

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 February 2006 – 08:00 04 February 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Civilians severely beaten, Shu'fat RC
Injuries	5	—	5	Incl. 2 children
Attacks	4	25	29	Incl. 57 artillery shells fired
Raids	10	—	10	Incl. 2 in Nablus & 4 in Bethlehem
Arrests	6	—	6	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Detentions	10	—	10	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Incl. fruit-bearing trees damaged
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a mil. post in Hebron
Flying Checkpoints	5	—	5	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 2 in Jenin
Closure of Checkpoints	2	—	2	Incl. 'Einav checkpoint, Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	7	1	8	Incl. the city of Jerusalem partially
Closure of Main Roads	18	—	18	Incl. southern entrance to Balata RC
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun & Rafah partially
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. barrels stolen in Salfit
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	15	17	Incl. shelling near security locations
Demonstrations	2	—	2	In Shu'fat RC & Bil'in against Wall
TOTAL	77	46	123	

DISTRICT	EVENT
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and in the area surrounding Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians under 45 years of age from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque to perform Friday prayers. • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and Beit Iksa checkpoints and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to ‘Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba’ road, the area of Al ‘Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, around the settlement of Ma’ale Adumim, and west of the village of Al Jib. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to ‘Atarot Industrial Zone in Dahiyat ar Ram and searched civilian vehicles. • <u>Demonstration/Physical Assault:</u> A mass demonstration took place in Shu’fat refugee camp in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child and severely beat a number of civilian protestors.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni’lin, Bil’in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of ‘Abud. • <u>Raids:</u> At 10:10, and again at 22:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. • <u>Arrest:</u> On 02 February 2006, the Israeli army arrested Nathem Khalil Hjeiji, a Palestinian National Security officer, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence Service. • <u>Demonstration:</u> A mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil’in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors.

<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint south of the town of Qabatiya and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint south of the town of Tubas and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Jenin. • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas arrested Mohammed Tawfeeq Sawaftah.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of 'Einav on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and to deny access to civilian vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILIYA</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 the eastern entrance to the town of 'Azzun with dirt barricades. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the unpaved detour road connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib with dirt barricades. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours. (ii) At 00:50, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik and denied access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus and searched civilian vehicles. • <u>Raids/Closure of Main Road:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, Israeli Special Force troops, disguised in a civilian vehicle, raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. (ii) At 00:25, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided Balata refugee camp. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. The Israeli army also closed the southern entrance to the refugee camp with dirt barricades. • <u>Arrests:</u> At 10:55, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested 2 civilians, claiming that they were in possession of 2 explosive belts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Issam Mazen Halaweh; and (ii) Baha' as Sourakji. • <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 06:30, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint detained the Commander of the Palestinian National Security forces in the area of Salfit for 2 hours despite prior coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) to allow him to cross to the city of Ramallah.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours, impeding civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. • <u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:</u> A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Revava stole barrels used for protecting fruit-bearing seedlings on civilian land near the settlement. Israeli settlers also set fire to a large number of fruit bearing trees.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army prevents farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for Jerusalem and Jericho ID holders.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus, impeding civilian access.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the settler bypass road adjacent to 'Ush Ghurab military post and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Destruction of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and Ad Duheisha refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in Ad Duheisha refugee camp, during which the Israeli army injured 4 civilians, including 1 child. The Israeli army also searched 4 flats in a building in the city of Bethlehem, damaging furniture. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer and withdrew at 01:00. (iii) At 22:40, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya, searched 2 houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 03:00. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Nizar Khalil S'oud, a Palestinian Police officer, in the city of Bethlehem. (ii) The Israeli army arrested 'Aref Ahmed al Wahsh in the town of 'Ubeidiya.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access

	<p>permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances to the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul, the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin, and the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron. The Israeli army has also continued to close with dirt barricades the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron and the entrance to the town of Idhna.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close all entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp with cement blocks.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'. • <u>Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and took position near 1 Palestinian National Security patrol, while it was guarding the offices of the Temporary International Presence in Hebron (TIPH). The Israeli army also patrolled several neighbourhoods. • <u>House Occupation:</u> The Israeli army continues to implement Military Order # T/02/05 to seize control of the roof of 1 house in the city of Hebron and to use it as a military point from 29 December 2005 until 11 February 2006.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip, ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line. The Israeli army has prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the areas of evacuated settlements, in the district of Northern Gaza. Prior to imposing the buffer zone, Israeli army combat aircrafts dropped flyers warning that civilians would put their lives in danger if they enter the designated area. • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases only.

- **Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:**

- (i) At 17:20, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory 150 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location south of the debris of the evacuated settlement of Nisanit northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (ii) At 17:55, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory 150 metres away from 2 Palestinian National Security locations near the debris of the evacuated settlements of Dugit and Nisanit northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (iii) At 17:55, the Israeli army fired 4 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory, of which 3 landed on 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Eli Sinai north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (iv) At 18:15, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Nisanit northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (v) At 19:05, the Israeli army fired 4 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory 150 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement Eli Sinai north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (vi) At 19:25, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Dugit northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (vii) At 19:40, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (viii) At 19:55, the Israeli army fired 1 artillery shell from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory 20 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Eli Sinai north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (ix) At 20:00, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory 50 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Eli Sinai north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (x) At 20:45, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Eli Sinai north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (xi) At 20:50, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory 150 away from 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Eli Sinai north of the town of Beit Lahiya. At 20:55, the Israeli army fired 1 more artillery shell.

	<p>(xii) At 21:00, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory northeast of the town of Beit Hanun.</p> <p>(xiii) At 22:20, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 82 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory 100 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Dugit northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.</p> <p>(xiv) At 22:35, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya. At 00:05, the Israeli army fired 2 more artillery shells. At 04:50, the Israeli army fired 2 more shells.</p> <p>(xv) At 00:20, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory 100 metres away from 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Eli Sinai north of the town of Beit Lahiya. At 06:15, the Israeli army fired 2 more artillery shells.</p> <p>(xvi) At 01:45, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Dugit northwest of the town Jabalya.</p> <p>(xvii) At 01:50, the Israeli army fired 1 artillery shell from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory northeast of the town of Beit Hanun. At 04:35, the Israeli army fired 2 more artillery shells.</p> <p>(xviii) At 07:20, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory near 3 Palestinian National Security locations near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Nisanit northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.</p> <p>(xix) At 07:30, the Israeli army fired 4 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory near 2 Palestinian National Security locations near the debris of the evacuated settlement of Dugit northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.</p> <p>(xx) At 07:45, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya.</p>
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>West Bank:</u> The Israeli authorities renewed 4,712 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown.• <u>Gaza Strip:</u> The Israeli authorities renewed 5,167 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, none of the workers possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.
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