

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 8 February 2004 – 08:00 9 February 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassination	—	1	<b>1</b>	Yest. morn, Al Salaam, Gaza
Death	—	1	<b>1</b>	17 year old child
Physical Assaults	5	—	<b>5</b>	By Israeli soldiers
Injuries	1	15	<b>16</b>	Incl. 5 child. btwn. 7-17 yrs.
Air Attack	—			
Attacks	7	5	<b>12</b>	Incl. 1 tank shell
Raids	12	2	<b>14</b>	
Air Patrols	4	2	<b>6</b>	Reconnaissance & helicopters
Arrests (per person)	6	—	<b>6</b>	Incl. Pal. Nat. Security officer
Detentions	1	1	<b>2</b>	
Land Leveling	1	—	<b>1</b>	150 dunums of olive groves
Separation Wall. Const.	4	—	<b>4</b>	Jer., Jenin & 2 areas in Ram.
Destruction of Property	1	—	<b>1</b>	Destruction of house door
Curfew	1	—	<b>1</b>	
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	6	—	<b>6</b>	
Closures (per District)	2	1	<b>3</b>	Incl. Jer., Al Walaja & Kh. Y.
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	<b>Most</b>	Esp. roads conn. governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	All	—	<b>All</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	2	<b>2</b>	1 Partially open to workers
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	Conf. with civilians
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>82</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
<b>WEST BANK</b>	
<b>JERUSALEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army prevented civilians from other districts from entering Jerusalem. The Israeli authorities continue to intensify restrictions on movement at the entrances of the city and its neighborhoods.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the separation wall in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis and Al Sawahira continues.</li> </ul>
<b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of 'Ein Arik and obstructed movement of traffic.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Construction of the western portion of the separation wall in Budrus and Rantis continues.</li> <li>(ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army began installing a barbed wire fence as part of the separation wall beginning at the settlement of Huron, on land belonging to the village of Beit Ur al Foqa, extending to the north and west, separating the villages of Safa and Bil'in, and continuing west towards the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Tubas/Wadi al Badhan road and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction in the northern valleys (Bardala, and 'Ein al Beida) and east of Tubas (Al Mutilla, Al Mughayyir, the outskirts of Raba, and Al Buqei' plateau) continues.</li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 20:30, the Israeli army opened fire towards the area between the towns of Silat al Harithiya and Al Yamun.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested Samir Abdul Karim at a flying checkpoint on the Tubas/Wadi al Badhan road.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not yet reported.</li> </ul>

<p><b>BETHLEHEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The town of Al Walaja remains isolated due to the closure of the Beit Jala/Al Walaja road by dirt and rock mounds. Health facilities and food supplies are increasingly difficult to access.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 02:35, 10 Israeli jeeps raided the city of Beit Jala and Ayda refugee camp, searched several houses in Al Duheisha refugee camp and detained 2 civilians.</li> <li>• <b>Physical Assault:</b> At 02:30, Israeli soldiers severely beat 5 civilians in the area of Jabal Abu Ghuneim.</li> <li>• <b>Air Patrol:</b> At 11:50, 3 helicopters patrolled the skies over the district.</li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> Israeli settlers attempted to confiscate land belonging to the town of Tuqu', leading to confrontations with Palestinian civilians.</li> </ul>
<p><b>TULKAREM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Far'un, searched vehicles, examined passenger IDs and obstructed movement of traffic.</li> <li>(ii) At 08:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the town of Bal'a, searched and detained civilians.</li> <li>(iii) At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Al Jarushiya, searched and detained civilians.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Land Leveling:</b> At 12:00, Israeli bulldozers, supported by the Israeli army, leveled 150 <i>dunums</i> (37.5 acres) of olive groves on land belonging to Kafr al Labad.</li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:40, and again at 18:10, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from the area of the DCO towards civilian houses in the western neighborhood of Tulkarem city.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:10, an Israeli army tank, positioned near the separation wall surrounding Dahiyat Shuweika, opened indiscriminate fire towards a number of children.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:15, 3 Israeli tanks raided the city of Tulkarem. At 02:10, a jeep took position near Al Muqata'a.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Abbush.</li> <li>(iii) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided and took position in the southern part of Tulkarem city.</li> <li>(iv) At 02:00, the Israel army raided the city of Tulkarem, took position at the northern entrance, opened indiscriminate fire and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(v) At 02:05, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, took position in the center of the refugee camp, opened intensive fire, used explosives to break through several houses before searching them, injured Majid Abdul Hattab, a Palestinian National Security officer and arrested 3 of his brothers.</p> <p>(vi) At 02:20, several Israeli jeeps surrounded Tulkarem Hospital.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Air Patrols:</u></b></li> </ul> <p>(i) At 08:10, and again at 13:30, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the city.</p> <p>(ii) At 21:00, Israeli military aircraft patrolled the skies over the city.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b></li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Tulkarem refugee camp:</p> <p>(i) Walid Khattab;</p> <p>(ii) Khaled Khattab; and</p> <p>(iii) Talib Khattab.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in Tulkarem city:</p> <p>(iv) Raja' Al Jaber (holder of an Israeli ID card).</p>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Kafr Qaddum and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b><u>Separation Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Al Madani, a Palestinian Joint Patrol officer.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b></li> </ul> <p>(i) At 20:45, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Turmus'ayya, opened indiscriminate fire and imposed curfew.</p> <p>(ii) At 21:45, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit and fired tear gas grenades.</p>

## GAZA STRIP

<p><b>NORTHERN GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Erez crossing was partially open to workers.</li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 21:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 90 towards 2 civilians who were in close proximity to the wall.</li> </ul>
<p><b>GAZA CITY</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.</li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 10:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired 1 tank shell near the area of Abu Jaba on the Karnei/Nitsareem road.</li> </ul>
<p><b>CENTRAL GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> At 10:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 4 towards the east of Al Bureij refugee camp, killing 1 child.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 21:00, an Israeli tank from the settlement of Gosh Kateef entered 100 meters into Palestinian Territory near a Palestinian National Security location, opened fired at 1 vehicle and detained 4 civilians.</li> <li>• <b>Air Patrol:</b> At 21:00, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the area located east of the settlement of Nitsareem.</li> <li>• <b>Killing:</b> The Israeli army killed Ali Abu Riziq, 17 years old.</li> </ul>
<p><b>KHAN YUNIS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Khan Yunis/Al Mawasi road remains closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 18:00, the Israeli army, supported by helicopters, raided the neighborhood of Al Salaam, opened intensive fire and injured 15 civilians, including 5 children.</li> <li>• <b>Injuries:</b> The Israeli army injured 15 civilians in Al Salaam neighborhood, including 5 children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ahmad Barakat, 15 years old;</li> <li>(ii) Yasir Abu Sabika, 12 years old;</li> <li>(iii) Talal Hamad, 16 years old;</li> <li>(iv) Tamir Faraj, 17 years old; and</li> <li>(v) Ibrahim Abu Hasanein, 7 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**WORK PERMITS**

<b>WEST BANK</b>	Permits were approved for 5,325 workers. However, the exact number of workers who received the permits and crossed the Green Line is not available. (i) Permits were issued to civilians over the age of 35 who are married with children. (ii) Permits were only issued to workers in the agricultural sector.
<b>GAZA STRIP</b>	Permits were issued to 9,660 workers, 58% of a total of 16,820 workers. (i) 6,228 workers crossed the Green Line into Israel, 52% of a total of 11,805 workers. (ii) 3,432 workers entered the Erez Industrial Area, 69% of a total of 5,015 workers.