

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 19 January 2004 – 08:00 20 January 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	1	<b>1</b>	By landmine near border
Injuries	1	28	<b>29</b>	Incl. 3 child., 25 work. suffoc.
Attacks	3	10	<b>13</b>	Incl. 2 Nat. Security posts
Raids	26	1	<b>27</b>	
Air Patrols	3	—	<b>3</b>	
Arrests (per person)	26	1	<b>27</b>	Incl. 16 yr. old & officer
Detentions	3	—	<b>3</b>	Dozens of civilians at chpnts.
House Demolitions	1	15	<b>16</b>	Incl. 3 partially demolished
Land Leveling	—	1	<b>1</b>	
Separation Wall Const.	3	—	<b>3</b>	Jerusalem, Jenin & Ramallah
Destruction of Property	3	—	<b>3</b>	
House Occupation	1	—	<b>1</b>	
Curfews	2	—	<b>2</b>	
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	12	—	<b>12</b>	
Closures (per District)	12	—	<b>12</b>	Incl. Tul, Qal.. & W. Ram.
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	<b>Most</b>	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	—	<b>All</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	<b>3</b>	1 Partially open to workers
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	Set fire to civilian car
Religious Site	—	1	<b>1</b>	Part. demol. of mosque, Rafah
Demonstrations	1	1	<b>2</b>	Solidarity with pol. prisoners
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>160</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The city of Jerusalem remains closed to residents from other districts. The Israeli authorities continue to intensify restrictions on movement inside the city, closed all checkpoints, and detained dozens of civilians in the eastern part of the city.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the separation wall continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis and Al Sawahira.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to seal off the villages of Kafr Ni'ma, Ras Karkar, Deir Ammar, and Al Janiya, west of Ramallah city, with dirt mounds. The Israeli army prevented civilians from using alternative dirt roads to reach their destinations.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army sealed off the villages of Bani Zeid Al Gharbiya after closing the iron gate at the junction of the village of Al Nabi Salih and set up several checkpoints in the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the western portion of the separation wall in Budrus and Rantis continues.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 22:00, and again at 00:30 and 03:00, the Israeli army, including 1 military personnel carrier, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, imposed curfew and searched several houses.</li> <li>(ii) At 24:00, 7 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched several houses before withdrawing at 02:10.</li> <li>(iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ghassana, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and the town of Betunia, searched 2 houses and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>(v) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, searched 2 houses and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>(vi) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah, searched 1 building and arrested 4 civilians.</li> <li>(vii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ghassana, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(viii) The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Malik, occupied 1 house and converted it into a military post.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army arrested Ibrahim Samir Al Rifa'i in the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Al Barghouti, 38 years old, in the town of Deir Ghassana.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army arrested Nasir Abu Salim, 35 years old, in west Ramallah.</li> <li>(iv) The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in El Bireh: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Abu Ashraf Warda; and</li> <li>2. Ghassan Al Adasi.</li> </ol> </li> <li>(v) The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Ramallah: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ra'fat Muhammad Shamma, 21 years old;</li> <li>2. Wafi Al Turk, 24 years old;</li> <li>3. Hazim Ahmad Yusif, 21 years old; and</li> <li>4. Ala Gheneim.</li> </ol> </li> <li>(vi) The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the cities of Ramallah and Betunia: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ayman A'd; and</li> <li>2. Khaled Abu Al Baha'.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Demonstration:</b> At 13:00, a demonstration took place on the premises of the Palestinian Ministerial Council. Protestors submitted a petition to Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmad Qrei' demanding the release of Palestinians from Israeli prisons.</li> </ul>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction / Land Leveling:</b> Land leveling in the northern valleys (Bardala, and 'Ein al Beida) and east of Tubas (Al Mutilla, Al Mughayyir, Raba, and Al Buqei' plateau) continues.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Beit Jala/Al Walaja road remains closed by dirt and rock mounds.</li> <li>(ii) The southern entrance to the city remains closed.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army closed the gates of Al Kafriyat and Enav, separating Tulkarem from the Nablus and Qalqiliya districts.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:30, an Israeli jeep set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Nur Shams refugee camp and arrested 1 male and his father.</li> <li>(ii) At 08:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the town of Bal'a on the Tulkarem/Nablus road, stopped vehicles, detained passengers, confiscated their IDs, tore apart several IDs and physically assaulted several of the detained civilians.</li> <li>(iii) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Al Jarushiya (on the alternative road connecting Tulkarem with its northern villages and the district of Jenin) obstructed movement of traffic, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs.</li> <li>(iv) At 11:00, an Israeli APC set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Iktaba, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs.</li> <li>(v) At 16:20, 2 Israeli army jeeps set up a flying checkpoint at Shuweika Square inside the city and examined civilian IDs.</li> <li>• <b><u>Separation Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta. The Israeli army remains position in the town as of 08:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 07:40, the Israeli army positioned in the town was reinforced with several tanks and APCs and continues to search houses in Tulkarem.</li> <li>(iii) At 10:20, and again at 11:00 and 23:20, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem.</li> <li>(iv) At 05:30, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp and imposed curfew.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Air Patrol:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:15, Israeli military and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over Tulkarem city and refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) At 08:30, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over Tulkarem city and refugee camp.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians near Nur Shams refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abdallah Khadra, 38 years old; and</li> <li>(ii) Salih Khadra, 18 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Nablus remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from leaving or entering the city.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army closed off the village of Till, prevented civilians from entering or leaving the area and fired at civilians who attempted to leave.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army closed the entrance of the town of Beit Furik and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>prevented students from reaching their schools located outside the town.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the old city of Nablus and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided ‘Ein Beit al Ma’ refugee camp, searched several houses and arrested 2 brothers.