مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 01 January 2011 - 08:00, 02 January 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Killing	1	_	1	A civilian at Al Hamra checkpoint, Jericho
Injuries	_	2	2	1 in Northern Gaza & 1 in Central Gaza
Arrests (per person)	6	_	6	Incl. 3 children & a Palestinian officer
Detentions	12	_	12	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	12	1	13	Incl. 1 in Ramallah & 1 in Nablus
Checkpoints	8	_	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	_	18	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 2 in Ramallah
Attacks	5	2	7	Incl. 3 in confrontations & 2 in raids
Air Attacks	_	2	2	Missile strikes by F-16s & helicopters
Air Patrols	_	3	3	by F-16s, helicopters & reconnaissance
House Occupation	1	_	1	Roof of house converted into mil. Post
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	Agricultural arboretums & gas stations
Attack on Property	1	_	1	Prevent civilians from planting trees
Land Leveling		1	1	Area of land in Rafah district
Wall Construction	_	_	_	Suspended for the weekend
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 3 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	All closed
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Attempting to steal a number of sheep
Demonstrations	3	_	3	Against settlement, Wall & confiscations
Palestinian Attacks		2	2	Firing 4 mortars towards the Green Line
TOTAL	119	20	139	

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 occupied city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque, and prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city, except those possessing Israeli permits. (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 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. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa, which leads to the city of Jerusalem, by an iron gate, and allows civilians access to occupied Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint only. 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. Destruction of Property: On 29 December 2010, the Israeli army demolished in the village of Hizma agricultural arboretums and gas stations under the pretext of not having licenses and because they are located near the checkpoint set up close to the village and leads to occupied Jerusalem city. 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 close the set will gate on al-Shayah 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 was suspended for the weekend north of Qalandiya village,
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> : The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village, Safa village and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya.
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	 Flying Checkpoints: At 12:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Atara town and arrested a Palestinian National Security officer. At 19:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to At-Tayba town (which connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah) and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh until 00:50. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested on the overpass leading to Atara town officer Sameer Ghanem Hamdan Sabrah. Demonstration: At 14:40, a mass demonstration took place in Ni'lin town against the Wall. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army causing suffocation to a number of demonstrators as a result of tear gas inhalation. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the town of 'Abud, in the periphery of the settlement of Ofarim and north of the villages of Al Lubban Al Gharbi and Rantis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. 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	 Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00. Flying Checkpoints: At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Ein Al Beida. At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on road # 90 near the junction leading to the settlement of Mekhola.
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 villages of Shofeh and Izbat Shofeh. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoint: At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Al Jarushiya 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.
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 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:00.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and search civilians, including students, with a detector.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Ar-Rasha and prevent the access of its inhabitants. The Israeli army only allows the passage of students to their schools outside the village through Habla town gate, while allowing the passage of civilians through gate # 109.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend on land belonging to the village of Kafr Laqif, north of the settlement of Karni Shomron, on land belonging to the village of Immatin, northeast of the settlement of 'Amano'el, and east of the town of Kafr Thulth near the settlement of Ma'aleh Shomron.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.

• 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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Iraq Burin and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00.
- Raid: At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Till, searched a house and served summon to the civilian Mu'ayyad Subhi Zeidan to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 16:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Iraq Burin village in protest at land confiscation to set up settlement projects. Consequently, the Israeli army obstructed the demonstration and confrontations took place with civilians. As a result, a number of demonstrators suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation.

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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. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances of 2 side roads between the village of Marda and its agricultural land. The Israeli army opened of the northern entrance to the city of Salfit (that has been closed for 7 years) and allowed the access of passenger buses only. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. Raid: At 01:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Biddya, searched a house and served summon to the civilian Muhammad Mustafa Said Shtat to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of the town of Deir Istiya (southeast of the settlement of 'Amanu'el).
JERICHO	 Closure of Main Roads: 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 with permits. Flving Checkpoints: At 13:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Az-Zubeidat and prevented civilians from entering the village except its residents. At 13:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and arrested a civilian. Again at 15:10 and at 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. Attack: At 08:00 on 02 January 2011, the Israeli army at Al Hamra checkpoint opened fire towards a civilian (under the pretext of not following orders and stopping near the checkpoint). As a result, the civilian was immediately killed. Killing: The Israeli army killed at Al Hamra checkpoint the civilian Ahmad Mahmoud Maslamani. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho the civilian Hisham Hasanat. Settler Violence: At 14:00, an Israeli settler from the settlement of Yataf attempted to steal a number of sheep belonging to the civilians Ali Al Ka'abneh and Odeh Al Ka'abneh while grazing sheep in Al Auja

