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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 05 January 2005 – 08:00 06 January 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	2	2	2 individuals in armed confrontations
Physical Assaults	2	—	2	Incl. 1 registration officer assaulted
Injuries	—	2	2	Incl. 1 child
Attacks	1	3	4	1 during raids and 3 from posts
Raids	20	2	22	Incl. 5 in Hebron and 5 in Bethlehem
Air Patrol	—	1	1	1 reconnaissance over Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	18	1	19	Incl. 2 in Tulkarem and 13 in Hebron
Detentions	6	1	7	Incl. ill civilians in Jenin
Wall Construction	20	—	20	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth., Hebron
Destruction of Property	—	—	—	Notices to demolish 3 barracks
Curfew	1	—	1	In the village of Husan
Flying Checkpoints	11	—	11	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 3 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Al Mughayyir and An Nu'man
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(6)	—	Incl. 3 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	All closed
Attack on Religious Sites	1	—	1	1 mosque in Husan raided
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Incl. civilians harassed in Hebron
Obstruction of Elections	2	—	2	Incl. 1 candidate denied access
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	1	3	Incl. open fire towards 1 Pal. post
Palestinian Attacks	—	14	14	Incl. an armed confrontation
TOTAL	92	30	122	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, preventing civilians and workers from entering the Green Line, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, President of the Palestinian National Authority, and President of the State of Palestine (may he rest in peace).
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: The Israeli army intensified its measures at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols in order to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its measures at checkpoints set up around the city of Jerusalem, particularly at An Nabi Samwil and Qalandiya checkpoints, which control civilian movement between the districts of Jerusalem and Ramallah. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely preventing civilians from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. Obstruction of the Presidential Elections: Israeli troops positioned at Dahiyat Al Bared checkpoint in the city of Jerusalem halted the field voter registration team, assaulted 1 female voter registration officer, and tore apart pages from a registration book.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Mughayyir with dirt barricades. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00 on 05 January 2005, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Saffa and prevented civilians from exiting the village unless

	<p>they have their IDs and personal belongings thoroughly searched.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the village of 'Atara and prevented civilians from crossing for 2 hours, thereby detaining dozens of civilian vehicles at both sides of the checkpoint.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: The Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • Flying Checkpoints: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints at the southern entrance to the city of Jenin, between the city of Jenin and the town of Qabatiya, and between the city of Jenin and the town of Birqin, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and detained a number of civilians, including the ill. At 11:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided Jenin refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 04:30.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Al Kafriyyat road and 'Einav gate, between the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Flying Checkpoints: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the junctions to the towns of Bal'a and 'Illar, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 22:30. • Raid: At 00:45, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp, searched 1 civilian building, and arrested 1 civilian. At 05:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Sameh Mahmoud Manasrah in the city of Tulkarem.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area. (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Dab'a, searched 3 houses, and detained 1 civilian. At 18:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Immatin and patrolled the area.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army intensified its measures at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Nablus, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. • <u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 08:00 on 05 January 2005, the Israeli army raided the village of Nisf Jubeil and took position near the village's Police station.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Deir Ballut along the Green Line and in the area southwest of the village of Kafr Ad Dik. (ii) Land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around the settlement of Ariel), and in the village of Az Zawiya, remains suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Haris, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 civilian. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Jamal Suleiman Kuleib in the village of Haris. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Abdul Rahman Tayseer Shahin in the city of Salfit.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army prevented civilians from entering the city, including Israeli ID card holders, except those holding Jericho IDs. • <u>Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 23:15, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound grenades towards 1 Palestinian National Security location in the area of Al Mashrou' (the Project) in the city of Jericho.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Destruction of Property:</u> The Israeli army distributed notices to demolish 2 barracks in the village of An Nuwei'ma Al Foqa for being constructed in Area (C) and 1 barracks in the village of Fasayil for being constructed near an electricity post. • <u>Obstruction of the Palestinian Presidential Elections:</u> Israeli troops positioned at the village of 'Ein Duyuk checkpoint and the checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho prevented Palestinian presidential candidate Taysir Khaled from entering the city of Jericho.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan. • <u>Raids/Curfew/Attack on Religious Sites:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and patrolled the area until 12:20. