

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 March 2005 – 08:00 05 March 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	65-year-old civilian severely beaten
Injuries	13	4	17	Incl. 4 children
Attacks	5	11	16	3 during raids & 13 from mil. posts
Raids	13	1	14	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 3 in Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	10	—	10	Incl. 4 children and 1 female civilian
Detentions	10	—	10	Incl. in residential compounds
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	13	—	13	Incl. 7 in Ramallah and 4 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	5	—	5	Incl. the area of As Sahleh in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 1 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	All closed
Israeli Army UXO	—	1	1	In Tall As Sultan neighbourhood
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Attempt to raid Al Aqsa Mosque
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	Incl. 1 Pal. position photographed
Palestinian Attacks	2	—	2	Incl. open fire towards Kadim
Demonstrations	4	1	5	Incl. 4 against Wall construction
TOTAL	79	23	102	

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 continues to impose strict restrictions 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. 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 suspended for the weekend 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, in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya, and in the section of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. Settler Violence: At 18:15, approximately 50 extremist Israeli settlers, under the protection of 2 Israeli Police vehicles, attempted to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound via Al Magharibah Gate. Palestinian guards of Al Aqsa Mosque confronted the Israeli settlers, closed the gates, and prevented them from entering. Demonstration: A mass demonstration took place in the village of Beit Surik in protest against Wall construction in the village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 13 civilians. Israeli troops also severely beat 65-year-old Jamil Ahmed Al 'Abed, after which he was transported to hospital for injuries sustained, and arrested 4 children. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 children in the village of Beit Surik: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mustafa Mohammed Khaled, 14 years old; (ii) Ahmed Suleiman Ash Sheikh, 14 years old; (iii) Mohammed Adib Al Jamal, 14 years old; and (iv) Nadi, from the neighbouring village of Biddu.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:40, the Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint in the village of Abu Qash and another flying checkpoint near the Palestinian mobile company (JAWWAL), north of the city of El Bireh, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. (ii) At 14:40, the Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Jalazun refugee camp and another flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Surda, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. (iii) At 19:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Ramallah in the area of Samir Amis and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) The Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint on the overpass to the village of 'Atara and another flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Deir Abu Mash'al, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. • <u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:35, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and took photographs of 1 Palestinian National Security office. At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched a number of houses in the neighbourhood of Sateh Marhaba, and detained 4 civilians. (ii) At 01:40, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and took position near the Civil Defence Department. (iii) At 22:30, Israeli Special Forces raided the village of 'Arura and searched 1 house belonging to a Palestinian Police officer, allegedly for being wanted by the Israeli army. • <u>Demonstrations:</u> 2 demonstrations took place in the villages of Saffa and Bil'in. Demonstrators performed Friday prayers on civilian land targeted for confiscation by the Israeli army for Wall construction.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • <u>Flying Checkpoints/Palestinian Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tammun and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:00. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the minor road between the town of Tammun and the village of Mirka. Armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint while they were searching civilians and vehicles. (iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the

	<p>village of An Nassariya, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tubas, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 22:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Mirka. • Palestinian Attack: At 18:30, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the settlement of Kadim. The Israeli army responded by opening fire towards civilian houses east of the city of Jenin.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav gate, which controls the road between the cities of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: At 00:45, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Bal'a and the village of Nazlat Issa and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:55, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Izbat Shufa and patrolled the area. (ii) At 22:20, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 3 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp and patrolled several neighbourhoods.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Raid: At 01:15, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 05:45.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line. • Raid: At 14:30, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Bidhya, arrested 3 civilians, and withdrew at 16:30. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Bidhya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nasser Mohammed Surouj; (ii) Rateb Mohammed Jibreel; and (iii) Yousef Abdul Rahim Abu Laila. (iv) The Israeli army arrested Kamal Nafez, a resident in the village of Rafat. • Demonstration: At 10:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the town of Deir Ballut in protest against

	<p>Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 16 civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation.</p>
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army only permitted residents of the city of Jericho to enter the city. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint, between the districts of Nablus and Jericho, and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at Al Karamah (Allenby) Bridge arrested Majidah Faddah, a female civilian from Nablus, on her way back from Jordan.
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 suspended for the weekend north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan. • Attack: At 08:40, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from the military watchtower set up in the area of An Nashash in the town of Al Khadr, preventing farmers from accessing their agricultural land in the area. • Raid: At 22:25, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • Arrest: At 06:30 on 01 March 2005, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya arrested Ramzi Ali Rabay'ah, who holds a Jordanian passport.
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, denying civilians and vehicles access. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the towns of Idhna and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, the town of Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Yatta and patrolled the area. (ii) At 23:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled several neighbourhoods.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. (iii) Nahal 'Oz Crossing is closed. (iv) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. • Attack: At 11:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its military post in the area of Malakah towards Palestinian territory south of Gaza city. • Raid: At 00:10, the Israeli army raided 200 meters into Palestinian territory west of Ash Shuhada' junction south of Gaza city, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 00:30.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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 partially open. (iv) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed. (v) Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. (vi) Morag road, which connects Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 22 towards civilian houses in the city of Khan Yunis. (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 14 and 15 towards civilian houses in the area of Batn As Samin and Qizan An Najjar south of the city of Khan Yunis. (iii) At 16:20, and again at 16:40, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 7 towards civilian houses in the area of Ad Dalta. (iv) At 16:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 170 on the Green Line towards a group of farmers east of the area of 'Abasan.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its military post in Tall

	<p>Zu'rub towards Palestinian territory to the north.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:40, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 19 and 22 towards civilian houses in Canada refugee camp and Tall As Sultan neighbourhood west of the city of Rafah.</p> <p>(iii) At 17:25, the Israeli army opened fire towards a number of children in the area of Canada refugee camp.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Israeli Army UXO:</u> At 12:30, an Israeli army UXO exploded in the area opposite Point 23 in Tall As Sultan neighbourhood west of the city of Rafah, injuring 4 children (1 of whom is in critical condition).• <u>Demonstration:</u> At 17:00, a mass rally took place on Barqah playground in the city of Rafah in solidarity with political prisoners held in Israeli prisons.
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