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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 20 December 2010 - 08:00, 21 December 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	6	8	Incl. 3 in Northern Gaza & 3 in K. Yunis
Arrests (per person)	8	_	8	Incl. 3 in Nablus & 2 in Qalqiliya
Detentions	14	_	14	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	20	_	20	Incl. 2 in Nablus & 1 in Salfit
Checkpoints	9		9	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	32		32	Incl. 1 in Salfit & 1 in Nablus
Attacks	1	3	4	3 by military posts & 1 in confrontation
Air Attacks		8	8	Missile airstrikes on Gaza districts
Air Patrols		6	6	4 by various planes & 2 by F-16 fighters
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	_	2	Incl. the detention of a police vehicle
House Demolition	1	1	2	Incl. force civilian to demolish his home
Destruction of Property	4	1	5	Incl. demolishing 4 commercial stores
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7		7	Incl. Jerusalem city & 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 10 in Nablus & 3 in Salfit
Closure of Crossing Points		3	3	Partial opening of 4 crossings
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Settler vehicle run over a child in Qalqiliya
Demonstration	1	_	1	Against Wall in town of Biddu
Palestinian Attacks	_	2	2	Firing 10 mortars towards the Green Line
TOTAL	159	30	189	

DISTRICT **EVENTS**

WEST BANK

Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the occupied city of Jerusalem and Al Agsa Mosque, and prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city, except those possessing Israeli permits.
- On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order (ii) # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall.
- The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian (iii) access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa.

Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.
- The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall (ii) section separating the area of Dahiyat Al Bareed in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram.
- (iii) On 28 May 2010, the Israeli army closed the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa, which leads to the city of Jerusalem, by an iron gate, and told civilians to pass through Qalandiya checkpoint to occupied Jerusalem city.

Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and only allows holders of Jerusalem IDs to access the city of Jerusalem.

- Raid: At 23:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and searched a number of houses.
- House Demolition: On 20 December 2010, the Israeli army in the occupied old city of Jerusalem forced the civilian Mousa Soboh to demolish his 120 square meters house by his hand to avoid paying huge fines under the pretext of not having construction licenses.
- **Demonstration:** At 17:30, a mass demonstration took place in front of the Wall gates in Biddu town against the Wall and in protest at denying civilians access through the Wall gates to reach and farm their agricultural land behind the Wall. Consequently, the Israeli army raided the town, opened fire towards demonstrators who allegedly threw stones. As a result, the civilian Dia' Ahmad Saleh Ash-Sheikh sustained serious injuries and evacuated to an Israeli hospital for treatment. The Israeli army also arrested 2 civilian brothers.
- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Biddu the civilians Muhammad Aziz Abu Eid and his brother Fadi.

Wall Gates:

The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu (i) Dis with cement blocks.

JERUSALEM

	 (ii) 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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, south of Beit Hanina village, and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village, Safa village and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. Flying Checkpoints: At 16:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Deir As-Sudan and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of At-Tayba (on the road connecting the districts of Ramallah and Jericho) and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 02:00 on 20 December 2010, the Israeli army raided the town of Turmus'ayya and arrested a child. At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh until 11:10. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Turmus'ayya 16-year-old Muhammad Radwan Nimr Jbarah. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud, in the periphery of the settlement of Ofarim and north of the villages of Al Lubban Al Gharbi and Rantis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. Raids: At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of At-Tayba. At 20:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Zububa until 21:15. At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the villages of Siris and Al Jadida and searched 3 houses. 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	 Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00. Raid: At 15:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Ein Al Beida, set up a flying checkpoint and patrolled the area.

TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr Al Labad and the village of Shofeh and Izbat Shofeh. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoints: At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Bizzariya and searched civilians and vehicles. At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat Road (which connects the districts of Tulkarm and Qalqiliya) and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 12:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Lid. 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.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 10:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun. Again at 19:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jinsafut. At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Kafr Laqif. At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Izbat Salman and Izbat Jal'ud. At 07:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the settlement of Kadumim. Raid: At 03:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, arrested 2 civilians and withdrew at 06:00. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the city of Qalqiliya the civilians Muhammad Adel Enayah and Khaled Nabil Halwan. Settler Violence: At 19:45, an Israeli settler driving his vehicle on Qalqiliya – Nablus main road in the middle of Al Funduq village ran over the child Qusay Amjad Mheisen. As a result, the child sustained injuries and contusions and evacuated to hospital for treatment. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and search civilians, including students, with a detector.

	 (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Ar-Rasha and prevent the access of its inhabitants. The Israeli army only allows the passage of students to their schools outside the village through Habla town gate, while allowing the passage of civilians through gate # 109. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues on land belonging to the village of Kafr Laqif, north of the settlement of Karni Shomron, on land belonging to the village of Immatin, northeast of the settlement of 'Amano'el, and east of the town of Kafr Thulth near the settlement of Ma'aleh Shomron.
NABLUS	Closure of Main Roads: (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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement. Checkpoints: (i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only from 07:00 until 02:00. (ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00. Flving Checkpoint: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: (i) At 05:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus until 06:00. (ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Hasan, searched a house and arrested 3 civilians (a man and his 2 sons). Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Hasan the civilians: Muhammad Saleh Abu Zour and his sons Adham and Iyhab.
SALFIT	Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances of 2 side roads between the village of Marda and its agricultural land. On 14 November 2010, the Israeli army allowed the opening of the

