

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 15 February 2004 – 08:00 16 February 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	1	1	By suffocation, Erez Crossing
Physical Assault	—	1	1	Beating of ISM activists, Gaza
Attacks	1	8	9	Incl. Pal. National Sec. post
Raids	11	—	11	
Arrests (per person)	3	—	3	
Separation Wall Const.	1	—	1	Jer. & Ram. susp.due to snow
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	7	—	7	
Closures (per District)	1	1	2	Incl. Mawassi, Kh. Y. & Jer.
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	All	—	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	1 Partially open to workers
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Kidnapping of 15 year old boy
School Disruption	8	—	8	Incl. 5 schools closed
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	1 Mortar towards Green Line
TOTAL	33	16	49	

DISTRICT	EVENT
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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 neighbourhoods. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints at the entrance to the village of Jib and another on the Bir Nabala road, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the separation wall in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis and Al Sawahira was suspended due to a snowstorm.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the separation wall in Budrus and Rantis was suspended due to a snowstorm. • Raid: At 10:10, several Israeli jeeps raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh and the town of Beituniya and patrolled the main streets for several hours.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separation Wall Gates: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army prevented 3 teachers from crossing the Barta'a separation wall gate in order to reach their school in Barta'a al Sharqiya, located on the other side of the separation wall. • Separation Wall Construction: 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. • Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Jaba', searched several houses and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested Bassam Jarrar, 45 years old, in the town of Jaba'.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.

BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 06:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance of Beit Sahur al Sharqiya. • <u>School Disruption:</u> Classes were suspended in 5 schools because students and teachers were not able to reach their schools due to an Israeli imposed curfew over the southern villages of Marah Ma'alla, Jora ash Sham'a, Um Salamuna, Al Ma'sara and Khallet Haddad.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road between Bal'a and Deir Ghusun, searched vehicles, examined passenger IDs and obstructed the movement of civilians. (ii) At 09:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the dirt road between the towns of Al Jarushiya and Bal'a. (iii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Nur Shams refugee camp, searched vehicles, examined passenger IDs and obstructed the movement of traffic. (iv) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road between Deir Ghusun and Bal'a, searched vehicles and harassed civilian. • <u>Separation Wall Gates:</u> 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. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:10, 2 Israeli tanks raided the town of Attil, took position inside the town and opened indiscriminate fire. (ii) At 22:00, 3 Israeli jeeps raided the village of Far'un. (iii) At 22:20, several Israeli jeeps raided the city of Tulkarem and took position in its main neighbourhoods before withdrawing at 06:00.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> The Israeli army raided the village of Qusin and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Samir ad Dik in the village of Qusin. • <u>School Disruption:</u> The Israeli army prevented 47 teachers from reaching their schools at the checkpoints of Azmut and Beit Dajan.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Separation Wall Gates:</u> 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 13:00, several Israeli jeeps raided the southern neighbourhood of the city of Qalqilya and arrested 1 civilian travelling home from work. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ala' Abu Seneina, 19 years old, in the city of Qalqilya.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: Israeli Settlers from the settlement of Yitshar kidnapped a 15 year old boy, Mahmoud Yusif Al Safadi, a resident of the village of 'Urif, while he was playing near the settlement. The boy was able to escape at 11:45. • Raid: At 18:00, 4 Israeli jeeps raided the city of Salfit.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Erez crossing was partially open to workers. • Killing: At 06:00, due to Israeli restrictions placed on Palestinian workers entering the Green Line through the Beit Hanoun crossing (Erez), a 41 year old man, Muhammad al Sheikh, died of suffocation due to overcrowding at the crossing. Other injuries were also reported. • Physical Assault: The Israeli army beat a number of activists from the International Solidarity Movement at the Beit Hanoun crossing and prevented them from entering the Gaza Strip. • Palestinian Attack: At 14:00, 1 Qassam mortar was fired from the outskirts of the town of Beit Lahia towards the Green Line.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. (ii) Al Muntar crossing is closed. • Attack: At 20:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards the Palestinian National Security headquarters near Al Muntar crossing and at Palestinian National Security personnel.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Khan Yunis/Al Mawasi road remains closed.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 12 towards Al Nimsawi neighbourhood. (ii) At 22:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its locations at Points 9, 10, and 12 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) The Sufa crossing is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 5 towards Palestinian Territory. (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its locations at Points 5, 6, and 8 towards Palestinian Territory. (iii) At 19:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the outskirts of the settlement of Morag towards Palestinian Territory.