

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 January 2007 – 08:00 05 January 2007

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	4	—	4	4 civilians in the city of Ramallah
Injuries	25	4	29	Incl. 5 civilians in critical condition
Attacks	6	2	8	Incl. 4 in raids and 2 from military posts
Raids	16	1	17	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 4 in Bethlehem
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Combat helicopters over Ramallah city
Arrests	19	—	19	Incl. 1 child and 1 injured civilian
Detentions	12	—	12	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Wall Construction	27	—	27	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Vehicles, shops, and vendors' stalls
Closure of Checkpoints	12	—	12	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	3	—	3	Ramallah (1), Jenin (1), & Bethlehem (1)
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	—	4	4	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Forces demanded not to leave positions
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>177</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> <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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.</li> <li>(iii) 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> </ul> </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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>(ii) 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> </ul> </li> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Bareed, 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>Raid:</b> The Israeli army raided the village of Beit 'Anan and arrested 3 civilians.</li> <li> <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Beit 'Anan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) As'ad Mansour Hmeid;</li> <li>(ii) Dawoud Saleh Hmeid; and</li> <li>(iii) Mohammed Mousa Hmeid.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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- **Closure of Main Roads:**
  - (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.
  - (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.
- **Checkpoint:** 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.
- **Wall Construction:** 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.
- **Raids/Air Patrol/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Attack/Injuries:**
  - (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided the Industrial Zone in the city of El Bireh, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
  - (ii) At 15:50, Israeli Special Forces, supported later by 40 jeeps and 2 bulldozers, raided the city of Ramallah, whilst combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the area. The Israeli army had demanded (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces withdraw patrols and not leave their positions. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. The Israeli army also opened fire towards civilians and combat helicopters opened machinegun fire towards civilian buildings, killing 4 civilians and injuring 23 others, including 1 child. Of those injured, 5 civilians, including a journalist, were in critical condition:
    - (i) Fadi al 'Arouri, a journalist;
    - (ii) Murad Waleed at Taweel;
    - (iii) Ahmed Mohammed Kheir ad Din;
    - (iv) Jihad Mohammed Masalmeh; and
    - (v) Rabee' Sha'ban Hamed.

In addition, the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians as well as deliberately destroyed a number of civilian vehicles, commercial shops, and vendors' stalls along street sides. At 17:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- **Killings:** The Israeli army killed 4 civilians in the city of Ramallah:
  - (i) Jamal Jameel Jweiles;
  - (ii) Khalil Mustafa al Beirouti;
  - (iii) Ala' Fawwaz al Hamran; and
  - (iv) Yousef Mahmoud Abdul Qader.
- **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Ramallah:
  - (i) Ayman Salem;
  - (ii) Isam'il Hamed;
  - (iii) Ala' Hamed; and
  - (iv) Lu'ay Samhan.

<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 Checkpoint:</u></b> At 08:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along As Suweitat road east of the city of Jenin and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> The Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested Kheir ad Din Hafeth Sawaftah in the town of Tubas.</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>Raid/Attack:</u></b> At 05:30, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the town of ‘Attil, opened intensive fire, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 child. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 17-year-old Thaeir Ghassan Tahlawi in the town of ‘Attil.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>QALQILIYA</b></p>	<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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> </ol> </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>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NABLUS</b></p>	<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 continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.</li> </ul> </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> <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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus as well as the refugee camps of Balata and 'Askar, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 06:15.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SALFIT</b></p>	<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> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERICHO</b></p>	<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> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Jiftlik and searched a number of houses.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> On 04 January 2007, Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested Kheir ad Din 'Odeh Taha, while he was returning from Saudi Arabia, where he performed pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></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><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></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><u>Wall Construction:</u></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> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Wadi an Nar road connecting the town of Al 'Ubeidiya to the village of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Attacks/Injuries:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 16:10, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat ad Doha in the city of Bethlehem. While surrounding 1 house, the Israeli army opened fire, injuring 1 civilian. The Israeli army also arrested the injured civilian. In addition, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured another civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, the town of Al Khadr, and Ad Duheisha refugee camp. In the town of Al Khadr, the Israeli army searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Tawfeeq Abu Zeid, an injured civilian, in Dahiyat ad Doha in the city of Bethlehem.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Hasan Naji Salah in the town of Al Khadr.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></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> </ul>

	<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 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><u>Wall Construction:</u></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><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 02:00 on 04 January 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Taffuh and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 03:00 on 04 January 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Kahil, arrested 5 civilians, and served summons to 3 others to report to the Israeli Intelligence Agency.</li> <li>(iii) At 03:00 on 04 January 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army arrested Shareef Khamayseh in the town of Taffuh. The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the town of Beit Kahil:</li> <li>(ii) Abdul Rahman Shihdeh az Zhour;</li> <li>(iii) Ni'man Abdul Rahman az Zhour;</li> <li>(iv) Mahmoud Kamel al 'Atawneh;</li> <li>(v) Feissal Mohammed az Zhour; and</li> <li>(vi) Sa'di Abdul Rahman Darweesh.</li> <li>(vii) The Israeli army arrested Younes Fayez ar Rjoub in the town of Dura.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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### GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALL DISTRICTS</b></p>	<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 1 raid into Palestinian territory. In addition, Israeli troops positioned on the Green Line opened fire towards Palestinian territory on 2 occasions, injuring 4 civilians.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NORTHERN GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u></b> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Attack/Injuries:</u></b> At 09:40, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations on the Green Line towards a number of civilians northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring 4 civilians, including 1 child.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 13:20, the Israeli army, including 1 armoured vehicle and 1 bulldozer, raided 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>• Activities not reported.</li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Attack:</u></b> In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 121 on the Green Line towards a number of farmers east of Al Maghazi refugee camp.</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><u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(iii) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>