مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 16 January 2011 – 08:00, 17 January 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	1	1	2	1 in Ramallah & 1 in Northern Gaza
Physical Assaults	4	_	4	Incl. severely beat a civilian & his mother
Arrests (per person)	5	_	5	Incl. 1 in Qalqiliya & 1 in Jericho
Detentions	12	_	12	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	13	1	14	Incl. 3 in Qalqiliya & 3 in Nablus
Checkpoints	8	_	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	25	_	25	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya & 2 in Tulkarm
Attacks	4	3	7	Incl. 4 attacks during confrontations
Air Patrols		2	2	Copters & recon. above Central Gaza
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	Detaining a National Security vehicle
Land Leveling		1	1	Area of land in Central Gaza
Wall Construction	13	_	13	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	43	_	43	Incl. 2 in Tulkarm & 1 in Jenin
Closure of Crossing Points		4	4	Partial opening of 3 crossings
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Hurling stones at vehicles in Nablus district
Palestinian Attacks	_	3	3	Incl. fire 4 mortars towards the Green Line
TOTAL	137	15	152	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the occupied city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque, and prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city, except those possessing Israeli permits.
- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa.

• 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 in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa, which leads to the city of Jerusalem, by an iron gate, and allows civilians access to occupied Jerusalem city through Oalandiya checkpoint only.

• <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and only allows holders of Jerusalem IDs to access the city of Jerusalem.

- <u>Attack</u>: At 17:30, the Israeli army in Silwan neighborhood in occupied Jerusalem city fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun grenades and tear gas bombs towards civilians under the pretext of throwing stones as the Israeli army attempted to storm a house.
- Arrest: On 16 January 2011, the Israeli army arrested at Hizma checkpoint the civilian Yousef Muhammad Al Khatib from the village of Hizma after severely beating him and his mother while crossing the checkpoint.

• 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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues north of Qalandiya village, south of Az-Za'im village and al-'Eizariya Valley and west of the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim.

JERUSALEM

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village, Safa village and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. Flying Checkpoint: At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Yabrud village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beituniya town. Attack: At 10:15, the Israeli army near the entrance to Ofar military camp, east of Beituniya town, fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas bombs towards a number of children under the pretext of throwing stones. As a result, the child Aref Maher Faqha was injured. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud, in the periphery of the settlement of Ofarim and north of the villages of Al Lubban Al Gharbi and Rantis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. 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.
TOUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr Al Labad and the village of Shofeh and the road between the villages of Shofeh and Izbat Shofeh. Checkpoint: At 21:20, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Einav checkpoint, that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road, and impeded civilian access. Flying Checkpoints: At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. 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.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit, detained a Palestinian National Security vehicle and allowed it to pass following DCO intervention. At 11:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Hajja and searched civilians and vehicles.

- (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Izbat At-Tabib, on Qalqiliya Nablus main road, and arrested a civilian.
- (iv) At 18:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- (i) At 11:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus, detained the civilian Iyad Saleem Shamasneh while patrolling the area and released him at a later time.
- (ii) At 19:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of An Nabi Elias.
- (iii) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Asla village
- Attack: At 12:00, the Israeli army near the town of Habla fired tear gas bombs towards civilians planting trees in their land that is located near the Wall under the pretext of throwing stones.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested near the village of Izbat At-Tabib, on Qalqiliya Nablus main road, the civilian Samer Khaled Amin Abu Haniya.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and search civilians, including students, with a detector.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Ar-Rasha and prevent the access of its inhabitants. The Israeli army only allows the passage of students to their schools outside the village through Habla town gate, while allowing the passage of civilians through gate # 109.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues on land belonging to the village of Kafr Laqif, north of the settlement of Karni Shomron, on land belonging to the village of Immatin, northeast of the settlement of 'Amano'el, and east of the town of Kafr Thulth near the settlement of Ma'aleh Shomron.

• 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 road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin.

(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.

• Checkpoints:

(i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only from 07:00 until 02:00.

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(ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00.
Flying Checkpoints:

At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:00.
(ii) At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction

- leading to the village of Sarra (on Nablus-Qalqiliya main road). Again at 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:45.
- (iii) At 13:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Qusin. Again at 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:40.
- (iv) At 15:20, 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 until 16:30.
- (v) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Burin and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vi) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf (on Nablus-Tulkarm main road) and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:00.

