

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 31 December 2006 – 08:00 01 January 2007

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	—	2	2	2 civilians, incl. 1 child, in Northern Gaza
Attacks	1	2	3	Incl. 1 in a raid & 1 from a military post
Raids	7	1	8	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 2 in Tulkarem
Arrests	8	—	8	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Detentions	12	—	12	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Wall Construction	27	—	27	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Closure of Checkpoints	12	—	12	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 2 in Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	32	—	32	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem & 11 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Taking position near 1 Police station
Palestinian Attack	1	—	1	3 explosive devices detonated in Nablus
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>127</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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## WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.</li> </ul>
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</li> <li><b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bared in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bared to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Checkpoint:</b> The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.</li> <li><b>Wall Gates:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Bared, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.</li> <li><b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of An Nabi Samwil and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Khan al Ahmar junction along the Jerusalem-Jericho road and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Raid:</b> At 17:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Abu Dis.</li> </ul>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b></li> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud, in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin, Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis, and in the town of Beituniya.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> At 08:00, the Israeli army arrested Saher Ibrahim Ya'qoub, a civilian resident of the town of 'Abud, in the Interrogation and Detention Centre at 'Ofar military post.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JENIN</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Roads:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan as well as the road connecting the town of Qabatiya to the village of Misliya.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> At 08:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of Qabatiya and Az Zababida and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided the city of Jenin, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 06:30.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TULKAREM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.</li> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city) and Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city).</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area</li> </ul>

	<p>between the towns of Deir al Ghusun and ‘Attil and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Deir al Ghusun and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u></b> <p>(i) At 02:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem and took position near the Palestinian Police station in the area. The Israeli army also searched 1 house and withdrew at 03:50.</p> <p>(ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the village of Seida, searched a number of houses, and arrested 2 civilians as well as 1 Palestinian National Security officer.</p> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians and 1 Palestinian security officer in the village of Seida: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Basel Akram ‘Ajaj, a Palestinian National Security officer;</li> <li>(ii) Nidhal Nimer ‘Ajaj; and</li> <li>(iii) Mansour Yousef Talheesh.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Roads:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> <p>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</p> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun.</li> </ul>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.</p> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints.</li> <li>(ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.</li> <li>(iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 06:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Ijnisinya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Attack/Palestinian Attack:</u></b> At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus. While armed Palestinian individuals were detonating 3 explosive devices near Israeli army patrols, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire. In addition, the Israeli army searched a number of houses, arrested 4 civilians, and withdrew at 05:00.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Raed Qandeel;</li> <li>(ii) Hisham Ahmed Jad'an;</li> <li>(iii) Saher Mahmoud Asslan; and</li> <li>(iv) Wajdi Zaher al Massri.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 11:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area until 12:00.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>

<p><b>BETHLEHEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of 'Ayda refugee camp, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat.</li> </ul>
<p><b>HEBRON</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As 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 As Sahleh.</li> <li>(ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling 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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 22:05, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and raided a factory in the area of Ras al Jora.</li> </ul>

**GAZA STRIP**

<b>ALL DISTRICTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army carried out 2 raids into Palestinian territory. In addition, the Israeli army and navy opened fire on 2 occasions, injuring 2 civilians.</li> </ul>
<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure of Crossing Point:</b> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases.</li> <li><b>Attack:</b> At 12:30, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 48 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards a number of civilians in the area of Abu Safiya east of the town of Beit Hanun, injuring 2 civilians, including 1 child.</li> <li><b>Raid:</b> At 16:15, the Israeli army, including 4 armoured vehicles, raided 300 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 23 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Hanun, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure of Crossing Points:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) is closed.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<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>Activities not reported.</li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure of Crossing Points:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Attack:</b> In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the beach of the city of Rafah.</li> </ul>