

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 February 2005 – 08:00 15 February 2005

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 child in the city of Hebron
Attacks	4	7	<b>11</b>	Incl. 1 during a raid & 8 from posts
Raids	12	—	<b>12</b>	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem and 5 in Hebron
Deportation	*	—	—	3 families transferred from their land
Arrests (per person)	4	—	<b>4</b>	Incl. 1 Palestinian Police officer
Detentions	3	1	<b>4</b>	At checkpoints
House Demolition	1	—	<b>1</b>	In Beit Hanina in Jerusalem
Land Levelling	1	—	<b>1</b>	In the village of Mas'ha
Wall Construction	20	—	<b>20</b>	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	2	—	<b>2</b>	Incl. 40 olive trees uprooted
Checkpoints	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	11	—	<b>11</b>	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 2 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	—	<b>6</b>	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(10)	—	Incl. 3 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Incl. restrictions at Azzun Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	<b>4</b>	Incl. 3 partially open
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	Civilians verbally abused
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	<b>1</b>	Open fire towards 1 Pal patrol
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>79</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat.</li> <li>• On 12 February 2005, the Israeli army lifted the closure imposed on the Gaza Strip districts and allowed a number of construction workers possessing new work permits to enter the Industrial Zones and the Green Line.</li> </ul>
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya.</li> <li>• <b>Checkpoints:</b> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints, obstructing civilian movement.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 15:25, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Rafat. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>• <b>House Demolition:</b> The Israeli army demolished a 300m<sup>2</sup> house under construction in the town of Beit Hanina north of the city of Jerusalem.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 16:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dura Al Qar', set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Dibwan, set up a checkpoint, halted school students, and examined their IDs.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and arrested 2 civilians.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Silwad: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Mustafa Mousa Abdul Halim; and</li> <li>(ii) Rami Nabil Ahmed.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians</li> </ul>

	<p>granted special Israeli permits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>• <b>Checkpoints:</b> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and detained dozens of civilians for several hours.</li> <li>• <b>Destruction of Property:</b> The Israeli army prevented farmers whose land is located behind the Wall from ploughing their land, thereby causing damages to civilian property.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav gate, which controls the road between the cities of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Baqa Ash Sharqiya, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 17:00.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the town of Bal'a and the village of Zeita and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the gate to the village of Kafr Qaddum and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village, except at specific times.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun, searched civilians and vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Baqa Al Hatab, fired sound grenades, and patrolled the area.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> An Israeli settler attempted, during the presence of the Israeli army, to attack a number of civilians from the village of Kafr Qaddum using a sharp tool. He also verbally abused and insulted them while they were waiting at the gate set up at the entrance to the village.</li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and patrolled several neighbourhoods until 03:00.</li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SALFIT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Deir Ballut along the Green Line.</li> <li>(ii) Based on claims filed by the Municipality of Salfit, Iskaka Village Council, and land owners, the Israeli Supreme Court issued a ruling to suspend land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka and north of the city of Salfit for a period of 21 days beginning on 10 February 2005.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Land Levelling:</u></b> The Israeli army levelled land parallel to the Wall in the village of Mas'ha, uprooting 40 olive trees.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERICHO</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army only permitted residents of the city of Jericho to enter the city.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BETHLEHEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HEBRON</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna, and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint in the area of An Nabi Yunis and another flying checkpoint between the towns of Tarqumiya and Idhna, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Attack:</u></b> At 11:30, the Israeli army opened fire towards, and killed, 1 child for allegedly attempting to stab an Israeli soldier in the old city of Hebron. The Israeli army detained the child's corpse.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Deportation:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Surif and arrested 1</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>civilian.</p> <p>(ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in Nimrah neighbourhood, and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Tha'laba, which is located between the settlements of Karmi'el and Ma'on, and distributed notices to transfer 3 families who reside in caves and make-shift homes in the village on a seasonal basis.</p> <p>(v) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Sa'ir.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Killing:</u></b> The Israeli army killed 15-year-old Sabri Fayeze Ar Rujoub in the old city of Hebron.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b></li> </ul> <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Mousa Humeidat in the town of Surif.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Isma'il Abu Zahrah, a Palestinian Police officer, in the town of Yatta.</p>
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### GAZA STRIP

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.</li> <li>• <b><u>Attacks:</u></b></li> </ul> <p>(i) At 08:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 40 and 52 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun.</p> <p>(ii) At 09:35, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 42 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun.</p>
<b>GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b></li> </ul> <p>(i) Nitsareem junction remains closed.</p> <p>(ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed.</p>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not reported.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b></li> </ul> <p>(i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</p> <p>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</p> <p>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open.</p> <p>(iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 07:30, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement. At 08:00, the road was reopened.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(v) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed.</li> <li>(vi) The road from Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed.</li> <li>(vii) Morag road connecting Khan Yunis eastern and western roads is closed.</li> <li>• <b><u>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:45, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at At Tuffah checkpoint towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) At 19:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 14 towards 1 Palestinian National Security patrol in the area of Batn As Samin.</li> <li>(iii) At 20:10, the Israeli army fired a number of flares in An Namsawi neighbourhood.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open to arrivals and departures over the age of 35 only.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</li> <li>(iv) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open to workers only.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Attacks:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Morag towards Palestinian territory west of the settlement.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its location along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards civilian houses in the neighbourhood of Yabna in refugee camp.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**GENERAL**

<b>WORK PERMITS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>West Bank:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli authorities renewed 9,878 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.</li> <li>(ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Gaza Strip:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli authorities renewed 459 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, the Israeli army allowed access only to 280 workers (approximately 61% of those possessing new permits).</li> <li>(ii) Israeli authorities renewed 804 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line to work in the construction sector only. However, the Israeli army allowed access only to 203 construction workers (approximately 26% of those possessing new permits).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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