	village land near the settlement. The civilians managed to confront the settler attack and restore the sheep. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and evacuated the settler from the area.
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. As of 15 September 2007, the Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access, pursuant to military order # 07/02, to 22 dunum area confiscated according to military order # 07/31 to establish a crossing point in the area of Al Mazmuriya between 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. Raids: At 08:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Ubeidiya until 10:45. At 00:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Maniya, searched a number of houses, arrested 3 children and withdrew at 02:30. Arrests: On 31 December 2010, the Israeli army arrested at Al Container checkpoint the civilian Yazid Muhammad Ibrahim Fanoun from the village of Nahhalin. The Israeli army arrested in the village of Al Maniya the following children: Muhammad Ali Yousef Kwaziyeh, 15-year-old; Muhammad Jamal Badr Kwaziyeh, 16-year-old; and Muhammad Raed Al Froukh, 14-year-old. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.
HEBRON	• 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 fruit and vegetable market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.

(ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 09/06 closing the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuating those inside it and preventing civilians from accessing it. This is the land seized for military purposes for the construction of the Wall.

• 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 travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
- (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.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the side roads off the bypass road leading to the town of Yatta.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Tarqumiya and Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Tarusa and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 22:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Ar Ramadin and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 23:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided Hebron city. Again at 18:35 and at 22:05, the Israeli army raided the area, opened fire indiscriminately towards a number of civilians in Ash Shalala Street while patrolling the area and withdrew at 22:25.
- (ii) At 14:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Adh Dhahiriya. Again at 18:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area until 19:00.
- (iii) At 23:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and searched a house.
- (iv) At 23:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tarqumiya.
- Attack on Property: At 14:00, the Israeli army near the village of At Tawani, located east of Yatta town, prevented civilians from planting wood trees in their land that is under the threat of confiscation.

- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 11:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place on civilian agricultural land belonging to the town of Beit Ummar, located near the settlement of Karmi Tsur. The demonstration was against settler attacks and to enable civilians to cultivate their land. The Israeli army obstructed the demonstration to prevent civilians from reaching the area of Khallet Adh-Dhahr near the settlement. The Israeli army occupied the roof of a house belonging to the civilian Sami Abdulhameed Abu Mariya and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun grenades and tear gas bombs towards the demonstrators. As a result, a number of demonstrators suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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

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, opening fire in Rafah district and launching missile airstrikes by E-16.

- The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by raiding Palestinian territory, opening fire in Rafah district and launching missile airstrikes by F-16 warplanes and helicopter gunships (in 2 consecutive raids) in Northern Gaza and Central Gaza districts injuring 2 civilians.
- Armed Palestinian groups breached the ceasefire by firing 4 mortars towards the Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Air Attack: At dawn on 02 January 2011, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired a missile against a training location belonging to an armed Palestinian group in the area of Zamu east of Jabalya town injuring a civilian.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Air Attack: At dawn on 02 January 2011, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired

	 2 missiles against an empty land near An Nuseirat refugee camp injuring the civilian Thaer Jad Al Haq who was passing through the area. Palestinian Attack: At 10:25, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
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RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: (All Closed) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed for the weekend. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. Raid: In the morning of 01 January 2011, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles and a bulldozer covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided Palestinian territory east of Al 'Amour area, in the periphery of Sufa Crossing, east of Rafah city, and opened fire towards agricultural land and civilian houses while leveling an area of land. Attack: In the morning of 01 January 2011, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line towards civilian agricultural land and houses in the periphery of Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing east of Rafah city. Palestinian Attack: At 09:55, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.