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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 20 December 2005 – 08:00 21 December 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian severely beaten, Al Yamun
Injuries	5	2	7	Incl. 4 children & 2 security officers
Attacks	6	16	22	Incl. 3 in raids & 17 from mil. posts
Raids	16	—	16	Incl. 3 in Hebron & 3 in Nablus
Arrests	25	—	25	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Detentions	15	—	15	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Land Levelling	1	—	1	In the village of Beitillu, Ramallah
Wall Construction	28	—	28	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	20 olive trees uprooted, Beitillu
House Occupations	5	—	5	Converted into mil. posts in Nablus
Checkpoint	1	—	1	'Einav checkpoint partially closed
Flying Checkpoints	18	—	18	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	10	—	10	Incl. the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	19	—	19	Incl. Al Fawwar junction in Hebron
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. Beit Hanun Crossing partially
School Disruption	1	—	1	Al Khadr Girls School raided
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	3	5	Incl. Civil Defence offices raided
Palestinian Attacks	1	6	7	Incl. 12 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	2	—	2	11 illegal vehicles handed over
TOTAL	157	30	187	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and Beit Iksa checkpoints, impeding civilian access. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in 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, around the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim, and west of the village of Al Jib. • Arrest: At 10:15, Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint arrested Omar Abdul Hayy 'Eifan.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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. • Flying Checkpoints: At 18:35, the Israeli army set up 5 flying checkpoints: on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit main road, at the entrance to the village of Abu Qash, on the junction to the village of Jifna, on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, and in the area between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud, claiming that armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards 1 Israeli settler vehicle near the settlement of 'Ofra. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:20, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the town of Beituniya, searched 1 building, and arrested 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer. At 03:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Kobar, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 civilians. • Arrests: On 19 December 2005, the Israeli army arrested 5 civilians during its raid on the village of Qibya, in addition to those reported yesterday: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yousef Yasser Zkeil; (ii) Mohammed Yasser Zkeil; (iii) Mohammed Ghithan; (iv) Jibreel Ahmed Ghithan; and (v) Nasser Fawzi Nasser.

	<p>(vi) The Israeli army arrested Rabi' 'Ayyad, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, in the town of Beituniya.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Kobar:</p> <p>(vii) Ra'fat Mohammed Yaseen; and</p> <p>(viii) Amjad Mohammed Yaseen.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Land Levelling/Destruction of Property:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army levelled civilian land near the settlement of Nahaliel, neighbouring the village of Beitillu, uprooting over 20 olive trees. • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 11:00, Palestinian security forces handed over 10 illegal vehicles, seized in the city of Ramallah, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Raid/Physical Assault:</u> At 09:00, the Israeli army, including 50 jeeps, raided the town of Al Yamun, searched a number of houses, severely beat 1 civilian, and arrested 8 individuals, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 3 children. At 14:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 8 individuals in the town of Al Yamun: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nash'at Mohammed Abu al Hayja, a Palestinian National Security officer; (ii) Hussam Mohammed Abu al Hayja; (iii) Ashraf Sa'id Sha'ban; (iv) Thaer Sa'id Sha'ban; (v) Nidhal Fawwaz Nawahdah; (vi) Samer Fawwaz Nawahdah; (vii) Mohammed Fawwaz Nawahdah; and (viii) Salameh Mohammed Sha'ban.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure over the district of Tulkarem. The Israeli army prevents civilians from the district of Tulkarem from leaving the district and denies those from other areas access into it. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr al Labad and the village of Al Hafasa and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khmeish. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the towns of Bal'a and Deir al Ghusun with cement blocks. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads connecting the town of Bal'a to the village of Al 'Attara, to the town of 'Illar, and to Dahiyat Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of 'Einav on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and impeded access to civilian vehicles in both directions. (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem and impeded civilian access in both directions. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the town of Bal'a and the village of Al Jarushiya and denied access to civilian vehicles in both directions. • <u>Raids:</u> At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp, set up several checkpoints, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also patrolled the area until 04:30.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ol 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Jayyus and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel south of the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> The Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanniriya. • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 09:30, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal vehicle, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Majdal Bani Fadil with dirt barricades.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours, with the exception of Huwwara checkpoint where civilians are allowed only entry into the city around the clock. • <u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/House Occupations/Detention:</u> At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya, and ‘Askar refugee camp, opened fire, fired sound grenades, and demanded that Palestinian security forces maintain their positions. The Israeli army also raided the offices of the Palestinian Civil Defence Department, detained Civil Defence officers in 1 room, occupied 5 buildings in several neighbourhoods, and converted them into military posts, after detaining residents. Additionally, the Israeli army searched a number of houses, after detaining residents. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals in ‘Askar refugee camp, during which the Israeli army injured 2 individuals, including 1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
