مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية

PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00, 03 January 2010 – 08:00, 04 January 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	5	—	5	Incl. beat demonstrators in Jerusalem city
Arrests (per person)	20	—	20	Incl. a child & a university student
Detentions	15	—	15	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	21	—	21	Incl. 8 in Hebron & 4 in Ramallah
Checkpoints	8	—	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 5 in Nablus & 4 in Jerusalem
Attacks	3	3	6	Incl. 3 in confrontations & 2 in posts
House Occupation	3	—	2	In Qalandiya refugee camp in Jerusalem
Land Leveling	1	—	1	South of Dura town in Hebron district
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	38	—	38	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem & 3 in Salfit
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Partial opening of 3 crossings
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. severely beat civilian in Salfit district
Demonstration	1	—	1	Protest digging tunnels under Silwan, Jer.
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	Anti-tank mortar fired at the Green Line
TOTAL	**164**	**8**	**172**	

DISTRICT	EVENTS

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 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. • **Flying Checkpoints:** (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Biddu and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to the town of Bir Nabala and searched civilians and vehicles. • **Raids**: (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Ar Ram. (ii) At 20:15, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp and occupied the roofs of a number of houses and converted them into military posts. Confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area. The Israeli army withdrew at 22:00. • **Arrests:** (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army arrested 3 unknown civilians at Jaba' checkpoint. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Sur Bahir. They are Mu'men Hamed Ahmad Nimer and Murad Mahmoud Ahmad Nimer. • **Demonstration**: On 03 January 2010, a mass demonstration took place in the area of Wadi Hilwa in the neighborhood of Silwan in the city of Jerusalem against digging a network of tunnels underneath the neighborhood by the Israeli army. The digging led to the collapse of the main road (as mentioned in the previous report). The Israeli army confronted the demonstration and beat demonstrators with clubs. • **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**: (i) At dawn on 03 January 2010, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Liqya and arrested a civilian. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Turmus'ayya and stormed the municipality building. (iii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the villages of Al Mughayyir and Khirbet Abu Falah, set up a checkpoint near the boys' school in Khirbet Abu Falah and patrolled the area. • **Arrests:** (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army arrested the civilian Mazen Yousef Nazzal from the city of Qalqiliya while reporting to the Israeli Intelligence agency in 'Ofer Military Camp. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Beit Liqya the civilian Safi Said Issa Assi. • **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud 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 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • **Raid**: At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, searched a number of houses and arrested 3 civilians. • **Arrests:** (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army arrested the civilian Emad Waleed Mahmoud Tayeh from Al Far'a refugee camp while reporting to the Israeli Intelligence agency in Salem Military Camp. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in Jenin city the civilians: Ashraf Jamil Hussein Al Akhash; Fuad Taher Zakarneh; and Ahmad Jamal Awad. • **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, east of the city of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	• **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh and the road connecting the town of Kafr Al Labad to the village of Shofeh. • **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. • **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 Checkpoints:** (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the overpass leading to the town of Azzun (on Qalqiliya – Tulkarm main road) and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. • **Wall Gates:** 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.
NABLUS	• **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. • **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 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Yasid and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 10:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, detained the civilian Jameel Sameer Saqer under the pretext of holding Gaza Strip ID and released him at a later time following DCO intervention. (iii) At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Madama and arrested a civilian under the pretext of finding a knife in his possession. (iv) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya. • **Raids**: (i) At 17:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Burqa. (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Sarra where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area. The Israeli army also set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village and withdrew at 06:00. (iii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. • **Arrests:** (i) At 18:30, the Israeli army arrested at Huwwara checkpoint 14-year-old child Uday Maher Qadous under the pretext of finding a knife in his possession. (ii) The Israeli army arrested unknown civilians in the village of Madama.
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. • **Flying Checkpoints:** (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Salfit, detained the Palestinian National Security officer Zuhair Nael Mahariq and released him following DCO intervention. (ii) At 15:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kifl Hares and the village of Hares. • **Raids**: (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area. The Israeli army withdrew at 12:00. (ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Istiya, searched a house and served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (iii) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Iskaka, detained police officer Muhammad Khalil Harb and released him at 01:25.

	• **Settler Violence:** At 22:00, a group of Israeli settlers near the junction leading to the settlement of Burkan severely beat the civilian Yahya Muhammad Klaib from the village of Hares. As a result, he sustained contusions and evacuated to hospital for medical treatment. • **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:** (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to al-'Auja village and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits. • **Flying Checkpoint:** At 10:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to Road # 90 in the middle of Al Auja village.
BETHLEHEM	• **Closure:** (i) 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. (ii) 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 and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. • **Flying Checkpoint:** At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles. • **Physical Assaults:** At 22:50, the Israeli army at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint severely beat 2 children, including a child. As a result, they sustained contusions and evacuated to hospital for medical treatment. They are Muhammad Ma'ath Ar Rajabi, 15-year-old, and Ziyad Tawfiq Ar Rajabi. • **Wall Construction:** 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.
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 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.

- **Flying Checkpoints:**

(i) At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.

(ii) At 19:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.

- **Raids**:

(i) At dawn on 03 January 2010, the Israeli army raided Al Arrub refugee camp and arrested 4 civilians.

(ii) At 09:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. Again at 17:00, the Israeli army raided the area, set up a flying checkpoint and patrolled the area. Another time at 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.

(iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Nuba and Beit Ula.

(iv) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta.

(v) At 00:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested a university student.

- **Arrests:**

(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army arrested 2 unknown civilians near Al Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron under the pretext of finding knives in their possession.

(ii) The Israeli army arrested in Al Arrub refugee camp the civilians: Mu'ayyad Muhammad Radwan AtTeeti; Rami Ahmad Issa AtTeeti; Abdulfattah Mustafa Hasan Abu Wardeh; and Bayan Khaled Mahmoud Al Badawi.

	(iii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Dura the civilian Jamal Muhammad Az Zeer. • **Detentions:** At 13:00, the Israeli army detained 3 children (brothers) in the old city of Hebron and released them at a later time following DCO intervention. • **Land Leveling:** At 09:30, the Israeli army leveled about 2 dunums of land located near (Al Majnounah) Military Camp that is located south of Dura town. • **Settler Violence:** At 14:20, a group of Israeli settlers stoned civilians in Ash Shalala Road in the old city of Hebron. • **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 opening fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line in Central Gaza and Rafah districts. Israeli navy boats also opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Rafah city beach. • Armed Palestinian groups breached the ceasefire by firing 1 anti-tank mortar towards a military observation tower for the Israeli army on the Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA	• **Closure of Crossing Point**: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
GAZA	• **Closure of Crossing Points**: (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	• **Palestinian Attack**: At 07:20, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 anti-tank mortar towards a military observation tower for the Israeli army on the Green Line east of Al Maghazi refugee camp. Consequently, the Israeli army opened fire intensively towards Palestinian territory.

KHAN YOUNIS	• Activities not reported.
RAFAH	• **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open on exceptional basis for the departure of 1028 civilians, including patients transferred for medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals, students, holders of foreign visas and residence permits, and for the entry of civilians stranded on the Egyptian side. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food, humanitarian assistance, a quantity of industrial diesel for the electricity plant, cooking gas and for the export of 4 trucks of strawberry and 1 truck of flower. • **Attacks**: (i) On 03 January 2010, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line towards civilian agricultural land east of Ash Shoka town that is located east of Rafah city. (ii) On 03 January 2010, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Rafah city beach.