# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

### **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 31 December 2003 – 08:00 01 January 2004

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	_	1	16 year old child
Injuries	64	2	66	Incl. 6 children, 1 critical
Physical Assault	1	_	1	Students beaten & tied to tree
Incursion	1	_	1	Nablus and its refugee camps
Attacks	4	7	11	
Raids	31	3	34	
Air Patrols	2	2	4	
Deportation	1	_	1	Palestinian prisoner to Gaza
Arrests (per person)	29	3	32	Incl. 7 officers
Detentions	3	_	3	Incl. over 150 civil. in Nablus
Land Leveling	1	1	2	
Separation Wall Construct.	4	_	4	Ramallah, Salfit, Jenin & Jer.
House Demolitions	3	8	11	Incl. 1 partially demolished
Destruction of Property	3	_	3	Incl. operating room in hosp.
House Occupations	5	_	5	Converted to military posts
Curfews	12	_	12	
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	3	_	3	
Closures (per District)	4	_	4	Incl. area of 10s of villages
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	_	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	2	2	1 Partially open to workers
Attack on Hospital	1	_	1	Anglican hosp., Nablus
School Disruption	Many	_	Many	Due to strict closures
Settlement Activity	1		1	
Demonstration	1	_	1	Against separation wall
Palestinian Attacks		4	4	4 mortars towards Green Line
TOTAL	175	32	207	

DISTRICT EVENT
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to residents from other districts. The Israeli army continues to impose a strict closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.</li> <li><u>Separation Wall Construction</u>: Construction of the separation wall continues in Al Shayyah, Abu Dis, and Al Sawahira.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Separation Wall Construction: The area located between Ni'lin and Budrus remains a closed military zone. The Israeli army continues to impose curfew over villages in the area and Israeli bulldozers continue to uproot olive trees for construction of the separation wall.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 11:55, an Israeli jeep raided the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>At 15:00, an Israeli jeep raided the town of Deir Ghassana</li> <li>At 00:15, 25 Israeli jeeps raided Ramallah and Al Bireh city, positioned themselves on the main roads in the city, and withdrew at 04:00.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Settlement Activity: The Israeli authorities continue to fence the parameters of the settlement of Hallamish. The fence cuts into land belonging to residents of the neighboring village of Deir Nidham.</li> <li>Demonstration: For the second consecutive day, civilians from the village of Budrus defied an Israeli imposed curfew and held a demonstration with Israeli and international peace activists in an attempt to stop leveling of their land. The Israeli army fired towards the demonstration and injured 40 civilians.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>Closure: The city of Jenin remains a closed military area.</li> <li>Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through the gates, particularly in areas located behind the separation wall.</li> <li>Separation Wall Construction:         <ul> <li>The Israeli army continues to level land north of the village of Bardala in preparation for construction of the eastern portion of the separation wall.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	(ii) The Israeli army continues to level land and destroy water cisterns near the village of Raba.
	<ul> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 08:00, several Israeli jeeps raided the village of Jalbun, imposed curfew, searched several houses, destroyed personal belongings in civilian houses and arrested 4 brothers, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer and 1 child.</li> <li>The Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun, searched several houses and arrested 2 brothers.</li> <li>At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Sanur, occupied 1 civilian house and converted it into a military post.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Arrests: <ol> <li>The Israeli army arrested 4 brothers in the village of Jalbun:</li> <li>Firas Abu Rub, 30 years old;</li> <li>Fahim Abu Rub, 28 years old;</li> <li>Nafe' Abu Rub, 23 years old, Palestinian National Security officer; and</li> <li>Khaled Abu Rub, 17 years old.</li> </ol> </li> <li>The Israeli army arrested 2 brothers in the town of Al Yamun: <ol> <li>Yusif Hushiya; and</li> <li>Nidal Hushiya.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JERICHO	<u>Arrest</u> : At 14:40, the Israeli army, positioned at the city's southern checkpoint, arrested Karim al Shami, a Palestinian police officer from Gaza City serving in Jericho.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: The northern and southern entrances of the city remain closed, cutting Bethlehem off from the Hebron district in the south and from its southern villages.</li> <li>Attack: At 11:15, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire towards students in the town of Al Khadr and injured 5 students, all under the age of 16, with rubber coated steel bullets.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army closed the Enav iron gate and Al Kafriyat separation wall gate, which separate Tulkarem from the districts of Qalqiliya and Nablus.</li> <li>Separation Wall Gates: The Israeli army prevented medical teams from crossing the separation wall gates and reaching their clinics in the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya and the village of Nazlat Isa, located behind the separation wall, and prevented ambulances and Ministry of Health vehicles transporting medicine from entering the area.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up several checkpoints south of</li> </ul>

