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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 15 January 2005 – 08:00 16 January 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	8	8	Incl. 5 in Gaza, incl. 1 child
Physical Assaults	3	—	3	Incl. 1 child severely beaten in Jayyus
Injuries	—	16	16	Incl. 1 child and 1 officer
Air Attack	—	1	1	1 helicopter missile towards 1 house
Attacks	5	8	13	Incl. 2 during raids and 6 from posts
Raids	23	2	25	Incl. 5 in Ramallah and 3 in Salfit
Air Patrols	—	3	3	Incl. helicopters over Beit Hanun
Arrests (per person)	15	—	15	Incl. 2 officers
Detentions	4	2	6	Incl. in residential compounds
Land Levelling	—	2	2	Agricultural land, incl. south of Gaza
Wall Construction	20	—	20	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	—	4	4	Incl. 1 house and crops damaged
Attack on Property	1	—	1	Sultan's Pool maintenance prohibited
House Occupation	—	1*	1*	*Unidentified number of houses
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 2 in Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	4	1	5	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(6)	—	Incl. 1 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Incl. 1 partially open
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	2	Incl. 1 Pal. post raided in Salfit
Palestinian Attacks	—	4	4	Incl. 7 Qassam mortars
TOTAL	86	59	145	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<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 crossing the Green Line, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat.
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<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 to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its measures at An Nabi Samwil and Qalandiya checkpoints, which control movement between the districts of Jerusalem and Ramallah, and impeded civilian movement. 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 was resumed 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. Attack on Property: The Israeli Jerusalem Municipality prevented the Palestinian Religious Endowment Department from cleaning the area of As Sultan Pool in An Nasara (the Christian) quarter in the old city of Jerusalem. As Sultan Pool is affiliated with the Religious Endowment Department.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Checkpoints: At 08:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Ni'lin detained civilians' IDs and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village. Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the dirt road between the village of Surda and Al Jalazun refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles. At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Kharbatha Al Misbah and Deir Qaddis and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<p>(iii) At 10:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road, impeded civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches, and arrested 6 civilians. The flying checkpoint was removed at a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the villages of Kafr ‘Ein and Qarawat Bani Zeid and patrolled the area. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (iv) At 24:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled the area. • Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road arrested 6 unidentified civilians.
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 was resumed in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and ‘Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Al Kafriyyat road and ‘Einav gate, 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Jarushiya junction, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians’ IDs, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Iktaba and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 17:40, an Israeli army patrol raided Nur Shams refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army withdrew from the area at a later time. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on Al Jarushiya junction arrested Jamil Samir Raddad.

