

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 06 January 2010 – 08:00 07 January 2010

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	1	1	Armed individual of injuries sustained
Physical Assaults	2	—	2	2 children in Jerusalem
Injuries	3	—	3	3 civilians in the Jerusalem district
Attacks	1	1	2	1 in a raid and 1 during confrontations
Raids	20	1	21	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 4 in Salfit
Air Patrols	—	2	2	Incl. aircraft dropped flyers over N. Gaza
Arrests	10	—	10	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Detentions	15	—	15	At checkpoints and in residential areas
House Demolitions	*	—	—	Notices to demolish 3 houses in Nablus
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Agricultural land in Central Gaza
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1*	1	2	Incl. furniture damaged in Jerusalem
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. 1 checkpoint closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. 3 in Qalqiliya and 2 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem and 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	38	—	38	Incl. 8 in Nablus and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	4 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	2	—	2	2 civilians severely beaten in Nablus
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	10 mortars fired towards Green Line
Pal. Security Measures	4	—	4	3 artillery shells and 1 rifle damaged
Demonstration	1	—	1	In solidarity with prisoners in Jenin
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>162</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque.</li> <li>(i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction).</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem.</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 cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram.</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>Attack:</b> At 20:50, Israeli troops positioned around Qalandiya checkpoint opened fire and injured 3 civilians, allegedly for throwing stones.</li> <li>• <b>Raid/Detentions/Physical Assaults:</b> At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Qatanna and searched 1 house after detaining residents. The Israeli army also beat 2 children and damaged the house furniture.</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 the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.</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> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and patrolled the area until 12:15.</li> <li>(ii) At 19:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Mughayyir, searched 1 house, and served summons to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</li> <li>(iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Mazra'a al Gharbiya, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians.</li> <li>(iv) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Kobar, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Al Mazra'a al Gharbiya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Radhi Mohammed 'Awadh Shreiteh;</li> <li>(ii) Mohammed Ahmed Omar Shreiteh;</li> <li>(iii) Mohammed Rabah Mohammed Hannoun; and</li> <li>(iv) Hamzeh Mohammed Sa'id Shreiteh.</li> <li>(v) The Israeli army arrested Thaer Tawfiq Sha'ban al Barghouthi in the village of Kobar.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JENIN</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Road:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Arraba, searched civilians and vehicles, arrested 2 civilians, and withdrew at 13:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Jaba', searched civilians and vehicles, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 13:00.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Detentions:</u></b> At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Zububa, raided a commercial shop, detained 2 civilians, and released them later.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the town of 'Arraba arrested 2 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Majdi Khadher Ighbariyyeh; and</li> <li>(ii) Bassam Abdullah Sa'id Abu 'Ubeid.</li> <li>(iii) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the town of Jaba' arrested an unidentified civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Demonstration:</u></b> At 11:30, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in the city of Jenin in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors demanded that political prisoners be released from Israeli prisons.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> 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.</li> </ul>
<b>TUBAS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Checkpoint:</b> Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tubas and the town of Tammun and patrolled these areas until 04:15.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa.</li> <li>• <b>Checkpoint:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. At 11:15, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint, denied civilian access in both directions, and reopened it at a later time.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 08:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr 'Abbush.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Roads:</b> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Immatin and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(iii) At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:15.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and searched 2 houses.</li> <li>(ii) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 02:50.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Gate:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfei Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.</li> </ul>