Tulkarem city, at the Al Jarushiya junction and at the entrance to Beit Lid. **Raids:** (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the southern area of the city, detained 3 civilians for several hours, and arrested 1 of the detained civilians. At 09:00, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps and 3 APCs, raided the (ii) center of the city and arrested 2 civilians. At 20:00, an Israeli army patrol raided Dahiyet Irtah and the village of (iii) Far'un. At 02:00 an Israeli army patrol raided the eastern area of the city. (iv) **Air Patrol:** At 08:20, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the city. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Tulkarem: Samer Miskawi, 20 years old, from Tulkarem refugee camp; (i) Abdallah Al Jallad, 23 years old; and (ii) (iii) Hikmat Abu Safaqa, 24 years old. Closure: Nablus remains a closed military area. **Incursion:** After temporarily evacuating the city for several hours, the Israeli army reinvaded Nablus, imposed curfew over its central and western neighborhoods and Beit 'Ein al Ma' refugee camp, searched houses, opened fire, fired tear gas grenades towards residents and arrested 3 civilians, including a Palestinian Preventive Security officer. Raids: (i) At 16:45, the Israeli army raided the Anglican Hospital, cut the hospital's phone lines, broke down doors, detained all medical staff in 1 room, destroyed an operating room, and searched the entire hospital. At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Osarin, imposed (ii) **NABLUS** curfew and opened intensive fire at civilians, injuring 1 child, who was arrested and died a few hours later. At 22:10, the Israeli army raided the old city of Nablus, demolished 2 (iii) houses and partially destroyed another, occupied several civilian apartment buildings, evacuated approximately 150 civilians and converted the buildings into military posts. The Israeli army raided dozens of houses in the center of the city and (iv) opened fire towards civilians, injuring 19 civilians, including 1 child who sustained critical injuries. The Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp and arrested 4 civilians. (v) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Yatma, searched (vi) several houses and arrested 3 civilians, including 2 brothers. The Israeli army raided the village of Madama, imposed curfew and (vii) warned 1 family that their house would be demolished in 48 hours. The Israeli army raided the village of Burga, imposed curfew, (viii) searched several houses and evacuated students from their schools. The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik, searched several (ix)

houses and arrested 1 civilian. Physical Assault: Israeli soldiers at a checkpoint on the Sarra junction severely beat several college students and handcuffed the students to trees. Killing: The Israeli army injured, arrested and killed 16-year-old Muhammad Hasan Adili. **Injury:** The Israeli army shot 16-year-old Amir Khreno in the head. Khreno remains in critical condition. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians from Nablus city: Anwar Musallamani, 45 years old, Palestinian Preventive Security (i) officer: (ii) Ghassan Abu Sharkh, 32 years old; and Jihad Abu Sharkh, 30 years old. (iii) The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians from the village of Yatma: Shadi Farid Snobar, 22 years old; (iv) (v) Muneer Snobar, 27 years old; and his brother Munthir Snobar, 23 years old. (vi) The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians from Balata refugee camp: (vii) Jabir Abu Hamid: Ahmad Marshud: (viii) Bassam Marshud: and (ix) (x) Ammar Tuqan. The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian from the town of Beit Furik: Amjad Muleitat, 18 years old. (xi) **School Disruption:** Due to the Israeli incursion and curfew imposed on the central and (i) western parts of the city, thousands of students were not able to attend Hundreds of teachers were unable to reach schools located in (ii) neighboring villages. **Land Leveling:** Israeli bulldozers continue to level land belonging to **HEBRON** Palestinian civilians near the settlements of Kirvat Arba and Harsina in order to expand and build a wall around the two settlements. **Separation Wall Gates:** Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education **QALQILYA** process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through the gates, particularly in areas located behind the separation wall. **Raid:** At 18:10, the Israeli army raided the city, searched 1 home, arrested 1 civilian and confiscated his truck. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Wa'el Sweilam in Qalqilya.

