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# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 08 January 2007 – 08:00 09 January 2007

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	1	3	Jerusalem (1), Nablus (1), & N. Gaza (1)
Attacks	3	2	5	2 in raids and 3 from military posts
Raids	26	1	27	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 5 in Ramallah
Air Patrols	1	1	2	Helicopters over Nablus and Khan Yunis
Arrests	36		36	Incl. 4 children and 1 female civilian
Detentions	14	1	15	Incl. 1 child & 1 elderly female civilian
Wall Construction	26		26	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2		2	Incl. 1 vehicle destroyed in Tulkarem
Attack on Property	1		1	A garbage truck detained in Bethlehem
Closure of Checkpoints	14	_	14	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	12	_	12	Incl. 3 in Jenin and 3 in Qalqiliya
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	_	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun, Rafah, & Sufa partially
Settlement Activity	_	1	1	A settler bypass road constructed, Hebron
Palestinian Attacks	1	2	3	Incl. 3 unidentified mortars fired
TOTAL	176	14	190	

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#### WEST BANK

# ALL DISTRICTS

• 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.

# • <u>Closure</u>: 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.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (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.
- (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.
- (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.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.

#### **JERUSALEM**

#### • 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 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.
- Wall Construction: 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.
- <u>Attack/Injury</u>: At 20:00, Israeli troops guarding the Wall in the vicinity of the town of Bir Nabala opened fire towards 15-year-old Mahir Ibrahim Zeidan, leaving him with injuries. Zeidan was transported to hospital for medical treatment.

#### • Raids:

(i) At 01:00 on 08 January 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and arrested 4 civilians, including 3 children.

	(ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Beit
	'Anan.
	(iii) The Israeli army raided Dahiyat al Aqbat north of the city of Jerusalem
	and searched 1 house.
	• Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Abu Dis:
	(i) Muntasser Talal Dandan, 16 years old;
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	(ii) Ahmed Jamil Dandan, 16 years old;
	(iii) Sameh Ali Rabee', 17 years old; and
	(iv) Murad Mohammed Rabee'.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern
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	entrance to the village of Sinjil.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western
	entrance to the village of Saffa.
	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : 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.
	• Flying Checkpoint: At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at
	the entrance to the village of 'Ein 'Arik and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:
	(i) At dawn on 08 January 2007, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee
	camp and arrested 1 female civilian.
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&	(ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided and patrolled the
EL BIREH	town of Beituniya. At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 9 jeeps, raided
	the town again, searched a number of houses, and arrested 2 civilians,
	including 1 university student.
	(iii) At 01:05, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the village of
	Qarawat Bani Zeid, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4
	civilians. At 02:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
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	(iv) At 02:05, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Abu
	Shukheidim, searched 2 houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at
	03:40.
	• Arrests:
	(i) The Israeli army arrested Hiyam Ahmed al Bayedh, a female civilian,
	in Al Jalazun refugee camp.
	The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beituniya:
	(ii) Muss'ab Fat'hi al Bawadi; and
	(iii) Nasser as Sawalhi.
	The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid:
	(iv) Hammoudeh Raja Sneif;
	(v) Zaher 'Adel Hjeiji;
	(vi) Rakez Taleb 'Arar; and
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	(vii) Hisham Jamil Hjeiji.			
	(viii) The Israeli army arrested Abdul Qader Hussein Hafeth in the town of			
	Abu Shukheidim.			
	• <u>Closure of Roads</u> : 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.			
	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : 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.			
	• Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted			
	special Israeli permits.			
	• Flying Checkpoints:			
	(i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to			
	the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles.			
	(ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to			
	Haddah Tourist Complex along the settler bypass road east of the city			
	of Jenin and searched civilians and vehicles.			
	(iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the			
*******	town of Az Zababida and the village of Misliya, searched civilians and			
JENIN	vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.			
	<ul> <li>Raids/Destruction of Property:</li> <li>(i) At dawn on 08 January 2007, the Israeli army raided the village of</li> </ul>			
	(i) At dawn on 08 January 2007, the Israeli army raided the village of Misliya and arrested 1 civilian.			
	(ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided			
	the town of Qabatiya, searched 2 houses, and demolished the wall of			
	another house, while surrounding it. The Israeli army also arrested 2			
	civilians, including 1 child, and withdrew at 05:30.			
	(iii) At 07:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas and searched 1			
	house.			
	• Arrests:			
	(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the area			
	between the town of Az Zababida and the village of Misliya arrested			
	Khaldoun Mousa Abu ar Rub.			
	(ii) The Israeli army arrested Yihya Yaseen Abu ar Rub in the village of			
	Misliya.			
	The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Qabatiya:			
	(iii) Sameer Naji Nazzal, 13 years old; and			
	(iv) Mohammed Ziyad Nazzal.			
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a			
	closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.			
THE LABORA	• Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt			
TULKAREM	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.			

- <u>Checkpoints</u>: 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).
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

#### • Flying Checkpoints/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Illar and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Qaffin, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint also destroyed the arrested civilian's vehicle (using explosives), allegedly for suspecting it.

#### • Raids/Detention:

- (i) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Zeita, detained 14-year-old Mu'ath Mahir 'Awadh Allah, ostensibly for throwing stones, and released him at a later time. At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town again and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of 'Illar.
- (iii) At 01:15, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem as well as searched a number of houses and commercial shops. The Israeli army also arrested 7 civilians, including 3 brothers, and 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 05:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

#### • Arrests:

(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Qaffin arrested Usamah 'Adnan 'Amarneh.

