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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00, 24th December 2011 – 08:00, 25th December 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian during demonstration in Hebron
Arrests	5		5	1 in Jerusalem; 5 in Qalqilya
Detentions	15	_	15	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem, 1 in Ramallah, 4 in Bethlehem and 3 in Hebron, including a child.
Raids	13	_	13	Incl. 1 in Jenin; 1 in Tubas; 2 in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	9	_	9	Allowed at 3 checkpoints & impeded at 6 others
Flying Checkpoints	25	_	25	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem; 2 in Ramallah; 10 in Qalqilya
Attacks	1		1	During demonstration in Hebron.
Provocation of Palestinian Forces	1		1	Israeli army detains PCP vehicle in Jericho
Setting Up Military Posts	1		1	Military watch tower in Hebron
Wall Construction				Wall construction ceased during Sabbath
Closure (per District)	8	_	8	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem; 2 in Bethlehem; 5 in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	50	_	50	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem; 3 in Ramallah; 19 in Hebron
Demonstrations	1		1	In Hebron in protest of settlers attacks
Closure of Crossings	_	6	6	Beit Hanoun crossing open, Erez crossing partially open for humanitarian cases and cooking gas and Rafah crossing open for the entry and exit of passengers.
Settler Violence	1		1	Settlers stoned civilian vehicles in Salfit
Palestinian Attacks	_	2	2	Palestinian groups fired 2 mortars towards the Green Line
TOTAL	131	8	139	

DISTRICT	EVENTS		
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JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to increase 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. The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages. Closure of Main Roads:		
RAMALLAH & AL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: (i) At 15:20, Israeli forces delayed access through the Bet El checkpoint. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. 		
	 Flying Checkpoint: (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the entrance of the town of Beit Luqya and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the entrance of the village of Deir Al-Sudan. 		
	Wall Construction: Wall construction ceased on the Sabbath 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.
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JENIN	 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 07:20, the Israeli army set up two checkpoints between the town of Mithelon and the villages of Siris and Al-Jadeeda, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 06:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Mithelon.
	Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which undercuts the access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	 <u>Checkpoints</u>: 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.
	• Raids: At 08:10, the Israeli forces raided and patrolled the city of Tubas.
	 <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road connecting Kafr Al-Labad town to Shufa village and the dirt road between Shufa and Saffarin villages.
TULKAREM	 <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to restrict Palestinian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road and impeded the free flow of traffic.
	 Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates was restricted to civilians granted special permits, undercutting access to education and health services for civilians living behind the wall.
	 Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route ceased on the Sabbath 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 'Azzun.
	 In addition to closing the gate installed since the outbreak the second <i>Intifada</i>, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village.
	 Flying checkpoints: (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction of the village of Jeet and searched civilians and vehicles. The checkpoint was set up again at 20:35.
	(ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Jinasaphot and searched civilians and vehicles.
QALQILYA	(iii) At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the entrance of the village of Sinerya and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iv) At 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of 'Azzun and Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(v) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the northern entrance of the town of 'Azzun and impeded flow of traffic. (vi) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the eastern entrance of the
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	 i) At 10:00 & 22:40, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun , set up checkpoints, impeded traffic and arrested 3 civilians, including two brothers. ii) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al-Ashqar. iii) At 14:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qadoum, set up checkpoints, arrested 1 Palestinian policeman, and withdrew at 16:10. Arrests: The 3 arrestees from the town of 'Azzun are Ayman Abdel Fattah Radwan, Salah Ahmad Radwan and his brother Ibrahim. The arrestee in the village of Kafr Qadoum is Nael Ala' Eddin Ajumaah from the PCP. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to restrict access at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, using a metal detector. 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 ceased on the Sabbath 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.
	• 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:
	(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.
	Flying checkpoints:
	(i) At 10:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction of the
	village of Deir Sharaf and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	(ii) At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction of Al- Maslakh area and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iii) At 04:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction of the village of Deir Sharaf and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids: At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Burqa, searched 1 civilian
	home, and delivered to a civilian called Muntaser Mohamad Salah a notification to report to the Israeli military intelligence.
SALFIT	Closure of Main Roads:
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	(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.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continued its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and
	impeded the free flow of traffic.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 09:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Hares and patrolled it until 09:40.
	(ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfitm stormed into 1 civilian home,
	and delivered to a civilian called Mohamad Marwan Marayta a notification to report to
	the Israeli military intelligence.
	(iii) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Iskaka and patrolled it until 01:25.
	• Settler Violence: At 00:10, a group of Israeli settlers from Kfar Tepoah settlement
	stoned civilian vehicles. At 01:20, the Israeli army evacuated the settlers.
	Wall Construction: Wall construction ceased on the Sabbath in the area north of
	Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement.
	• <u>Closure of Main Road</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between
	Jericho city and Al-Oja village with cement blocks.
	• Checkpoints:
	(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.
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	• Flying Chekpoints:
	(i) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the southern
JERICHO	entrance of the city of Jericho.
JERICHO	(ii) At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the entrance of the
	village of Fasayel and detained two civilians and released them at a later
	time.
	• Raids: At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Fasqyel and fired flash
	grenades during patrol.
	• <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces</u> : At 11:15, the Israeli army detained on Maale
	Ephraim checkpoint a PCP vehicle carrying criminal detainees from Jenin to
	Jericho and released it at 11:45.
	• Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the
	(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
BETHLEHEM	Ahmed road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to
	Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al
	Jab'a villages.
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- <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continued to restrict access at the "Container" checkpoint and impeded the free flow of traffic and at 16:30, Israeli forces closed the checkpoint and denied entry of residents and reopened it at a later time.
- Raids: At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the area of Um Rukba in the town of Al-Khader and patrolled it until 15:45.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction ceased on the Sabbath in northwest of Beit Jala town.

• Closure:

- (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 villages.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the entrance Al-Fawwar camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 15:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the entrance of the village of Imreesh and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 17:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the area of Al Nabi Younis, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the North entrance of Hebron city and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 18:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Duma in the town of Al-Thahiriyye.
- (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Al-Thahiriyye and searched 5 commercial stores for car spare parts.
- <u>Setting Up Military Posts:</u> At 13:30, Israeli army set up a military watch tower southeast of the town of Yatta.

• Demonstrations:

At 13:20-20:00, Palestinians and international peace activists et out on a march on the agricultural land of the town of Beit 'Ummar near Karmy Tsur settlement in protest of settlers attacks and in order to enable Palestinian farmers reach their land and plough it. The Israeli assaulted protestors and fired tear gas bombs and injured several demonstrators.

Wall Construction: Wall construction ceased on the Sabbath in the area

Hebron

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, Israeli forces placed floating marks 3 miles from Gaza's seashore and warned fishermen against pass beyond the mark. Israeli forces broke the ceasefire by firing from the Green Line towards the Gaza Strip. Armed Palestinian groups broke the ceasefire by firing 3 projectiles towards the Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) is open for humanitarian assistance, journalists and international access. Palestinian Attacks: On the evening of 24.12.2011, Israeli forces fired 1 projectile towards the Green Line. 		
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. Al-Shija'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. 		
Khan Younis	Palestinian attacks: On the evening of 24.12.2011, armed groups fired 1 projectile towards the Green Line		
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is open for the entry of humanitarian supplies, cooking gas, 46 truckloads of livestock feed Al Awda crossing – Rafah was open for the exit of patients, students and passengers with permits. 		