• Raids:

- (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Jamma'in and searched 2 houses.
- (ii) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sarra until 00:30.
- (iii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Till until 03:25.
- **Physical Assault:** At 19:50, the Israeli army severely beat near the town of Beit Iba the civilian Muhammad Kamal Jum'ah from the town of Beit Lid in Tulkarm district. As a result, he sustained contusions and evacuated to hospital for treatment.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 23:50, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Eili hurled stones towards civilian vehicles travelling on Nablus Ramallah main road.

• Closure of Main Roads:

(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin.

- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances of 2 side roads between the village of Marda and its agricultural land.
- (iii) On 14 November 2011, the Israeli army opened the northern entrance to the city of Salfit (that has been closed for 7 years) and allowed the access of passenger buses only.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access.

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	 Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the village of Hares and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 08:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Biddya. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of the town of Deir Istiya (southeast of the settlement of 'Amanu'el).
JERICHO	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those with permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Az-Zubeidat and searched a house. At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Jericho and Ein As Sultan refugee camp in the city, arrested a civilian in the refugee camp and withdrew at 02:00. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in Ein As-Sultan refugee camp in the city of Jericho the civilian Tarek Ziyad Ash-Sheikh Ali.
BETHLEHEM	 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) As of 15 September 2007, the Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access, pursuant to military order # 07/02, to 22 dunum area confiscated according to military order # 07/31 to establish a crossing point in the area of Al Mazmuriya between the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town and the agricultural road that is located between the town of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. Physical Assault: At 09:00, the Israeli army at Gilo checkpoint, north of Bethlehem city, severely beat the civilian Fayeq Salah under the pretext of not having entry permit to Jerusalem city. As a result, he sustained contusions and evacuated to hospital for treatment. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr and Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to al Laban Market by iron boards. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 09/06 closing the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuating those inside it and preventing civilians from accessing it. This is the land seized for military purposes for the construction of the Wall.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to 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 bypass Road # 60.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the side roads off the bypass road leading to the town of Yatta.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Halhul town. Again at 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 17:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Farsh Al Hawa, north of Hebron city (off bypass road # 35), and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 18:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Awwa and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.

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(ii) At 16:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area. The Israeli army withdrew at 17:35.

• Arrests:

- (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army arrested at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Ash Shuhada' Street in the old city of Hebron the civilian Hisham Odeh Al Bayadh.
- (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army arrested in the neighborhood of Abu Snaineh in the old city of Hebron the civilian Abdulfattah Muhammad Al Atrash.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

- At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period.
- The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by raiding Palestinian territory, opening fire in Central Gaza and opening fire from its locations on the Green Line in the districts of Northern Gaza and Central Gaza. As a result, a civilian was injured in Northern Gaza district.
- Armed Palestinian groups violated the ceasefire by firing 4 mortars towards the Green Line and detonating an explosive device near an Israeli army patrol driving near the border fence.

NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for the passage of critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, the staff of international humanitarian organizations, traders, businessmen and civilians travelling through Al Karama Crossing who have prior coordination.
- <u>Attack</u>: In the morning of 16 January 2011, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line towards a number of civilian workers north of Beit Lahiya town injuring the civilian Adham Ramadan Suboh.
- Palestinian Attacks:
- (i) In the evening of 16 January 2011, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
- (ii) In the morning of 17 January 2011, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.

GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. 	
CENTRAL GAZA	 Raid: At dawn on 17 January 2011, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles and 2 bulldozers covered by helicopter gunships and reconnaissance aircrafts, raided Palestinian territory of Al Bureij refugee camp and opened fire intensively while leveling an area of land. Palestinian Attack: In the evening of 16 January 2011, members of armed Palestinian groups detonated an explosive device near an Israeli army patrol driving near the border fence, near Kissufim gate. The Israeli army opened fire intensively towards Palestinian territory northeast of Al Qarara town. 	
KHAN YOUNIS	Events not reported.	
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open for the departure of sick civilians, students and visa holders, and for the entry of civilians and patients who received treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the entry of food, humanitarian assistance, a quantity of diesel for the electricity plant, cooking gas, and for the export of 5 truckloads of strawberries and flowers. 	

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POLITICAL PRISONERS	• The Israeli military court at Al Maskobieh Detention and Interrogation Centre passed a 1 year prison sentence against 15-year-old child Mu'taz Fayez Ar-Rajabi from the neighborhood of Silwan in occupied Jerusalem city. The child was sentenced to 1 full year prison term under the pretext of participating in protests against settlement projects in Silwan neighborhood.
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