The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians and 1 Palestinian security officer in Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem:

- (ii) Ahmed Jum'ah Taleb, a Palestinian National Security officer;
- (iii) Mahmoud Khaled an Najjar;
- (iv) Waleed Khaled an Najjar;
- (v) Omar Khaled an Najjar;
- (vi) Taleb Nimer Thafer;
- (vii) Abdullah Taher Na'aloh;
- (viii) Mahmoud Tayseer Na'aloh; and
- (ix) Mohammed Abdul Kareem Na'aloh.

# **QALQILIYA**

• <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

#### • Wall Gates:

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.

- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.
- **Flying Checkpoints:** At 08:00, and again at 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- Arrest: At 03:00 on 08 January 2007, the Israeli army arrested Subhi Bilal Freij during its raid on the city of Qalqiliya.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (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.
- (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.
- (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.
- (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.

#### • Raids/Air Patrol/Attack/Palestinian Attack/Injury:

- (i) At 08:10, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided the area between the city of Nablus and the village of Till, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus.
- (iii) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Sarra, after an explosive device was detonated near an Israeli army jeep while it was travelling near the junction to the village. While patrolling the area, the Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets indiscriminately towards civilians, injuring 1 child.
- <u>Arrest</u>: At 14:30, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested an unidentified civilian.

#### **NABLUS**

SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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 Intifada (Uprising).</li> <li>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> </ol> </li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>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>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>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 Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.</li> <li>Raid: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ballut, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>Arrests: <ol> <li>The Israeli army arrested Ahmed 'Azeez 'Izzat, a civilian resident of the town of Kafr ad Dik, in an area inside the Green Line, claiming that he did not possess an access permit.</li> <li>The Israeli army arrested Amjad Khalil Abdullah in the town of Deir Ballut.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: 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>Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. The Israeli army also installed computers at the 2 checkpoints in order to examine civilians' IDs, thereby impeding civilian access.</li> <li>Raid: At 03:05, the Israeli army, including 16 jeeps, raided the city of Jericho and patrolled the area until 05:00.</li> <li>Arrest: Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested 'Adnan Abdul Razzaq 'Ayyad, while he was travelling to Jordan to treat his son at a Jordanian hospital.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: 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> </ul>

• <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 11:35, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Beit Jala and searched 1 building.
- <u>Detentions/Attack on Property</u>: At 13:50, the Israeli army detained 2 employees from Tuqu' Municipality along with a garbage truck belonging to the municipality near the town of Tuqu', while they were dumping solid wastes east of the town. The Israeli army claims that Tuqu' Municipality does not possess a licence to dump garbage in the area.

#### • <u>Closure</u>:

- (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.
- (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.

#### Closure of Main Roads:

#### **HEBRON**

- (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.
- (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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.

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#### • Flying Checkpoints/Detentions:

- (i) At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained a number of civilians.

#### • Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 12:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 14:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhul, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (iii) At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the area of Kanar in the town of Dura and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area.
- Arrests: At 13:20, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the old city of Hebron:
- (i) Sameeh Jabr al Muhtaseh; and
- (ii) Tahseen Ya'qoub al Muhtaseh.

At 18:10, the Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian National Security officer, after having searched their house in the old city of Hebron:

- (iii) 'Atef Hamdan Abu Sneineh; and
- (iv) Rasem 'Imran al Muhtaseb.
- (v) The Israeli army arrested Muss'ab Hashem al Hashlamoun in the city of Hebron.
- (vi) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ahmed al Qadi in the town of Halhul.
- <u>Settlement Activity</u>: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Sussia east of the town of As Samoa' began constructing a settler bypass road connecting the area west of the settlement to approximately 150 *dunums* (37.065 acres) of civilian land in order to seize it.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

# ALL DISTRICTS

• 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, during which it detained an elderly female civilian. In addition, the Israeli army opened fire on 2 occasions, injuring 1 civilian. Israeli combat helicopters also patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory. Additionally, armed Palestinian individuals fired 3 mortars towards the Green Line.

# NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. At 14:35, the Crossing was closed in both directions.
- Attack: At 12:15, 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 near Beit Hanun (Erez) Industrial Zone north of the town of Beit Hanun, injuring Sa'eed Nasser Abu Jarad.

	Palestinian Attack: At 09:40, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 unidentified mortars towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar exploded in the area from which it was launched.
GAZA	Activities not reported.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Attack: At 15:00, Israeli troops positioned on a military watchtower near Point 152 on the Green Line opened fire towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> <li>Raid: At 15:50, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided Palestinian territory near Point 180 on the Green Line east of the area of Khuza'a, detained an elderly female civilian, and released her at a later time.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 12:00, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the eastern area of the district of Khan Yunis.</li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing was partially open until 14:00.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is partially open for transportation of construction cargo only.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 01:15, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> </ul>

# **GENERAL**

POLITICAL PRISONERS	• <u>Abuse of Political Prisoners</u> : A total of 30 political prisoners held in the Detention and Interrogation Centre at Huwwara military post are subjected to harsh detention conditions as well as collective punishment. The Israeli Administration of the Detention and Interrogation Centre also prevents prisoners from exiting their cells.
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