

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 23 January 2004 – 08:00 24 January 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	2	<b>2</b>	
Injuries	1	—	<b>1</b>	
Attacks	7	6	<b>13</b>	
Raids	17	1	<b>18</b>	
Air Patrols	2	—	<b>2</b>	
Arrests (per person)	6	1	<b>7</b>	
Detentions	3	—	<b>3</b>	Dozens of civilians at chpnts.
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	1	—	<b>1</b>	
Closures (per District)	6	—	<b>6</b>	Incl. Qalq., Tulk. & Ram. isol.
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	—	4	<b>4</b>	2 Partially open to workers
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>57</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
<b>WEST BANK</b>	
<b>JERUSALEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The old city of Jerusalem remains closed to all civilians from other districts. The Israeli authorities continue to intensify restrictions on the city, and prevented thousands of civilians from reaching Al Aqsa Mosque for Friday prayers.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the separation wall in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis and Al Sawahira was suspended for the weekend.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> The Israeli army raided Dahiyat Abu Dis and opened fire towards civilians with rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades.</li> </ul>
<b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the western portion of the separation wall in Budrus and Rantis was suspended over the weekend.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 00:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Rima.</li> <li>(ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the towns of Beit Rima and Deir Ghassana.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army sealed off the city and prevented civilians from entering or leaving the area.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army sealed off the village of Bardala and prevented civilians from entering or leaving the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the separation 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.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Construction:</b> Construction in the northern valleys (Bardala, and 'Ein al Beida) and east of Tubas (Al Mutilla, Al Mughayyir, Raba, and Al Buqei' plateau) was suspended for the weekend.</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> <ul 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 was opened to pedestrians.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</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. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr Al Labad.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of ‘Anabta.</li> <li>(iii) At 20:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp and indiscriminately opened fire.</li> <li>(iv) At 21:10, the Israeli army reinforced its presence in Tulkarem refugee camp and opened fire at civilian vehicles. Israeli Special Forces entered the area and indiscriminately opened fire.</li> <li>(v) At 21:15, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the city, took up positions in the main neighborhoods, opened fire towards civilians, injuring 1 civilian, raided a café and detained all its patrons before withdrawing at 05:30.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Air Patrol:</b> At 07:30, Israeli helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the city and refugee camp at low altitude throughout the day.</li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> In addition to the 2 civilians arrested yesterday in the city of Tulkarem, it was confirmed today that 3 other civilians were also arrested: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasir Fattuh;</li> <li>(ii) Sa’id Al Jayyusi; and</li> <li>(iii) Nael Haykal.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Nablus remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from leaving or entering the city.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 01:10, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city and took up positions throughout the city for several hours.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik and arrested 3 civilians.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Kafr ad Dik: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Nayif ad Dik;</li> <li>(ii) Odeh ad Dik; and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iii) Fayiz ad Dik.</li> <li>• <b>Settler Provocation:</b> Around 250 Israeli settlers, under the protection of the Israeli military, raided the city and performed prayers at Josef's grave throughout the night.</li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the town of 'Azzun and the iron gate at the northern entrance cutting access from Qalqilya to all villages located in the north, south, and east and completely isolating the district from Tulkarem.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 11:45, the Israeli army took position at the eastern entrance to the city and searched vehicles.</li> <li>• <b>Separation Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the separation 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.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 15:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in Tel Irsal towards Wadi Abdul Rahman.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:20, an Israeli jeep raided the city of Salfit.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:15, 4 Israeli jeeps raided the town of Kaf ad Dik, surrounded 1 house and detained all its residents.</li> <li>(iii) At 23:35, the Israeli army raided the villages of Mazar' an Nubani, Khirbet Qeis and the city of Salfit.</li> <li>(iv) At 23:50, an Israeli jeep raided the town of Jamma'in, opened fire and fired sound bombs.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

### GAZA STRIP

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Erez crossing was partially open to workers.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA CITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Mintar crossing (Karni) was closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 07:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 71 towards Palestinian territory, killing 2 civilians.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Killing:</u></b> The Israeli army killed 2 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ashraf Nasir Al Mubayid, 23 years old; and</li> <li>(ii) Samir Suleiman Al Mubayid, 25 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Attacks:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Abu Holi checkpoint towards Deir Al Balah.</li> <li>(ii) At 15:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards civilian houses located north and west of the settlement.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul 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 (closed once at 09:00).</li> <li>(iv) Al Tuffah checkpoint, connecting the city of Khan Yunis to Al Mawasi, is closed for the 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive day and will remain closed for 1 more day.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Attack:</u></b> At 20:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Points 8 and 9 towards civilians in Al Amal neighborhood and West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 07:50, the Israeli army raided Palestinian territory at Point 156, 500 meters into the town of Abasan al Saghira, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested Ihsan Jum'a Al Sumeiri, 20 years old.</li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></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> </ul>

## GENERAL

<b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Conditions of Detention:</u></b> Israeli prison guards collectively punished Palestinian prisoners held in Section 14 of Shatte Prison for refusing to remove their clothing for body searches. Prison guards severely beat 7 of the prisoners, and placed them in isolation cells. Two of the prisoners were also fined 900 NIS.</li> </ul>
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