## NABLUS

- **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 southern entrance to the village of Duma; and the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan.
  - (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to the village of An Naqura opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
  - (iii) Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
- **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
  - (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 between 07:00 and 02:00.
  - (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.
- **Flying Checkpoints:**
  - (i) At 12:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Bizzariya, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a Palestinian Customs Police officer.
  - (ii) At 20:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raid:** At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the area of Lifjan in the vicinity of the town of 'Aqraba and distributed notices for the demolition of 3 houses as well as a number of barracks, claiming that they had been built without the required construction licences. The Israeli army gave relevant civilians a respite of 48 hours to evacuate the houses and barracks.
- **Arrest:** Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Bizzariya arrested Mohammed Sameer Rashed Mas'oud, a Palestinian Customs Police officer.
- **Settler Violence:**
  - (i) At 16:20, a group of Israeli settlers severely beat Arafat Amin Suwwan near the junction to the settlement of Yitzhar, leaving him with contusions. Consequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.
  - (ii) At 17:30, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar severely beat 65-year-old Hussein at Tillawi while he was present on his land near the settlement. As he sustained contusions, At Tillawi was transported to hospital for medical treatment.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u></b> On 06 January 2009, the Explosives Engineering Unit of the Palestinian Police damaged 3 old artillery shells as well as an M1 rifle after they had been located near a well in the village of Qaryut.</li> </ul>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army 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.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint/Detentions:</u></b> At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Bruqin and Kafr ad Dik, detained a number of civilians, took photographs of them, and released them at a later time. Having also searched civilians and vehicles, the Israeli army withdrew from the area at 13:00.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Sarta, patrolled the area, took photograph of a number of houses, and withdrew at 10:30.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Kifl Haris and the village of Haris and patrolled these areas until 13:00.</li> <li>(iii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Az Zawiya, searched 1 house, arrested 1 civilian, and served a summons to another to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 03:55, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested Ibrahim Ali Shuqeir in the town of Az Zawiya.</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 Ariel.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	<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>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the juncture to Road # 90 in the centre of the village of Al ‘Auja and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 02:00, the Israeli army raided ‘Aqbat Jaber refugee camp in the city of Jericho and searched 1 house.</li> <li>• <b><u>Detention:</u></b> At 22:35, Israeli troops positioned at the Al Hamra junction checkpoint detained Saeb Nathif and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu’mān, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village.</li> <li>(ii) According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad as well as a road east of the town of Beit Fajjar.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ifrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.</li> </ul>
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ol 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. 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.</li> <li>(ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S for closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa’; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab’a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<p>entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the area of Al Hawawir, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.</p> <p>(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 Road # 60.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <p>(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Wadi Qabbun (at the northern entrance to the city of Hebron, which branches off Road # 35) and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Tarqumiya and Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kharsa and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <p>(i) At 10:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.</p> <p>(ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:45. The Israeli army raided the town of Dura and patrolled the area until 03:55.</p> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.</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>• At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt.</li> <li>• <b><u>Violations of the Ceasefire:</u></b> <p>(i) The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened intensive fire towards civilians and property in the district of Central Gaza.</p> <p>(ii) Armed Palestinian individuals fired 10 mortars towards the Green Line.</p> </li> </ul>
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<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 for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Air Patrol:</u></b> On 06 January 2010, Israeli combat aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza and dropped flyers on civilians residing along the Green Line, warning them that they should keep 300 metres away from the Border Fence.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open for transportation of wheat and animal feed. Construction cargo was also allowed to be transported for projects carried by the Palestinian Water Authority.</li> <li>(ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. On 04 January 2010, the Israeli authorities made a unilateral decision on the final closure of the Crossing, which had been allocated for transportation of fuel.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling:</u></b> In the morning of 06 January 2010, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and bulldozers, all covered by reconnaissance aircraft raided 200 metres into Palestinian territory east of the area of Abu Al 'Ajin southeast of the city of Deir al Balah. The Israeli army also opened fire towards civilians and property and levelled agricultural land.</li> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Attack:</u></b> At 22:00, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Death:</u></b> On 06 January 2010, Mahmoud Ahmed Abdul Ghafour, an armed Palestinian individual, died of injuries sustained during the Israeli air attack on Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara, as was reported yesterday.</li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis for ill civilians, students, and civilians holding visas and residence cards abroad to leave the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to civilians stranded on the Egyptian border, international peace activists, and humanitarian aid.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, diesel designated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas. In addition, 2 trucks transporting export-oriented flowers were allowed access.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Attack:</u></b> At 07:20, 8 mortars were fired towards the Israeli army positioned in the area surrounding Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing on the Green Line.</li> </ul>

**GENERAL**

<p><b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Sentences:</u></b> The Israeli military court at the ‘Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre sentenced 2 Palestinian political prisoners:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Mohammed Mufid Abu Hasaneh, a resident of the village of Saffa in the district of Ramallah, to 4 months in prisons, 3 years with the stay of execution, and a fine of NIS 1,500 (approximately USD 400); and</li> <li>(ii) Omar Abdul Wahhab Hamamreh, a resident of the village of Husan in the district of Bethlehem, to 3.5 months in prison and a fine of NIS 1,000 (approximately USD 270).</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b><u>Abuse of Political Prisoners:</u></b> The Palestinian Prisoners’ Club affirmed that the Israeli army continues to arrest 12 political prisoners, including children, in the Huwwara Detention and Interrogation Centre under bad conditions. Prisoners suffer from medical negligence, severe cold, and low-quality food.</li> </ul>
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