# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00, 29 December 2009 – 08:00, 30 December 2009

# **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2		2	2 security officers attacked by settlers
Physical Assaults	4	_	4	Beating & causing fractures to 4 workers
Arrests (per person)	5		5	Incl. 3 in Qalqiliya & 1 in Jericho
Detentions	18		18	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	24	1	25	Incl. 4 in Tulkarm & 3 in Ramallah
Checkpoints	9		9	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	28		28	Incl. 1 in Tulkarm & 1 in Ramallah
Attacks	3	1	4	Incl. 1 by settlers & 1 in a raid
Air Patrol	_	1	1	Reconnaissance above Northern Gaza
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2		2	Incl. setting up a checkpoint near police
Attack on Property	1		1	Forcing owners of shops to close them
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	Incl. break windshields of police vehicle
Land Leveling	_	1	1	Agricultural land in Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	21		21	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7		7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	38		38	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 1 in Jenin
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings
Attack on Religious Site	1	_	1	Besiege mosque in N. Shams refugee camp
Settler Violence	5	_	5	Incl. stone vehicles in Jerusalem & Raml'h
Demonstrations	2	_	2	In Tulk. & Nablus in support of prisoners
TOTAL	171	10	181	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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# **WEST BANK**

Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and 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 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'. (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.  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. At 21:00, the Israeli army positioned in the periphery of the checkpoint opened fire towards a number of civilians under the pretext of throwing stones.  Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp and patrolled the area.  Settler Violence: At 11:45, a group of Israeli settlers stoned civilian vehicles travelling under the overpass leading to the town of Bir Nabala destroying the front windshield of a civil police vehicle and injuring a police officer.  Wall Gates: (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 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 Qatann
• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> : The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya.

	<ul> <li><u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Rima and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li><u>Raids</u>:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Arura.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Surda.</li> <li>(iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Ur Al Foqa where confrontations took place with civilians.</li> <li>Settler Violence: At 09:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>of Pesagot stoned civilian vehicles travelling near the settlement east of El Bireh city.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
TOUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, east of the city of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh and the road connecting the town of Kafr Al Labad to the village of Shofeh.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. At 20:40, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint and prevented civilian access. The Israeli army reopened the checkpoint at a later time.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 16:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Ramin and offered a number of civilians to work as collaborators with the Israeli Intelligence agency.</li> <li>At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road connecting the towns of Deir Al Ghusun and Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 10:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Zeita and Attil until 12:55.</li> <li>At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Jarushiya.</li> <li>At 05:10, the Israeli army raided Nur Shams refugee camp in Tulkarm city, besieged a mosque and detained worshippers after performing the</li> </ol> </li></ul>
	Fajr (dawn) prayer as they were leaving the mosque, checked their IDs and took their mobile numbers and withdrew at 06:20.

- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 16:40, a group of Israeli settlers gathered near the junction leading to the town of Beit Lid forcing civilians to take another road to avoid friction with the settlers.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 11:30, a sit in demonstration took place in the city of Tulkarm opposite the ICRC in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: 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.
- <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. At 08:30, the Israeli army erected an iron gate on the road connecting the town of Azzun and the village of Izbat At Tabib.

# • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the town of Azzun.
- (ii) At 13:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Azzun and the village of Izbat At Tabib.
- (iii) At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Kafr Qaddum and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 19:05, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Jit and Jinsafut.

#### Raids:

# (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun and arrested 2 children under the pretext of throwing stones. Again at 17:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.

(i) At 13:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qaddum, arrested a civilian, detained 4 civilians and released them at a later time and withdrew at 15:50.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Azzun the civilians Bilal Saleem Radwan, 16-year-old, and Ahmad Abdullateef Said Abu Naniyeh, 16-year-old.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the village of Kafr Qaddum the civilian Hikmat Abed Hasan Abu Khaled.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab'a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located south of Qalqiliya city.

#### **QALQILYA**

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Duma, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrances to the town of Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village, opposite Shavi 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.

## • Flying Checkpoints:

(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Nablus – Ramallah road near the village of Kafr Qalil and searched civilians and vehicles.

# (ii) At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya. Again at 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.