</li> <li>(iii) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided ‘Asker refugee camp, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Zawata, searched 1 house and arrested 1 college student.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in Nablus city:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Fadi Al Jad, 21 years old.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in ‘Ein Beit al Ma’ refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) Majid Abu Daoud, 19 years old; and</li> <li>(iii) Amir Abu Daoud, 18 years old.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in ‘Asker refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iv) Samir Aboud, 23 years old.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in Zawata refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(v) Firas Ghaleb, 18 years old.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian at the checkpoint of Qusin:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(vi) Abdul Karim Abed Rabo, 22 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HEBRON</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> The Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, searched several houses, exploded the entrances of houses, destroyed their contents, detained residents outside and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b><u>House Demolition:</u></b> The Israeli army demolished the house of Bakir Shehadeh, a prisoner currently in Israeli prison, in Yatta.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested Ali Al Hureini.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>QALQILYA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the town of ‘Azzun and the iron gate at the northern entrance. The Israeli army set up a checkpoint under the bridge leading to the northern villages, cutting access from Qalqilya to all villages located in the north, south, and east and completely isolating the district from Tulkarem.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jinsafut, isolating it from its eastern villages.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Separation Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 15:30, Israeli Special Forces, supported by several jeeps, raided the center of the city, and detained 5 civilians, 4 of whom were later released.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the city at 17:00, searched 2 houses and confiscated 1 computer.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the city, searched 2 houses and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Sa'd Hammad, 23 years old; and</li> <li>(ii) Nael Hammad 28 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up several flying checkpoints on the main road of Za'tara/South Qalqiliya and at the entrance of the village of Haris near the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan.</li> <li>(ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Bruqin and obstructed movement of traffic.</li> <li>(iii) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the Atara bridge, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs.</li> <li>(iv) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance of the town of Jamma'in, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs.</li> <li>(v) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Zawiya bridge and obstructed movement of traffic.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Attack:</u></b> At 09:40, the Israeli army opened fire from the settlement of Alkanet towards the village of Sanniriya, injuring 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ballut.</li> <li>(ii) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Istiya, opened fire, fired sound bombs, searched several houses and arrested 4 civilians, including a Palestinian Preventive Security officer.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Settler Violence:</u></b> At 00:40, settlers set fire to a civilian vehicle in the village of Yasuf.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Deir Istiya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Jamal Al Ahmad, Palestinian Preventive Security officer;</li> <li>(ii) Rami Mansur;</li> <li>(iii) Daoud Obeid; and</li> <li>(iv) Abdul Hamid Khatib.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## GAZA STRIP

<p><b>NORTHERN GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Erez crossing was partially open to workers.</li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 21:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Dokeet towards 2 Palestinian National Security locations in the area of Al Sudaniya, west of Beit Lahia.</li> <li>(ii) At 06:45, the Israeli army fired 2 tear gas grenades at workers gathered at the Erez Crossing, causing 25 workers to lose consciousness from tear gas inhalation. The workers were transferred to hospital.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<p><b>GAZA CITY</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed.</li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from a tank and fired 1 shell towards the city of Al Zahra'.</li> <li>(ii) At 16:40, Israeli combat boats opened intensive fire towards the coast of Gaza city.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Demonstration:</b> At 11:50, a demonstration, including mainly students, took place at the Palestinian Legislative Council demanding the Council to condemn recent Israeli announcements stating that Sheik Ahmad Yasin will be targeted for assassination.</li> </ul>
<p><b>CENTRAL GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<p><b>KHAN YUNIS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Abu Holi road is partially open (was closed twice).</li> <li>(iv) Al Tuffah checkpoint, connecting the city of Khan Younis to Al Mawasi, is closed for the second consecutive day and will remain closed for 1 week.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Killing:</b> Farid Abu Ismael, 25 years old, was killed by a landmine near the poultry farm where he worked, close to the town of Abasan.</li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 20:25, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 12 towards Al Namsawi neighborhood.</li> <li>(ii) At 07:00, the Israeli army, positioned at Al Tuffah, fired several sound bombs towards civilian residential area.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Sufa crossing was partially open to workers.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>House Demolitions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 16:15, the Israeli army partially demolished 3 houses near Rafah crossing.</li> <li>(ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army demolished 12 houses in Rafah refugee camp, and partially demolished Al Nur Mosque, which had previously been partially demolished. The Israeli army opened intensive fire from 5 APCs during the demolitions.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 09:55, an Israeli tank fired 1 shell towards the neighborhood of Tal Al Sultan, injuring 3 children by shrapnel.</li> <li>• <b>Raid / Land Leveling:</b> At 12:50, the Israeli army raided the area of Al Dhihaniya near Al Owda crossing and arrested 1 child after searching his house. Israeli bulldozers leveled agricultural land in the area.</li> <li>• <b>Injuries:</b> The Israeli army injured the following children in Tel Al Sultan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Muhammad Abu Tabala, 9 years old;</li> <li>(ii) Muhammad Musa, 13 years old; and</li> <li>(iii) Muhammad Al Saqa, 13 years old.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested 16-year-old Muhammad Abu Suneida.</li> </ul>
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<b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b>	
<b>RAMLA PRISON</b>	250 prisoners in Al Ramla prison began a hunger strike protesting the erecting of glass barriers separating prisoners from visitors during visiting hours. Israeli security personnel have taken new restrictive measures during lawyer visits in Israeli prisons.