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Sahur and patrolled the area until 12:30. (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan, imposed curfew, raided the village's mosque, and searched 1 house. The Israeli army also severely beat 1 civilian (after which he was transported to hospital) and arrested 2 civilians. At 07:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Husan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Thaer; and (ii) Samir Hassan.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to prevent civilians from the towns of Yatta and As Samoa' from accessing their land, which is located near Israeli settlements. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna, and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army set up several flying checkpoints at the entrances to the city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna, searched a number of houses after detaining their residents outside, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) The Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested 8 civilians, including 2 children. (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Al Majd and arrested 1 civilian. (iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Imreish and arrested 1 civilian. (v) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 2 civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Khalil Batran in the town of Idhna. The Israeli army arrested 8 civilians in the city of Hebron: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Mu'taz Suleiman Al Qawasmi, 17 years old; (iii) Omar Al Qawasmi, 17 years old; (iv) Mu'ayyad Suleiman Al Qawasmi; (v) Hammam Na'im Al Qawasmi; (vi) Mohammed Na'im Al Qawasmi; (vii) Mohammed Az Zghayyer; (viii) Zeid Akram Al Qawasmi; and (ix) A civilian from the family of Az Zaru. (x) The Israeli army arrested Abdul Karim Amr in the village of Al Majd. (xi) The Israeli army arrested Hisham Dodin in the village of Imreish. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Dura: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (xii) Fawwaz Amr; and (xiii) Isma'il Al 'Awawdeh. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> A group of extremist Israeli settlers assaulted civilians in Tall Rumeideh and Ash Shuhada' Street in the old city of Hebron.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beit Hanun Crossing is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At 18:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding Beit Hanun Crossing towards civilian houses in the town of Beit Hanun. • <u>Raid:</u> Beginning at 08:20 on 02 January 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the area surrounding the town of Beit Hanun, in Izbat Beit Hanun, and on the Customs junction along Salah Ad Din road, opened intensive fire, and arrested 1 civilian after searching his house in the area of Al Manshiyyah in the town of Beit Lahiya. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. • <u>Killings:</u> At 01:30 on 05 January 2005, the Israeli army killed 2 individuals (not 1 individual as reported yesterday) during the armed confrontation which took place near the Industrial Zone of Beit Hanun:
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Fadi Za'al Abu Qamar; and (ii) Amjad An Najjar. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ali Dawwas in the area of Al Manshiyyah in the town of Beit Lahiya. • Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 21:00, Palestinian National Security forces prevented the firing of 1 Qassam mortar in the area of Beit Lahiya. An Israeli army reconnaissance aircraft took photographs of Palestinian National Security officers while they were confiscating and evacuating the mortar launching pad. The Israeli army later threatened to attack the Palestinian National Security location and ordered officers not to be present inside the location after 02:00. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:05, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 13:50, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (iii) At 14:20, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Dugit. (iv) At 14:30, 4 mortars were fired towards the Green Line, 1 of which exploded in the area where it was fired, injuring 5 civilians. (v) At 17:10, 1 Qassam mortar was fired, but exploded in the area where it was fired. (vi) At 17:25, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Dugit. (vii) At 17:45, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line and Beit Hanun Crossing. (viii) At 18:45, 1 mortar was fired towards Beit Hanun Crossing. (ix) At 21:15, 1 Qassam mortar was fired, but exploded inside Palestinian territory.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed. • Palestinian Attack: At 09:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack: At 17:05, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement bloc of Gosh Katif.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open to elderly civilians only. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, 6 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Netzer Hazani.

	<p>(ii) At 06:35, an armed confrontation took place between Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army in the area surrounding the settlement of Ganei Tall, during which the Israeli army killed 1 Palestinian individual.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Muhannad Mahmoud Al Lahham during the armed confrontation which took place in the area surrounding the settlement of Ganei Tall.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open. • <u>Attack:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations on the Egyptian border towards civilian houses in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp, injuring 2 civilians, including 1 child. • <u>Raid:</u> At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the neighbourhood of Ash Shokah east of the city of Rafah, searched 1 house, detained 3 civilians, and released them at 12:00.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 5,169 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. (ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits only to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 524 work permits for workers in the Industrial Zones. However, workers were not allowed access to the Industrial Zones due to the imposed closure. (ii) Israeli authorities renewed 3,119 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, workers were not allowed access into the Green Line due to the imposed closure. (iii) Israeli authorities invalidated all the permits, which it had issued to 2,375 construction workers to remain overnight inside the Green Line.
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