	• Raids:		
	(i) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Biddya and the villages of Sarta and Qarawat Bani Hassan, imposed curfew, searched several houses and arrested 2 civilians, both Palestinian National Security officers.		
	(ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the cities of Salfit, Bruqin and Khirbet Qeis.		
	(iii) At 15:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Bruqin.		
	(iv) At 15:20, the Israeli army raided the cities of Salfit and Khirbet Qeis.		
	(v) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Rafat, imposed curfew,		
CALETT	searched houses and arrested 3 civilians, including a father and son.  (vi) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit, searched 2 houses		
SALFIT	and arrested 2 civilians, including a Palestinian Police officer.		
	• Air Patrol: At 15:10, the Israeli army patrolled the skies over the city		
	• Arrests:		
	The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from the town of Biddya:		
	(i) Osama Salih, Palestinian National Security officer; and		
	(ii) Farouq al Khatib, Palestinian National Security officer.		
	The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians from the village of Rafat:		
	(iii) Zahir Ayyash;		
	(iv) Raed Ayyash; and		
	(v) Muhammad Asba.		
	The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from the city of Salfit:		
	(vi) Hasan Fatuni, Palestinian Police officer; and		
	(vii) Rayiq Abdul Qader.		

## **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure: The Erez crossing is partially open to workers.</li> <li>Deportation: At 23:15, the Israeli army expelled Mustafa Abid, a resident of Nablus city, to the Gaza Strip after 80 days of imprisonment in the Eretz detention compound.</li> <li>Palestinian Attack: <ol> <li>At 22:30, individuals fired a Qassam mortar from the area of Beit Lahia towards the Green Line.</li> <li>At 02:45, individuals fired 3 mortars from the area of Beit Hanoun towards the Green Line.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
GAZA CITY	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: Al Shuhada' junction remains closed.</li> <li><u>Air Patrol</u>: At 11:00, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the city.</li> </ul>

CENTRAL GAZA	<ul> <li>Attacks: <ol> <li>At 19:20, the Israeli army fired from the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards the west.</li> <li>At 00:50, the Israeli army again opened fire from the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards the west and north.</li> <li>Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the area located east of Deir Al Balah, searched the home of a member of Palestinian Preventive Security and arrested his brother before withdrawing at 05:00.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Nidal al Loh, 27 years old, in Deir al Balah.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Closure: <ul> <li>(i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Abu Holi road was partially opened until 23:00. After 23:00, vehicles were detained between the Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints and 2 civilians were arrested.</li> <li>Land Leveling: At 07:55, the Israeli army leveled land inside Palestinian territory north of Abu al Ajin.</li> <li>House Demolitions: At 10:45, the Israeli army demolished 8 homes located behind the market area in West Khan Yunis refugee camp and opened a road connecting Point 9 on the Security Line to a playground in the refugee camp.</li> <li>Attacks: <ul> <li>(i) At 19:30, the Israeli army opened fire form Point 9 towards civilian houses in the western neighborhood, injuring 2 civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Points 9, 10 and 12 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp and the neighborhoods of Al Amal and Al Nimsawi.</li> <li>Raids: <ul> <li>(i) At 18:15, Israeli troops raided the area located 150 meters east of Abu al Ajin.</li> <li>(ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army invaded 250 meters into the area of Al Qarara, searched 1 house and detained its residents.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians on Abu Holi road:</li> <li>(i) Hamid Barbakh; and</li> <li>(ii) Maher Salim.</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul></li></ul>
RAFAH	Closure: The Gaza International Airport remains closed.