

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 05 March 2005 – 08:00 06 March 2005

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 elderly civilian beaten in Salfit
Attacks	2	2	<b>4</b>	1 from a mil. posts & 1 by settlers
Raids	18	1	<b>19</b>	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 7 in Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	2	3	<b>5</b>	Incl. 3 children and 4 officers
Detentions	9	1	<b>10</b>	Incl. at checkpoints
Wall Construction	19	—	<b>19</b>	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Land Confiscation	3	—	<b>3</b>	Incl. 662 <i>dunums</i> in Bil'in and Saffa
Checkpoints	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	14	—	<b>14</b>	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 5 in Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	5	—	<b>5</b>	Incl. the village of An Nu'man
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	<b>3</b>	Incl. 2 partially open
Attack on Religious Sites	1	—	<b>1</b>	Call to prayers prevented in Hebron
Settler Violence	3	—	<b>3</b>	Incl. 40 <i>dunums</i> confiscated
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	<b>2</b>	Incl. patrol near 1 Pal. post
Demonstration	—	1	<b>1</b>	In An Nuseirat in support of prisoners
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>90</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul>
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li><b>Wall Gates:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction was resumed 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.</li> <li><b>Checkpoints:</b> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction was resumed in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li><b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At 10:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on 'Uyoun Al Haramiya junction along the Ramallah-Nablus main road, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also detained 1 civilian until 12:00.</li> <li>At 21:50, the Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and another flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement until 22:50.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At 15:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and patrolled the area.</li> <li>At 19:10, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the villages of Kafr 'Ein and Qarawat Bani Zeid, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid, and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:40.</li> <li>At 00:10, Israeli infantry forces raided the village of Deir Ghassana</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<p>and detained 1 civilian for a long period of time after searching his house. At 03:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Land Confiscation:</b> Israeli authorities declared the confiscation of 662 <i>dunums</i> (165.5 acres) of land belonging to the villages of Saffa and Bil'in for expansion of the settlement of Oranit. Israeli authorities also declared the confiscation of 159 <i>dunums</i> (39.75 acres) of land belonging to the village of Bil'in for expansion of the settlement of Kiryat Sever.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Mevo Dotan near the town of Ya'bad and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav gate, which controls the road between the cities of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the town of Deir Al Ghusun and the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the 'Illar-Zeita junction, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> <li>(iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of 'Attil and Deir Al Ghusun, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> <li>(iv) At 16:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of Bal'a and Deir Al Ghusun, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 17:45.</li> <li>(v) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Kafr Sur and Kafr Jammal and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 21:50, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem, Tulkarem and Nur Shams refugee camps, and the town of 'Anabta. The Israeli army patrolled the area near 1 Palestinian National Security location in the city of Tulkarem. At 01:45, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem again and</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<p>patrolled the area until 02:10.</p> <p>(iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of 'Illar and patrolled the area.</p>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> At 15:45, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Ahmed Na'im Mohammed 'Ubeid, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer.</li> <li>• <b>Detention:</b> At 10:15, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint detained Hana' Yousef Rizq for an extended period of time, as she was not carrying her ID card.</li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> At 15:40, a group of Israeli settlers raided the village of Madama and opened indiscriminate fire, provoking civilians. The Israeli army evacuated the settlers from the village.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 22:10, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Deir Istiya and searched 1 house.</li> <li>• <b>Detention:</b> Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Az Zawiya detained a number of civilians, including women and children, along with foreign nationals, for an extended period of time.</li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> At 14:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kfar Tappuah severely beat 55-year-old Ma'rouf Issa Hussein while he was present on his land at the entrance to the village of Yasuf. After Israeli troops offered him first aid, Hussein was transported to Rafidia Hospital in the city of Nablus.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Checkpoint:</b> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint, between the districts of Nablus and Jericho and detained hundreds of civilians for several hours before allowing them to cross.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall was resumed north of the</li> </ul>

	<p>district of Bethlehem, along ‘Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 15:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:45, and again at 20:25, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up a checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians’ IDs until 21:10.</li> </ul>
<p><b>HEBRON</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed 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.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions in the old city of Hebron, set up several flying checkpoints along the roads leading to the Ibrahimi Mosque, and detained a number of civilians, including school students, allegedly to conduct thorough searches.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided Al Fawwar refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura and patrolled several neighbourhoods.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Isma’il Abu Zahrah, a Palestinian Police officer in the town of Yatta.</li> <li>• <b>Attack on Religious Sites:</b> The Israeli army prohibited calls to prayers from being broadcast in the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.</li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> Armed Israeli settlers from the settlement of Sussia south of the town of Yatta confiscated 40 <i>dunums</i> (10 acres) of civilian land located at the eastern entrance to the settlement and cultivated it with olive trees.</li> </ul>

## GAZA STRIP

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Nitsareem junction remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</b> At 20:00, Israeli troops positioned at Point 101 on the Green Line flashed spotlights at 1 Palestinian National Security location in the area of Wadi Gaza.</li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 21:15, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at the watchtower east of Nitsareem (Ash Shuhada') junction towards Palestinian territory along Salah Ad Din road.</li> <li>• <b>Demonstration:</b> At 17:20, a mass demonstration took place in An Nuseirat refugee camp in solidarity with political prisoners held in Israeli prisons.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open.</li> <li>(iv) Abu Holi road is open. At 23:50, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints and reopened it at a later time.</li> <li>(v) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed.</li> <li>(vi) Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed.</li> <li>(vii) Morag road, which connects Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 20:05, the Israeli army, including a number of jeeps, raided Palestinian territory, took position near Point 140 on the Green Line north of Kissufim road in Al Qarara, opened intensive fire, and fired flares. The Israeli army also arrested 3 children, allegedly for attempting to infiltrate into areas inside the Green Line.</li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 3 children north of Kissufim road: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Bilal Salem Abu Miri, 16 years old;</li> <li>(ii) Salim Isma'il An Najjar, 16 years old; and</li> <li>(iii) Salem Mohammed At Tawashi, 15 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is closed.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## GENERAL

<p><b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Orders of Administrative Detention:</u></b> The Israeli military court at ‘Ofer Military Detention Centre issued orders of administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against 12 political prisoners (some of whom have had their administrative detention sentences renewed already for several consecutive times).</li> <li>• <b><u>Solitary Confinement:</u></b> 9 political prisoners in Al Muscobiya (the Russian Compound) Interrogation Centre have been held in isolation cells for over 3 months.</li> <li>• <b><u>Israeli Army Measures Against Political Prisoners:</u></b> 230 political prisoners held in Ad Damon Prison, which was recently inaugurated over Al Karmel Mount, suffer from inhumane imprisonment conditions. The prison administration does not provide political prisoners with electrical appliances, postpones offering medical treatment to ill prisoners, and supplies the prisoners with inadequate food. Israeli troops in the prison also conduct sudden searches, tamper with the prisoners’ personal belongings, and count the prisoners every 2 hours.</li> </ul>
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