	northern entrance to the city of Salfit (that has been closed for 7 years) and allowed the access of passenger buses only. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • Flying Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka, detained police officer Muhammad Sulaiman Abdulhameed and released him following DCO intervention. • Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Farkha, searched a house, served summon to the civilian Ibrahim Abdulkareem Rizqallah to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 02:35. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of the town of Deir Istiya (southeast of the settlement of 'Amanu'el).
JERICHO	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho. Again at 23:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: (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) As of 15 September 2007, the Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access, pursuant to military order # 07/02, to 22 dunum area confiscated according to military order # 07/31 to establish a crossing point in the area of Al Mazmuriya between the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town and the agricultural road that is located between the town of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. Checkpoint: At 17:15, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Container checkpoint and impeded civilian access. Flving Checkpoints: (i) At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 10:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Za'tara, detained a Palestinian National Security vehicle and allowed it to pass following DCO intervention.

(iii) At 20:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Ash Shawawra and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 13:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Artas and Wadi Rahhal.
- (ii) At 22:55, the Israeli army raided the area of Um Rukba in Al Khadr town and searched a house.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr and Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.

• Closure:

- (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 continues to close the entrance to al Laban Market by iron boards. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 09/06 closing the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuating those inside it and preventing civilians from accessing it. This is the land seized for military purposes for the construction of the Wall.

Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the
 - main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya.

 The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from
- (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 with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to bypass Road # 60.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the side roads off the bypass road leading to the town of Yatta.

• Flying Checkpoints:

(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints: on the overpass leading to Halhul town, at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and at the entrances located north of Hebron city (off bypass road # 35).

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- (ii) At 10:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction, detained a civil police vehicle and allowed it to pass following DCO intervention.
- (iii) At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ula and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of As Samoa' and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Halhul town, detained Palestinian National Security officer Muhammad Abu Haifa' and released him following DCO intervention.
- (vi) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the city of Hebron (off bypass road # 35) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of At Tabaqa and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raids: At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. Again at 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.
- <u>Destruction of Property</u>: At 09:35, the Israeli army demolished in the area of Al Baq'a, located east of the old city of Hebron, 4 commercial stores belonging to the civilian Yahya Muhammad Said Jaber under the pretext of not being licensed and because they are located in area C which falls under Israeli control.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

- At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period.
- The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by opening fire from its locations on the Green Line in the districts of Northern Gaza and Central Gaza and by air strikes firing a number of missiles from F-16 fighter jets and other unknown warplanes (in 8 consecutive air raids) in the districts of Northern Gaza, Gaza, Khan Yunis and Rafah. As a result, the attacks by opening fire and the air raids injured 6 civilians, including 2 armed Palestinian individuals with 1 who sustained serious injuries.
- Armed Palestinian groups breached the ceasefire by firing 10 mortars towards the Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for the passage of critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, the staff of international humanitarian organizations, traders, businessmen and civilians travelling through Al Karama Crossing who have prior coordination. Attacks: In the morning of 20 December 2010, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north and east of Beit Hanun town. At noon on 20 December 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations on the Green Line towards civilian workers north of Beit Hanun town injuring 1 worker. Air Attack: In the evening of 20 December 2010, Israeli warplanes launched an air strike by firing 2 missiles in 2 consecutive air raids against a location belonging to an armed Palestinian group in Ash Sheima', north of Beit Lahiya town, and in agricultural land in Abu Safieh area, located northeast of Jabalya town, injuring 2 civilians.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially open for the entry of wheat and fodder. Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. Air Attack: In the evening of 20 December 2010, Israeli warplanes launched an air strike by firing a missile towards armed Palestinian individuals east of Az-Zeitun neighborhood, located east of Gaza city. Palestinian Attack: At 16:45, 3 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	<u>Attack</u> : In the morning of 20 December 2010, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line towards agricultural land and civilian houses east of Al Bureij refugee camp.
KHAN YOUNIS	 Air Attacks: In the evening of 20 December 2010, Israeli F-16 warplanes launched an air strike by firing a missile against a location belonging to an armed Palestinian group west of Khan Yunis city injuring 2 armed Palestinian individuals, including 1 who sustained serious injuries. In the evening of 20 December 2010, Israeli warplanes launched air strikes by firing 2 missiles in 2 consecutive air raids against a dairy factory in Khan Yunis city and an open area east of Al Qarara town injuring a civilian and causing material damages to the factory.

• Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.
- (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open for the departure of sick civilians, students and visa holders, and for the entry of civilians and patients who received treatment at Egyptian hospitals.
- (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
- (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the entry of food, humanitarian assistance, a quantity of diesel for the electricity plant, cooking gas, 20 imported vehicles, and for the export of 4 truckloads of strawberries and flowers.

• Air Attacks:

RAFAH

- (i) In the evening of 20 December 2010, Israeli F-16 warplanes launched an air strike by firing a missile against a smuggling tunnel located in the area of Ash Shu'out, south of Rafah city, near the Palestine Egypt borders.
- (ii) In the evening of 20 December 2010, Israeli warplanes launched an air strike by firing a missile against a deserted house in the area of Karm Abu Mu'ammar, in the periphery of Sufa Crossing, northeast of Rafah city. The house was destroyed.
- <u>House Demolition</u>: The Israeli warplanes destroyed in the area of Karm Abu Mu'ammar, northeast of Rafah city, a house belonging to the civilian Majed Marzouq Mu'ammar.
- <u>Palestinian Attack</u>: At 16:45, 7 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.

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