sound bombs after settler vehicles were toned on the bypass road near the town. The Israeli army withdrew at 12:30.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Kafr al-Dik and Brouqin.</p> <p>(iii) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Yassouf and Iskaka.</p> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 22:15, a bunch of settlers stone civilian house belonging to Ismail Abdel Rahman that is located near the bypass road alongside the town of Brouqin, resulting in the damage of the windshield of his car. The Israeli army interfered and evacuated the settlers. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ari'el.
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,

	<p>forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-‘Auja along al-Mu’arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. • Detentions: At 15:30, the Israeli army detained at the checkpoint set up at the junction of al-‘Auja a civilian vehicle carrying 3 female civilians. The female civilians were released at 18:30.
BETHLEHEM	<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) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahour and Bethlehem. • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Raids: • Flying Checkpoints: At 09:45, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of al-Shawawreh, and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:30. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala, The raid recurred at 20:15. (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:50. (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Sahour. (iv) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, arrested 3 civilians, and withdrew at 01:50. (v) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Teqoa, detained one civilian and released him at a later time. • Arrests: The 3 civilians arrested in the city of Bethlehem are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Omar Mhammad al-Effendi; (b) Mohammad Khader Daamseh; and (c) Ghassan Hermas. • Demonstrations: At 13:00, a public march set out, with the participation of international peace activists and supporters, in the villages of al-Maasara and um Salmounah in Bethlehem district in protest of the construction of Apartheid Wall. Clashes broke out between the Israeli army and civilians, resulting in the injury of one civilian and one international peace activist.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.
<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 the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; 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 neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street. • Flying Checkpoints: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the refugee camp of al-Fawwar, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. The raid recurred at 15:00 during which an Israeli military jeep collided with a motorcycle ridden by civilian Ahmad al-Bakri in the area of Khilet Hdour, resulting in his injury and the damage of the motorcycle. (ii) At 12:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'eem, searched one civilian house, and detained one child. The raid recurred at 17:35 during which the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, including one child. • Arrests:

	<p>(i) At 21:00, the Israeli army arrested civilian Ayman Ismail Aweidat, a resident of the refugee camp of al-‘Arroub, while he was reporting to the Israeli intelligence at Kfar Etzyon settlement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish 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 al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to allow previously coordinated humanitarian access). • Attacks: At 13:00, the Israeli opened fire towards Palestinian civilians east of the town of Jabalia during the funeral of 2 civilians killed in an Israeli air attack. • Palestinian Attacks: At 12:00, one (unidentified) mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja’iya (Nahal ‘Oz) Crossing is partially open to let in fuel. • Palestinian Attacks: At 12:00, one (unidentified) mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attacks: At 12:00, armed individuals fired an anti-tank missile towards the Israeli army east of the town of al-Qarara.
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 is open partially to allow 1200 pilgrims go to the haj. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.