مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 16 February 2010 – 08:00, 17 February 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Arrests (per person)	10	3	13	Incl. 60-year-old elder & university student
Detentions	13	_	13	Incl. security officer at Allenby Crossing
Raids	31	2	33	Incl. 1 in Northern Gaza & 1 in C. Gaza
Checkpoints	9	_	9	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13		13	Incl. 3 in Nablus & 2 in Jenin
Attacks	1	2	3	3 attacks during raids
Confiscation of Property	1		1	A wood box & cart in Qalqiliya district
Land Leveling	_	1	1	Agriculture land in Central Gaza district
Wall Construction	22		22	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7		7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	40	_	40	Incl. 3 in Salfit & 1 in Jericho
Settler Violence	2		2	Incl. attacking a female child in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings only
TOTAL	149	13	162	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 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. 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 Qatanna, south of Beit Hanina village, and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. Raids: At 17:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Shuqba and searched a number of houses belonging to civilians. At 01:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Abu Qash and arrested a student from Bir Zeit University. Arrests: At 01:05, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on Ramallah city the civilian Mahmoud Al Eqid, as mentioned in yesterday's report.

	 (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the village of Abu Qash the civilian Saddam Riyadh Bajes, 20-year-old. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the towns and villages of 'Abud and Bil'in, and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba that is located east of the settlement of Dotan. Flying Checkpoint: At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Jaba' and the village of Sanur and searched civilians and vehicles. 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.
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. <u>Raid</u>: At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Tammun, stormed a number of houses belonging to civilians and arrested 2 civilians, including an elderly man. <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Tammun the civilians Ali Mahmoud Riziq Bani Odeh, 60-year-old, and Sa'd Ali Bani Odeh, 26-year-old.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr Al Labad and the village of Shofeh and the road between the village of Shofeh and the village of Izbat Shofeh. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. Raids: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Attil and patrolled the area. At 23:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarm and the neighborhood of Shuweika. 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.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoint: At 18:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the overpass leading to the town of Jayyus. Raids: At 17:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Azzun. Again at 21:30, the Israeli army raided the area.

- (ii) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, stormed a number of houses belonging to civilians, confiscated a wood box and a cart and arrested a civilian.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested in the city of Qalqiliya the civilian Jamal Al Harsh.
- <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.

• 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.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the road connecting the town of Aqraba to the village of Osarin.

• 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 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya.
- (iii) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the cities of Nablus and Tulkarm and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Furik.
- (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya and the village of Beit Imrin.

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	 (iii) At 00:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya. (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, patrolled the area and withdrew at 02:45. Settler Violence: At 15:00, a group of Israeli settlers protected by the Israeli army raided the area of As-Seirafi and the nearby village of Al Badhan.
SALFIT	 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Iskaka and served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. 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.
JERICHO	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. 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. Detention: At 19:30, the Israeli army detained at Al Karama (Allenby) Crossing the Palestinian General Intelligence officer Abdulrahman Ali Yousef Tayyem who was traveling to Jordan. The Israeli army released him at a later time.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: 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 continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town and the agricultural road that is located between the town of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access.

•	Flying Checkpoint: At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint
	near the area of Qaber Hilwa on the road connecting the districts of
	Bethlehem and Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 11:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Jab'a, stormed the town's school, opened fire and fired stun grenades and threatened to shut down the school if stones are thrown again from the school towards the main road.
- (ii) At 19:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Husan and detained a civilian and his vehicle near the village mosque. Again at 23:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and checked the IDs of civilians in a passing vehicle.
- <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 continues to close the entrance to al Laban Market by iron boards. 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 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.

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• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Zeid Petrol Station in the area of Ras Al Jora in the city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Al Fahs near the town of Yatta and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 21:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bani Na'im and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army raided the area of Wadi Abu Katila in the city of Hebron and stormed a commercial shop. Again at 13:25, the Israeli army raided the area.
- (ii) At 20:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (iii) At 22:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Halhul.
- (iv) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (v) At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir and arrested 3 civilians (including 2 brothers).
- (vi) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested a civilian. Again at 06:50, the Israeli army raided the area and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence authority in the settlement of Etzion.
- (vii) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tarqumiya.

• Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Sa'ir the civilians Majdi and Fuad Ya'koub Jaradat and Said Shalish.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Dura the civilian Abdulrahman Al Fasfous.
- (iii) At 08:00, the Israeli army arrested school teacher Jihad Issa Shabaneh who teaches at Tarek Bin Ziyad School in the city of Hebron.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 06:40, a group of Israeli settlers in the old city of Hebron severely beat female child Madlen Emad Awni. As a result, she sustained contusions and evacuated to hospital for treatment.
- Wall Construction: 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 and Central Gaza districts.

Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. Raid: An Israeli army special force, including a number of armored **NORTHERN** vehicles, raided the debris of the evacuated settlement of Dogit, northwest of Beit Lahiya town, opened fire towards 3 civilians and **GAZA** arrested them. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested northwest of Beit Lahiya town 3 unknown civilians. **Closure of Crossing Points**: Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (i) **GAZA** Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since (ii) 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. Raid: An Israeli army special force, including 6 armored vehicles and 3 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory east of Deir Al Balah city, **CENTRAL** opened fire indiscriminately towards civilian houses and leveled areas **GAZA** of land. **KHAN** Activities not reported. **YOUNIS Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. (ii) **RAFAH** Sufa Crossing is closed. (iii) (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food and humanitarian assistance.