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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 17 January 2005 – 08:00 18 January 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian beaten in Tura Al Gharbiya
Injuries	—	3	3	Incl. a 3-year-old child in Khan Yunis
Attacks	3	9	12	3 during raids and 9 from mil. posts
Raids	24	3	27	Incl. 7 in Ramallah and 3 in Jenin
Arrests (per person)	27	1	28	Incl. 9 in Ramallah & 8 in Bethlehem
Detentions	5	3	8	Incl. in residential compounds
House Demolitions	2	—	2	In the village of Al Walaja
Land Levelling	—	2	2	East of Al Bureij refugee camp
Wall Construction	20	—	20	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	1 barracks and crops
House Occupations	2	—	2	In the town of Beit 'Awwa
Curfews	5	—	5	Incl. in Al Walaja and Deir Samit
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 2 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	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	—	5	5	Incl. 1 partially open
Medical Obstruction	1	—	1	Ambulances denied access
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	1	Forces ordered to remove barricades
Palestinian Attacks	1	6	7	Incl. exchange of fine in Jenin
TOTAL	106	34	140	

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 continues to intensify restrictions 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 continues 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the town of Kharbatha Bani Harith and the village of Deir Qaddis and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of Halamish, searched vehicles and civilians, including female civilians, detained 2 civilians, and arrested 1 civilian. Raids/Medical Obstruction: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> On 16 January 2005, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Mash'al and arrested 1 civilian. At 10:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and patrolled the area. At 11:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah, set up a checkpoint at its southern entrance, and searched civilians and

	<p>vehicles. At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iv) At 20:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, halted a civilian vehicle, and arrested 3 civilians who were in the vehicle. The Israeli army also opened fire towards 2 young civilians after they threw a Molotov cocktail at an Israeli army jeep and prevented ambulances from accessing the area. At 24:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <p>(v) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Ghassana and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(vi) The Israeli army raided the village of Al Lubban Al Gharbi and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Nasser Hassan Abdul Wahed in the village of Deir Abu Mash'al. (ii) Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of Halamish arrested Ibrahim Nour Ad Din Sneif. <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Beituniya:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Amin Shihadeh Khreish; (iv) Khudheir 'Awni Khudheir; and (v) Raed Abdul Rahman Al 'Amouri. (vi) The Israeli army arrested Mazen Hajjaj in the village of Deir Ghassana. (vii) The Israeli army arrested Bassem Salah Radhi in the village of Al Lubban Al Gharbi. <p>At 17:45, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on 'Atara overpass arrested 2 civilians:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (viii) Hussam Qassem 'Odeh; and (ix) Fadi Nabil Abdullah.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army closed Tayasir checkpoint along the road between the town of Tubas and the area of the Jordan Valley, detaining hundreds of civilians at both sides of the checkpoint. • <u>Raids/ Physical Assault:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp and exchanged fire with armed Palestinian individuals. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses, and arrested 4

	<p>civilians, including 1 civilian in Jenin refugee camp. At 06:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Tura Al Gharbiya, fired tear gas and sound grenades towards 1 house, and severely beat 1 civilian residing in the house.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Jenin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Haydar Abu Muweis; (ii) Fadi As Sa'di; and (iii) Tareq Zayed. (iv) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Amin Dhabaya in Jenin refugee camp.
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 Checkpoint: At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Ras Rummana along the road to the town of Baqa Ash Sharqiya, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and arrested 1 civilian. At 17:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at Ras Abu Rummana checkpoint arrested Ashraf Abdul Ghani Jaber. (ii) At 18:30, Israeli troops positioned at Al Kafriyyat checkpoint arrested Ala' 'Abbas Nasr Allah.
QALQILYA	<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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Hajja and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 21:30, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 2 jeeps, raided the town of 'Azzun and patrolled the area. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint at the gate to the town and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids/Curfew: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the villages of An Nassariya and Al 'Aqrabaniya, imposed curfew, and searched a number of houses. At 22:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	<p>(ii) At 20:15, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided Al Quds Street in the city of Nablus and the entrance to Balata refugee camp. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the area again, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 02:30.</p>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Land levelling for Wall construction continues 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Kafr Ad Dik and Bruqin and impeded civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches.
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. • Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army closed Al Hamra checkpoint between the cities of Nablus and Jericho, detaining dozens of civilian vehicles at both sides of the checkpoint. At 22:00, the checkpoint was reopened. • Raid/Curfew: At 08:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Auja, imposed curfew, and patrolled the area. At 24:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
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 continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan. • Raids/Destruction of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 07:00 on 17 January 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the village of Al Walaja. The Israeli army demolished 2 houses and 1 barracks, in addition to those reported yesterday. (ii) At 14:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:15, the Israeli