<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<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. • Physical Assault: Israeli troops severely beat Fayez Shamasneh, a child, while he was travelling to his land located behind the Wall in the town of Jayyus. • Attack: At 18:45, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in the vicinity of the Wall west of the city of Qalqiliya towards civilian houses in the city. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Amin and detained the IDs of 4 civilians. (ii) At 19:15, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of 'Azzun and patrolled the area. (iii) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Magharat Ad Dab'a, located behind the Wall, searched 2 houses, and withdrew at 03:40.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, set up 1 checkpoint near An Najah University and another checkpoint on the junction to the village of Zawata, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:40 on 06 January 2005, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Yousef An Najjar while was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence. (ii) At dawn on 11 January 2005, the Israeli army arrested Hassan 'Odeh in the town of Huwwara. (iii) At 11:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at entrance to the town of Beit Iba arrested Mikhat Mustafa Suwwan.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed 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. • Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit and raided 1 Palestinian National Security location. At 16:20, the Israeli army raided the city and the Palestinian National Security location again, examined the IDs of the officers present at the location, and severely beat 1 officer.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 18:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Bidya and arrested 2 civilians. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Bidya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Samer Tawfiq Abu Khayzaran; and (ii) Srour 'Aziz 'Aql.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army closed all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented Israeli ID card holders from entering the city. • Raid: At 19:45, the Israeli army raided 1 civilian farm in the city of Jericho, fired flares, searched the farm, and withdrew at a later time.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was resumed north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and severely beat 1 civilian, after which he was transported to hospital. The Israeli army also patrolled the area. (ii) At 17:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and 'Ayda refugee camp and patrolled the area. (iii) At 21:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, detained 5 civilians, and searched 1 house. At 22:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed 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. • Flying Checkpoints: At 10:30, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints on Al Fawwar, Kharsa, and Ar Ramadin junctions, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. • Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, Israeli army patrols raided and patrolled the towns of Dura, Yatta, and As Samoa'. (ii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Ash Sheikh neighbourhood in the city of Hebron and arrested 2 Palestinian Police officers.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 Palestinian Police officers in Ash Sheikh neighbourhood in the city of Hebron: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nour Al Ja'bari; and (ii) Shawqi Usamah Khalil. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Rashed Al Batran in the town of Idhna.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to foreign diplomatic vehicles and ill civilians only. • Air Attack: At 00:25, Israeli army helicopters fired 1 missile towards 1 house on As Salatin Street in the town of Beit Lahiya, causing damage to the house. • Attack: At 20:30, Israeli helicopters opened machinegun fire towards the School of Agriculture in the town of Beit Hanun. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:40, 3 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 07:30, 4 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line and the settlement of Dugit.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army denied civilians access to the sea and prevented fishermen from sailing until further notice. (ii) At 21:40, the Israeli army closed Sheikh 'Ajlin road south of Sheikh 'Ajlin junction with dirt barricades. At 08:00, the road was reopened. (iii) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (iv) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (v) Nahal 'Oz Crossing is closed. • Raid/House Occupations/Land Levelling: Beginning at 07:55 on 15 January 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in Palestinian territory north of Ash Shuhada' junction, and raided Az Zaytoun neighbourhood, the area of Al Maslakh Al Gharbi, and the car market south of Gaza city. Israeli army helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the area. Israeli army tanks fired shells and helicopters opened intensive fire towards civilian houses, killing 5 civilians, including 1 child, and injuring 10 individuals, including 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer and 1 civilian, who is in critical condition. The Israeli army also occupied a number of houses, converted them into military posts, and levelled agricultural land. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killings:</u> The Israeli army killed 5 civilians south of Gaza city: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Farouq Bathatho, 16 years old; (ii) Abdul Rahman Mohammed As Sousi; (iii) Yihya Fayez Abu Mihsen; (iv) Haytham Abu Nuqeirah; and (v) Issa Ibrahim Kishko.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 15:35, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided 150 meters into the area southwest of the city of Deir Al Balah, demolished 1 Palestinian National Security location, and levelled agricultural land. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 21:20, an armed confrontation took place between Palestinian armed individuals and the Israeli army in Abu 'Arif Street near the settlement of Kfar Darom.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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 closed. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 15:40, the Israeli army began to frequently close Salah Ad Din road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoints. At 08:00, the road was reopened. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Gadid towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. (ii) At 19:05, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 5 towards civilian houses in As Satr Al Gharbi in Khan Yunis. (iii) At 22:20, the Israeli army opened fire towards 1 civilian near Kissufim road, killing him. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Abdul Ra'ouf Abu Namous near Kissufim road.
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 remains closed for the 2nd consecutive month. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At 12:30, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell towards a civilian crowd near Salah Ad Din gate, killing 2 civilians and injuring 6 others, including 1 child. • <u>Killings:</u> The Israeli army killed 2 civilians near Salah Ad Din gate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nidhal Iyad Abu Tuyour; and (ii) Hazem Tal'at Al Hout.

GENERAL

<p>POLITICAL PRISONERS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Fire at Ketziot Military Prison Camp:</u> 2 political prisoners were injured with burns as a result of a fire which began in Section 6 of Ketziot Military Prison Camp due to the negligence of the Israeli prison administration in repairing damages to the electricity network in the prison sections. The fire spread throughout the prisoners' tents as prison fire trucks could not reach the site of the fire, resulting in the damage of prisoners' personal belongings, an estimated value of NIS 120,000. 1,400 political prisoners are held in Ketziot Military Prison Camp, including 80 political detainees held under administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial).
<p>WORK PERMITS</p>	<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 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 to enter the Industrial Zone. However, workers were not allowed access to the Industrial Zone 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 cancelled all permits issued to 2,375 construction workers to remain overnight inside the Green Line.