مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 January 2010 - 08:00 15 January 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	_	2	Incl. civilian beaten inside Green Line
Attacks	1	7	8	Incl. 1 from a post and 5 by navy boats
Raids	12	1	13	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem and 1 in Central Gaza
Air Patrols		2	2	Reconnaissance over Gaza and C. Gaza
Arrests (per person)	7	_	7	Incl. 3 children and 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	16	_	16	At checkpoints and in residential areas
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. crops destroyed in Central Gaza
Closure of Checkpoints	12	_	12	Incl. access impeded at 9 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	21	_	21	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya and 4 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	_	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	1	_	1	30 olive trees cut down in Hebron
TOTAL	139	16	155	

DISTRICT EVENTS	
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WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (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.
- (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).
- (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.

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 from the town of Ar Ram.
- <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.
- Raid: At dawn on 14 January 2009, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Dugqu and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrests</u>: At 21:00, the Israeli army arrested 3 children near the Wall section near the village of Beit Duqqu:
- (i) Ibrahim Radhwan Dawoud, 15 years old;
- (ii) Hasan Usamah Dawoud, 15 years old; and
- (iii) Ashraf Basem Hussein, 15 years old.
- (iv) The Israeli army arrested Sa'id Yaqin in the village of Beit Duqqu.

• 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.

JERUSALEM

	• Wall Construction: 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. At 18:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of Al Mazra'a ash Sharqiya and Silwad and searched civilians and vehicles until 18:20. Raid: At 21:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Silwad. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Raid: At 17:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Meithalun and patrolled the area until 18:30. 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.
TUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : 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.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoints: At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road, which connects the cities of Tulkarem and Qalqiliya, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids: (i) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Deir al Ghusun, 'Anabta, and Bal'a. (ii) At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. **Detentions:** At 15:40, the Israeli army detained 3 civilians near the Wall section in the vicinity of the village of Ar Ras and released them after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the (i) overpass to the town of 'Azzun on the Qalqiliya-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles. At 11:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (iii) **QALQILYA** the village of An Nabi Elyas and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (iv) the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. **Raid:** At 13:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya. Wall Gate: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. Wall Construction: 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. **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 Oabalan. (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. **NABLUS** (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: At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed (i) 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.

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	 (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. (iii) At 09:45, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints around the city of Nablus and impeded civilian access. Flving Checkpoints: (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints and impeded civilian access on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus), in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya, and near the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) and searched civilians and vehicles.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. Flving Checkpoints: At 10:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the main road near the village of Marda and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kifl Haris and the village of Haris and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 22:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda and patrolled the area until 23:00. 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 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 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. Checkpoints: 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.

	 (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. Flying Checkpoint: At 01:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles.
ВЕТНІЕНЕМ	 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) 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 dunums (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. Closure of Main Roads: 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. Checkpoint: At 20:05, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. Flying Checkpoint: At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tuqu' and searched civilians and vehicles. Arrest: At 15:30, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up in an area around the city of Bethlehem arrested Mu'in Abdul Khaleq Abdul Qader Dawabsheh, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer. Wall Construction: 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.
HEBRON	 Closure: 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. 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.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
- (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.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Physical Assault</u>: The Israeli army severely beat Arafat Ahmed Qeisiyyeh while he had been present inside the Green Line. At 20:30, Qeisiyyeh was admitted to the Hebron Public Hospital for medical treatment.

• Raids/Physical Assault:

- (i) At 04:00 on 14 January 2009, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit 'Awwa and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also severely beat and arrested 1 child.

Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ahmeh 'Aqel al Masalmeh in the town of Beit 'Awwa.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Naji Abdul Rahman al Qassas, 17 years old, in Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 18:30, a group of Israeli settlers cut down 30 olive trees on a piece of land belonging to Khalil ar Raba'i near the settlement of Ma'on.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

• 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.

	• <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u> : The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened intensive fire towards civilians and property in the district of Central Gaza. The Israeli army also fired intensively from its location on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the district of Northern Gaza. In addition, the Israeli navy opened fire and fired missile mortars towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beaches of the districts of Central Gaza, Khan Yunis, and Rafah.
NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. Attack: In the evening of 14 January 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land and civilian houses east of the town of Jabalya.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (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. Air Patrol: At 14:50, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Attack: At dawn on 15 January 2010, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at east off of the beach of the city of Deir al Balah. Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: In the morning of 14 January 2010, the Israeli army, including 5 armoured vehicles and 3 bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided 300 meters into Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp. The Israeli army opened intensive fire civilian houses and property and levelled agricultural land.
KHAN YUNIS	<u>Attack</u> : At dawn on 15 January 2010, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at east off of the beach of the city of Khan Yunis.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow access to 100 ill civilians, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, diesel for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas. Access was also allowed to export 3 shipments of strawberries and 1 shipment of flowers.

• Attacks:

- (i) In the evening of 14 January 2010, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire and fired a number of missile mortars towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite the beach of the city of Rafah.
- (ii) At dawn on 15 January 2010, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite the beach of the city of Rafah.