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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 24 December 2010 – 08:00, 25 December 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	9	3	12	Incl. a woman, a farmer & 2 children
Physical Assaults	2	—	2	Incl. an Israeli journalist in Bil'in village
Arrests (per person)	3	—	3	2 in Ramallah & 1 in Qalqiliya
Detentions	12	—	12	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	16	—	16	Incl. 5 in Nablus & 1 in Qalqiliya
Checkpoints	8	—	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya & 3 in Nablus
Attacks	5	2	7	Incl. 1 by military post & 1 by warboats
Air Attacks	—	3	3	3 raids by F-16s on C. Gaza & Rafah
Air Patrols	—	2	2	During air raids on C. Gaza & Rafah
House Occupation	1	—	1	Roof of house converted into mil. post
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Settlers destroy olive trees in Raml'h
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 & 1 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Beit Hanun open for humanitarian cases
Medical Obstruction	1	—	1	Deny ambulance access to evacuate injured
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. torch olive trees in Ramallah district
Demonstrations	7	—	7	Incl. against settlement & deportation
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	Firing 2 mortars towards the Green Line
TOTAL	152	18	170	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 24 December 2010, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the occupied city of Jerusalem, set up a number of flying checkpoints on main road intersections and entrances to the occupied old city of Jerusalem and prevented civilians from other districts from entering the city to perform Friday prayer at Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Ikka. • 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 in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Ikka, which leads to the city of Jerusalem, by an iron gate, and allows civilians access to occupied Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint only. • 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. • Demonstrations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, civilians performed Friday prayer in a sit in tent erected in Silwan neighborhood in occupied Jerusalem city in protest at evacuating houses in order to demolish them to establish settlement projects. (ii) At 13:30, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place in the neighborhood of Silwan in occupied Jerusalem city against the policy of house demolition and deporting civilians from their homes and away from their families. Consequently, confrontations took place with the Israeli army while attempting a number of times to raid the neighborhood. As a result, 5 civilians were injured and another suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall
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	<p>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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
<p>RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Rima and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 13:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of At-Tayba and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, arrested a civilian and withdrew at 04:10. • Settler Violence: At 12:30, a group of Israeli settlers torched civilian land planted with olive trees that belongs to An Nabi Salih village, located near the settlement of Halamish, destroying a number of trees. • Demonstrations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:25, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international and Israeli peace activists, took place in the village of An Nabi Salih in protest at settler attacks and land confiscation for the benefit of Halamish settlement. The Israeli army raided the village where confrontations took place with civilians resulting in the injury of 3 civilians, including 12-year-old child Uday Abdulrazzaq At-Tamimi and the civilian woman Fa’ida Abdulhafeez At-Tamimi. Also 3 other civilian women suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army prevented a Palestinian Red Crescent ambulance from entering the village to evacuate the injured civilians. It was allowed access at a later time following DCO intervention. The Israeli army arrested a civilian. (ii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil’in against the Wall. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army causing suffocation to a number of demonstrators from tear gas inhalation. (iii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international and Israeli peace activists, took place in the town of Ni’lin against the Wall. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army causing contusions to 2 civilians and an Israeli journalist when tear gas bombs hit their bodies. In addition, a number of demonstrators suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested in the city of El Bireh the civilian Haytham Mustafa Qar'an. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the village of An Nabi Salih the civilian Ala' Muhammad Hussein At-Tamimi. • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Ya'bad, fired light flares in the sky above the town while searching a number of houses and withdrew at 23:25. (ii) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Faquq'a until 00:20. • 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"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 the road between the villages 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 Checkpoint: At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction leading to Al Jarushiya village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the neighborhood of Shuweika. Again at 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 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.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kafr Thulth and the village of Izbat Al Ashqar. (ii) At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of Qadumim (on Qalqiliya – Nablus main road) and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 13:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Azzun and the village of Izbat At-Tabib.

	<p>(iv) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Kafr Laqif and arrested a civilian under the pretext of finding a knife while searching his vehicle.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 17:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun, searched the house of the civilian Khaled Ali Radwan and conducted field interrogation with the house residents while under detention. The Israeli army also searched the house of police officer Saed Dirar Muhammad Radwan and served summons to the civilians Muhammad Rasem Hussein and Ghazi Muhammad Ghazi to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested near the village of Kafr Laqif the civilian 'Orwah Abdulsalam. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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	<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 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:35.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf (on Nablus – Tulkarm main road) and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:30. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Khirbet Tana until 23:55. (ii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 02:30. (iii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of ‘Awarta until 01:20. (iv) At 01:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Talluza until 02:45. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 18:25, a group of Israeli settlers pelted stones towards civilian vehicles travelling on the main road near the junction leading to the settlement of Yitzhar.
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 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances of 2 side roads between the village of Marda and its agricultural land. (iii) 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za’tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Kifl Hares. (ii) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 13:00, a group of armed Israeli settlers entered the area of Ein Al Fawwara that is located between the towns of Kafr Ad Dik and Deir Ghassana and withdrew at 14:30. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area north of the town of Deir Istiya (southeast of the settlement of ‘Amanu’el).
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-‘Auja with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint

	<p>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 with permits.</p>
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) As of 15 September 2007, the Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access, pursuant to military order # 07/02, to 22 <i>dunum</i> 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu', occupied the roof of a house belonging to the civilian Hussein Hasan Mousa and converted it into a military post and withdrew at 18:50. (ii) At 18:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Khirbet Ad Deir. (iii) At 19:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Janata. • Demonstrations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Walaja in protest at leveling work in civilian land for the benefit of completing Wall construction. (i) At 13:10, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place in Al Ma'sara village in protest at Wall construction. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army injuring 16-year-old child Ali Hamdan and causing suffocation to a number of demonstrators from tear gas inhalation. • Wall Construction: 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.
HEBRON	<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 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 (the fruit and

	<p>vegetable market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.</p> <p>(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.</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 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. (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:10, 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. (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Ar-Ramadin and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 18:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of An-Nabi Yunis. • <u>Raid:</u> At 21:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta until 00:10. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 11:40, a group of Israeli settlers protected by the Israeli army gathered near the village of Al Karmil, located east of Yatta town, and withdrew at a later time. • <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.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 Northern Gaza district. Israeli navy boats also opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea in Gaza district. In addition, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired missiles (in 3 consecutive air raids) in Central Gaza and Rafah districts. As a result, 3 civilians were injured in Northern Gaza and Central Gaza districts. • Armed Palestinian groups violated the ceasefire by firing 2 mortars towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> 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. • <u>Attack:</u> In the morning of 24 December 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations on the Green Line towards civilian farmers working on their land north of Beit Lahiya town injuring 1 of them. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> On 24 December 2010, 1 mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 24 December 2010, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Gaza city beach.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attack:</u> In the evening of 24 December 2010, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired 2 missiles against a location belonging to an armed Palestinian group on the edges of An-Nuseirat refugee camp injuring 2 civilians who were passing through the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YOUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> In the morning of 24 December 2010, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.

RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.(ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed for Friday.(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.• <u>Air Attack:</u> In the evening of 24 December 2010, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired 2 missiles (in 2 consecutive air raids) against smuggling tunnels located south of Rafah city near Palestine – Egypt borders.
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