## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



### PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

### **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00, 23rd December 2011 – 08:00, 24th December 2011

### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	2	_	2	Israeli forces assaulted a Palestinian during a demonstration in Kafer Qaddum
Injury	2	_	2	Israeli forces injured 2 protestors in Bilin and Nabi Saleh
Detention	4	_	4	1 in Jerusalem, 1 in Qalqilia, 1 in Jenin and 1 in Tulkarem
Temporary Detentions	14	_	14	At checkpoints and in residential areas, including 2 international activists
Raids	16	_	16	In Ramallah, Tulkarem, Tubas, Jericho, Nablus and Hebron.
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Access allowed at 3 checkpoints & impeded at 5
Flying Checkpoints	24	_	24	Incl. Jerusalem, Ramallah, Nablus, Jericho, Tubas, Bethlehem, Hebron.
Attacks	7	1	8	During confrontations and firing a mortar
Occupation of Homes	2		2	In Kafer Qaddum and Kharsa villages
Wall Construction	16	_	16	4 in Jerusalem, 2 in Ramallah, 1 in Tulkarem, 4 in Qalqilya, 1 in Salfit, 3 in Bethlehem and 1 in Hebron.
Closure (per District)	8	_	8	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem, 1 in Jerusalem & 5 Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	50	_	50	Incl.4 in Tulkarem, 9 in Nablus and 21 in Hebron
Closure of Crossings	_	6	6	Beit Hanun crossing open, Erez crossing partially open for humanitarian cases and cooking gas and Rafah crossing was closed.
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Israeli settlers attacked 1 Palestinian in the old city of Hebron
Demonstrations	7		7	Demonstrations in protest of settlement activities, closures and confiscation of property
TOTAL	162	7	169	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK		
	Closure:     On 02.12.2011, the Israeli army increased its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrance to Jerusalem city, set up several flying checkpoints on the main road leading to the city entrance and the entrance to the Old City.  The Israeli army continues to close the 'demarcation area' along the Wall in the area surrounding occupied East Jerusalem and restricts access to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits.	
JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages.</li> <li>• Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt mounds the entrance to Jaba' village.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the gate along the Wall section separating the area of Dahiyat Al-Bareed from Al-Ram town.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Checkpoints: <ol> <li>Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and designate a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and another for those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(ii) Israeli forces continue to close the entrance to the Shofat refugee camp with cement blocks, which will impede the free flow of traffic in Ras Khamis, Ras Shihadeh and Salam neighbourhood in Anata and Shofat refugee camp in Jerusalem.</li> <li>• Flying checkpoint: At 23:30, the Israeli forces set up a checkpoint in Biddu village and arrested one person.</li> <li>• Detentions: The arrestee in Biddu village is unkown.</li> <li>• Demonstrations: <ol> <li>At 13:30, residents and activists demonstrated at Qalandia village against the construction of the wall. Clashes with Israeli forces resulted in several cases of suffocation from teargas inhalation.</li> <li>• Wall Gates:</li> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.</li> </ol> </li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Al-Shayyah road in the area between Al-Sawahira Al-Sharqiya and Al-Sawahira Al-Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the areas north and south of Qalandia village; south of Al-Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi Al-Eizariya west of the illegal settlement Ma'ale Adumim.</li> </ul>	

	• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> : The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages.
	<ul> <li>Demonstration:         <ul> <li>(i) At 11:45, a demonstration was organized in Al-Nabi Saleh against the confiscation of the village's lands and the construction of the wall&gt; Israeli forces fired</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
RAMALLAH	rubber-coated steel bullets and teargas towards the demonstrators, inuring 2 people: Majed Tamimi and Walid Bargouthi. The Israeli army also arrested 2 internationals.
& AL BIREH	(ii) At 11:45, demonstrations were organized in Nilin and Bilin villages against the construction of the separation wall. The Israeli forces fired teargas towards the demonstrators, causing several injuries
	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding the illegal settlement 'Ofarim and north of Al-Lubban Al- Gharbi and Rantis villages.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the illegal settlement Dotan.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>(i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided Yabad town.</li> <li>(ii) At 07:40, the Israeli army raided Al-Zababda town</li> <li>(iii) At 07:50, the Israeli army raided Jenin city.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Arrests: At 19:25, the Israeli army arrested Bassem Sawlha from Assira al</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Shimalia.</li> <li><u>Detention:</u> On 23.12.2011, the Israeli army detained at Bartaha checkpoint Rabab Kabha when she was coming to her home with her brother, as they refused to be checked physically but were released at a later time.</li> <li><u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which undercuts the access to education and health services</li> </ul>
TUBAS	<ul> <li>for civilians living behind the Wall.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to restrict Palestinian access to the Northern Jordan Valley through the Tayasir checkpoint to between the hours of 06:00 and 22:00.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road connecting Kafr Al-Labad town to Shufa village.</li> <li>At 13:00, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues its restrictions on Palestinian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Flying checkpoint: <ol> <li>At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at Beit Led junction, and impeded access on the road.</li> <li>At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at Balah town and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 23:20, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at Kafer Lubad junction and</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
	Raids:     (i) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided Anabta town and arrested one person

under the pretest of stone throwing

- (ii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem city.
- Arrests: The arrestee in Anabta town is Mohammed Faqha.
- Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, undercutting access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route resumed in the area surrounding Jubara village According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.

### • Closure of Roads:

- (i) Israeli forces continue to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of Azzoun.
- In addition to closing the gate installed since the outbreak the second *Intifada*, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village.

### • Flying checkpoints:

- (i) At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Hija village and searched civilians and vehicles..
- (ii) At 12:40 & 20:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Jensafout village and searched civilians and vehicles..
- (iii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 15:20 & 21:25, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Jett village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 17:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near al Nabi Elias village and searched civilians and vehicles.

### • Raids:

- (i) At 17:40, the Israeli army raided 'Azzun town
- (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army raided Jensafout village
- **Detentions:** Israeli forces detained Bashar Geade.

### • **Physical Assault:** At 20:00, the Israeli army assaulted Akram Daoud and Mohammed Swealm under the pretext of trying to escape to Israel through the wall

 <u>Demonstrations</u>: At 12:00, Palestinians and international peace activists marched in Kafir Qaddoum village to protest closure of the entrance gate leading to the village. During the demonstration the Israeli army fired teargas and stun grenades towards demonstrators as they neared towards the village entrance, injuring Aqel Shteawe with a direct hit from a teargas canister; and 2 demonstrators were suffocated from teargas inhalation.

### • Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to restrict access at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, using a metal detector.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Al-Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the 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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in Kafr Laqef village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.

### **QALQILYA**

	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 Osrin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osrin.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to Qabalan town; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut.
	• Checkpoints:
NABLUS	(i) Al-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 between 07:00 and, 02:00
	(ii) At Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are only allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00 and between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.
	(iii) At 12:40, the Israeli army increased restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint, impeding the free flow of traffic.
	• Flying checkpoints:  (i) At 09:10, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at Beta village and searched civiliams and vehicles.
	• Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the entrance to two
	detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland.  (ii) Since 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has opened the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years, and at 11:00, Israeli forces closed the entrance and impeded the free flow of traffic.
SALFIT	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to increase restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impeded the free flow of traffic.
	<ul> <li>Flying Checkpoint:         <ul> <li>(i) At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Yassuf village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	(ii) At 09:00 – 10:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between Salfit and
	Burqin town and searched civilians and vehicles.  (iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Deir
	Istia town and searched civilians and vehicles.
	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement.</li> </ul>
	• Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between
	Jericho city and Al-Oja village with cement blocks.  • Checkpoints:
JERICHO	(i) Israeli forces continue to restrict access through Al-Hamra checkpoint set up along the road connecting Jericho and Nablus Districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho District and the Jordan Valley area.
	(ii) Israeli forces continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al-Ouja village, only allowing access to residents of the Jericho District and others with access permits.