	<p>army raided the town again and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Fajjar, searched a number of houses, and arrested 8 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 8 civilians in the town of Beit Fajjar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ra'fat Mahmmoud Taqatqah; (ii) Usamah Mohammed Taqatqah; (iii) Mohammed Ali Taqatqah; (iv) Iyad Abdul Rahman Taqatqah; (v) Jawad Ibrahim Thawabteh; (vi) Mohammed Salah Taqatqah; (vii) Jihad Abdul Halim Al Hajj; and (viii) 'Imad Ahmed Al Hajj. • House Demolitions: The Israeli army demolished 2 houses in the village of Al Walaja, claiming that they were constructed without the required licenses, belonging to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Samir Jubran; and (ii) Ahmed Al Atrash.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, preventing civilian movement. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues 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. • Raids/House Occupations/Curfews: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 02:00 on 17 January 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the town of Beit 'Awwa, occupied 2 houses, converted them into a military posts, imposed curfew, and arrested 4 civilians. At 06:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Samit, imposed curfew, and withdrew at 06:00. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Beit 'Awwa: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abdul Qader 'Adel Subh; (ii) Mahmoud Hassan Abdul Fattah; (iii) Mahmoud 'Aql Masalmeh; and (iv) Isma'il Abdul Qader Al Masri.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to foreign diplomatic vehicles and ill civilians only. • Raid: At 18:15, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks, raided 500 meters into Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun. • Palestinian Attack: At 06:30, 3 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:50, the Israeli army closed Sheikh ‘Ajlin road south of Sheikh ‘Ajlin junction with dirt barricades. At 09:10, the road was reopened. (ii) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (iii) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. • Attack: At 20:35, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell towards civilian houses in Az Zaytoun neighbourhood, injuring 1 civilian.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 07:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Kfar Darom towards Palestinian territory south of the city of Deir Al Balah, injuring 1 civilian. • Raids/Land Levelling: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:50, the Israeli army, including 5 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided the area of Abu Khouah east of Al Bureij refugee camp, ordered Palestinian National Security forces (through the DCO) to remove the dirt barricades erected in the area surrounding a Palestinian National Security location, and levelled agricultural land. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided 500 meters into Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp and levelled land. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:40, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom. (ii) At 05:50, 3 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom. The Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire towards civilian houses in the area of ‘Abu ‘Arif. (iii) At 07:30, 3 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom. The Israeli army responded by opening fire towards civilian houses in the area of Abu ‘Arif.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al ‘Ajlin 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.

	<p>(iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 13:10, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoints and searched civilian vehicles travelling between the 2 checkpoints. At 16:00, the Israeli army closed the road again, detained 1 civilian, and arrested another. The road was later reopened.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 20:35, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its locations at Points 9, 10, 11, and 12 towards civilian houses in Al Amal and An Namsawi neighbourhoods and West Khan Yunis refugee camp, injuring 3-year-old Hussein Hussam Abu Matroud. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at Abu Holi checkpoint arrested Mohammed Na'im Qishtah. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:10, 3 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Gadid. The Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. (ii) At 18:20, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid. The Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire towards civilian houses in the area of Al Qarara.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Bank: <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. • Gaza Strip: <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.
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