- (iii) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Einabus and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00.
- (iv) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf (on Nablus Tulkarm main road) and prevented civilian access under the pretext that groups of settlers are gathering on the road. The Israeli army removed the checkpoint at 19:40.
- (v) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Qusra and Jalud and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vi) At 21:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the town of Beita and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 15:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus.
- (ii) At 23:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Huwwara and forces owners of shops located at the sides of the main road in the middle of the town to close them
- (iii) At 07:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Aqraba and patrolled and patrolled the area.

# **NABLUS**

	• <u>Demonstration</u> : At 11:30, a sit in demonstration took place in the city of Nablus opposite the ICRC in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release.
SALFIT	<ul> <li>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 and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raid: At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Hares, served summon to the civilian Iyhab Ya'koub Sultan to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 01:30.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks.</li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Auja.</li> <li>At 02:10, the Israeli army raided Ein As Sultan refugee camp in the city of Jericho, served summon to 14-year-old child Salem Issa Manasreh to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 04:00.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in Ein As Sultan refugee camp in the city of Jericho the civilian Munir Fuad Ibrahim As-Sarfandi.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town.</li> </ul>

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Taqu'a and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 12:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem). Again at 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Al Walaja and severely beat 4 civilian workers causing 3 workers fractures in their legs and contusions. Consequently, they were evacuated to hospital for medical treatment. The Israeli army also arrested a civilian.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a flying checkpoint and searched a carpenter's workshop.
- (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Husan.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested near the village of Al Walaja the civilian Fayez Fouzi Abu 'Arra.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 13:15, Israeli settler from the settlement of Bat 'Ayin opened fire indiscriminately towards a number of civilians while on their land in the village of Al Jab'a. As a result, the Palestinian National Security officer Nabil Ibrahim Hamdan sustained injury. Consequently, he was evacuated to an Israeli hospital for treatment. The Israeli army also intervened and detained 7 civilians, including a Presidential Guard officer, and released them at a later time.
- <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 also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.

(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the area located near the Green Line, south of Yatta town, evacuating the area of those inside it and denying them access to it.

# • 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

# **HEBRON**

- 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 traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.
- (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.

## • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town of Tarqumiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:45.
- (ii) At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the civil police station in the old city of Hebron and detained a number of civilians and released them at a later time.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided Al Arrub refugee camp and searched 2 houses.
- (ii) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a flying checkpoint and patrolled the area. Again at 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 19:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tarqumiya.
- (iv) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town and patrolled the area.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 14:00, the Israeli army detained near Al Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron the Palestinian National Security officer Malek Abdulmajeed Hamdan and released him at a later time following after serving him with a summon to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 08:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Nogohot closed the main road that leads to the town of Beit 'Awa. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and evacuated the settlers from the area at 14:00.
- <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 raiding Palestinian territory and opening fire intensively in Northern Gaza district.

# NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
- Raid: At 11:30, the Israeli army, including a number of tanks, armored vehicles and bulldozers, covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided 300 meters deep east of Beit Hanun town, opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses and leveled areas of agricultural land.

# GAZA

- Closure of Crossing Points:
- (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.
- (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.

# CENTRAL GAZA

• Activities not reported.

# KHAN YOUNIS

• Activities not reported.

# RAFAH

- Closure of Crossing Points:
- (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.
- (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed.
- (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
- (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food, humanitarian assistance and cooking gas.

#### **GENERAL**

# POLITICAL PRISONERS

- <u>Prison Sentences</u>: The Israeli military court at Salem Military Camp issued sentences against the following political prisoners: Thaer Ahmad Rahabneh from Tulkarm refugee camp to 11 years in prison; Ahmad Nazmi Dhumairi from Tulkarm refugee camp to 13 years in prison; and Abdulkareem Zahi As-Sa'di from the city of Jenin to 15 months in prison and a fine of 6000 shekel (equivalent to \$1500).
- Abuse of Political Prisoner: The family of political prisoner Abdulrahman Adnan Abu Khaled from the town of Birqin in the district of Jenin, who is detained in Megiddo prison, appealed to human rights institutions and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) to intervene to save the life of their imprisoned son who suffers from an illness called (Bahjat), which is a serious illness if not treated (symptoms of this illness start with mouth ulcers, inflammations in the eyes leading to blindness, skin patches in the body and clots in the veins). The prison administration refuses to provide him with the required medical treatment. The family of Abu Khaled held the Israeli authorities fully responsible for the life of their son.