SALFIT	<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 the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village of Bruqin with dirt barricades. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours, impeding civilian access. (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Za’tara checkpoint and prevented civilians holding IDs issued in Tulkarem and Jenin from crossing. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the area between the town of Bidya and the village of Sarta and arrested 4 civilians, while they were on a hunting trip. (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Salfit until 23:25. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the area between the town of Bidya and the village of Sarta: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Shaher Hisham ‘Adwan;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Rizq Tabib; (iii) Marwan Mustafa Hawwari; and (iv) Nidhal Abdul Nasser Sweidan.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al ‘Auja is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army prevents farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for Jerusalem and Jericho ID holders. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and to impede civilian access. • Flying Checkpoints/Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al ‘Auja on Al Mu’arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu’mān in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians’ residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the villages of Husan and Nahhalin with cement blocks. • 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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of ‘Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • Attack: At 20:00, the Israeli army fired flares over the town of Al Khadr. • Raids/School Disruption: At 10:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and school students. The Israeli army also raided Al Khadr Girls Secondary School. At 13:05, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada’ Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the

	<p>settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure over the city of Hebron and to prevent civilians from entering or exiting the city, allowing access to humanitarian cases only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up on Al Fawwar junction south of the city of Hebron and to deny civilian access in both directions. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'. • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 22:40, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Sa'ir and the area of An Nabi Yunis and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Sa'ir opened fire towards 1 civilian vehicle, claiming that it did not stop at the checkpoint, and arrested its driver.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> • Raids/Detention: <p>(i) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Nimra, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained 1 Palestinian Police officer. The Israeli army also searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(ii) At 15:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Ar Ramadin and searched 1 house.</p> <p>(iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and set up a number of checkpoints. The Israeli army searched a number of houses and arrested 2 civilians.</p> • Arrests: <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested Isma'il Bader in the city of Hebron.</p> <p>(ii) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Sa'ir arrested an unidentified civilian.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Yatta:</p> <p>(iii) Mohammed Jaber al Hrous; and</p> <p>(iv) Ali Mohammed Bheiss.</p>
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip, ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line. The Israeli army has also prevented civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line.
<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 to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases only. • Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:15, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. (ii) At 17:20, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory 100 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location north of the town of Beit Lahiya. (iii) At 18:35, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory opposite Point 62 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya. (iv) At 19:20, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya. (v) At 21:00, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory 50 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location north of the town of Beit Lahiya. At 21:15, the Israeli army fired 3 more shells. (vi) At 22:30, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell from Point 56 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory opposite Point 34 on the Green Line northeast of the town of Beit Hanun. At 23:50, the Israeli army fired 3 more shells. (vii) At 23:30, and again at 23:35, and at 00:55, the Israeli army fired 7 tank shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring 1 Palestinian National Security officer by tank shell shrapnel. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:10, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 19:30, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (iii) At 19:35, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (iv) At 21:00, armed Palestinian individuals attempted to fire 2 unidentified mortars towards the Green Line. The 2 mortars exploded in the area from where they were fired.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 08:00, the Israeli army fired 6 tank shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory opposite Point 68 on the Green Line east of Gaza city.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> (i) At 16:45, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 21:25, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> At 09:25, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 114 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp, claiming that Palestinian individuals were attempting to gain access to areas inside the Green Line. Mohammed Sa'doun, 15 years old, was injured during the attack.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 159 on the Green Line towards a number of farmers east of the area of Al Qarara. (ii) At 19:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 184 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions from 08:00 to 16:00 to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. • <u>Attack:</u> At 20:05, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 220 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory south of Sufa Crossing.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Administrative Detention:</u> Israeli authorities renewed orders of administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against 157 political prisoners held in Ketziot ("An Naqab") Military Detention Camp.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> The Israeli authorities renewed 6,809 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> The Israeli authorities renewed 5,367 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, none of the workers possessing work permits were allowed access to areas inside the Green Line.