	• . Flying Checkpoints: At 08:30 & 17:05, the Israeli army set up a flying				
	checkpoint at the southern entrance of Jericho city and searched civilians and				
	vehicles.				
	• Raids:				
	(i) At 13:40, Israeli forces raided Al Auja village.				
	(ii) At 19:45 – 21:40, the Israeli army raided Marj Najah and Ghazal.				
	(iii) At 03:15 – 04:10, the Israeli army raided Aqba Jaber refugee camp, searched 1				
	civilian home and handed a notification to Saed Aweadat to report to the Israeli				
	military intelligence.				
	• <u>Temporary Detention:</u> At 14:50 – 16:55, Israeli forces detained Rashad abu				
	Garhod while grazing his cheep under the pretext for not holding his id card.				
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	• <u>Closure</u> :				
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the				
	exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of				
	the village.				
	(ii) Since 15 September 2007, the Israel army has prevented civilians from				
	accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya				
	area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities.				
	Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi				
	Ahmed road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to				
BETHLEHEM	Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al				
	Jab'a villages.				
	• Flying Checkpoint: At 10:30 & 21:15, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at Al				
	Nashnash and searched civilians and vehicles.				
	• Demonstrations:				
	(i) At 12:50, Palestinian and international peace activists marched near Al-				
	Masara village to protest the construction of the wall. During the				
	demonstration, the Israeli army fired stun and teargas grenades towards				
	protestors.  On 23 12 2011 Palestinian and international pages activists marshed page				
	• On 23.12.2011, Palestinian and international peace activists marched near Cremisan area West of Beit Jala where the Christian community held worship to				
	protest the construction plan of the wall.				
	Wall Construction: Wall construction continued northwest of Beit Jala town.      Classification:				
	• Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close Al-Shuhada' Street, Al-Sahleh and Khuzq				
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close Al-Shuhada' Street, Al-Sahleh and Khuzq Al-Far areas, as well as the old gold market in Hebron's Old City. 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 electronic gate; Al-Laban Market also remains closed.				
	(ii) Since 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has closed the area located along the				
	Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall				
	construction, the Israeli army evicted the Palestinian residents and denied them				
	access to the area.				
	Closure of Main Roads:				
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Al-Dhahiriya and Al-				
	Samoa' towns, Al-'Arrub refugee camp, and Al-Tuwani and Al-Karmil				
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Hebron	(ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling				
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- along the old Al-Shalala Street leading to Hebron's Old City.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds a detour road leading to the entrance to Al-Simiya village.
- (v) Since15. 10. 2011, Israeli forces closed two entrances lead to Beit Ummar town.

### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Saer village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Deir Samet village and searched civilians and vehicles.

### • Raids:

- (i) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided Al Tabqa village and clashed with residents.
- (ii) At 16:05, the Israeli army raided Al Rehia village, clashed with residents and and injured Khalid Zaki from gas inhalation.
- (iii) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided Tarqumia.
- <u>Detention:</u> At 12:25 15:45, the Israeli army detained Firas Abu Rmela, 14, from Wadi al Jouza in Bani Naem town.
- <u>Home occupation:</u> At 13:50, the Israeli army occupied a home belonging to Mahmud al Namora in Kharsa village, and converted it into a military area.
- <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 23:00, a group of settlers in the old city of Hebron assaulted Abdala Shaheen, 15,, who was admitted to a hospital for treatment.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the area surrounding the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Thahiriya town.

### **GAZA STRIP**

# At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by Israel came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 30 October 2011 at 22:00. On 14.12.2011, the Israeli army placed floating marks 3 miles from Gaza's seashore and warned fishermen against pass beyond the mark. Israeli forces broke the ceasefire by opening fire and firing artillery shells from positions at the Green Line towards Gaza.

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) is open for humanitarian assistance, journalists and international access.</li> </ul>	
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed following a unilateral Israeli decision.</li> <li>Al-Shija'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Attacks:         <ul> <li>On 24.12.2011, the Israeli army fired artillery shells from positions at the Green Line towards agricultural land in al Shujaiya east of Gaza city.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Khan Younis	•	
	• Closure of Crossing Points:	
	Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.	
	• Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed	
	Sufa Crossing is closed.	
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Al Awda crossing – Rafah is closed.</li> </ul>	