

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

**DAILY SITUATION REPORT**  
 08:00 17 May 2006 – 08:00 18 May 2006

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

| EVENT                      | WEST BANK  | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL      | NOTES                                      |
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| Physical Assaults          | 2          | —          | <b>2</b>   | 2 high school students severely beaten     |
| Injuries                   | 1          | 2          | <b>3</b>   | In the districts of Nablus and Gaza        |
| Attacks                    | 7          | 6          | <b>13</b>  | Incl. 6 in raids and 6 from military posts |
| Raids                      | 28         | 1          | <b>29</b>  | Incl. 7 in Nablus and 6 in Hebron          |
| Arrests                    | 17         | —          | <b>17</b>  | Incl. a father and his 2 sons              |
| Detentions                 | 16         | —          | <b>16</b>  | Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer       |
| Land Levelling             | —          | 1          | <b>1</b>   | Near the Green Line in Northern Gaza       |
| Wall Construction          | 32         | —          | <b>32</b>  | Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.  |
| Destruction of Property    | 2          | —          | <b>2</b>   | Incl. 1 commercial shop demolished         |
| Confiscation of Property   | 1          | —          | <b>1</b>   | Military uniforms in Till village, Nablus  |
| House Occupation           | 1          | —          | <b>1</b>   | Converted into a mil. post in Hebron       |
| Closure of Checkpoints     | 11         | —          | <b>11</b>  | Incl. Ramot checkpoint, Jerusalem          |
| Flying Checkpoints         | 10         | —          | <b>10</b>  | Incl. 4 in Tulkarem & 2 in Salfit          |
| Closure (per District)     | 6          | 1          | <b>7</b>   | Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza       |
| Closure of Main Roads      | 31         | —          | <b>31</b>  | Incl. roads to Road #60, Bethlehem         |
| Closure of Crossing Points | —          | 6          | <b>6</b>   | Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially       |
| Settlement Activity        | 1          | —          | <b>1</b>   | A wire fence erected, Al 'Arrub RC         |
| Settler Violence           | 1          | —          | <b>1</b>   | Attempt to construct settlement outpost    |
| Palestinian Attacks        | —          | 2          | <b>2</b>   | 4 mortars fired towards the Green Line     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>               | <b>167</b> | <b>19</b>  | <b>186</b> |  |

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALL<br/>DISTRICTS</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts and to prevent civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line and into the city of Jerusalem.</li> <li>• Beginning on 17 April 2006, and following the suicide attack carried out in the city of Tel Aviv inside the Green Line, the Israeli army has intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.</li> </ul> |
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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERUSALEM</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</li> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army closed the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat Al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with barbed wire and has denied civilian access. The Israeli army allows access to the city of Jerusalem through Dahiyat al Bareed checkpoint only to vehicles bearing Israeli-issued license plates and from the lane previously designated for VIPs.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army closed the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) According to new measures implemented at Qalandiya checkpoint, which the Israeli army has converted into a “border crossing point”, the Israeli army has designated a special crossing for civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army has allowed other civilians to access the main road leading to the junction to the village of Jaba’, which branches off to other districts.</li> <li>(ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Ramot checkpoint set up near the village of Beit Ikse, prevented civilian vehicles bearing Israeli-issued license plates from crossing towards the city of Jerusalem, and forced them to cross through Qalandiya checkpoint to access the city of Jerusalem given that the Israeli army considers it a “border crossing point”.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to ‘Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba’ road, the area of Al ‘Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Destruction of Property:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the village of ‘Anata and searched 2 houses.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided Wadi al Joz neighbourhood in the city of Jerusalem. Israeli army bulldozers also demolished 1 commercial shop.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |
| <b>RAMALLAH<br/>&amp;<br/>EL BIREH</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Road:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of ‘Atara and to deny access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni’lin, Bil’in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of ‘Abud and the village of Beit Sira.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Rafat south of the city of Ramallah, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Detentions:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr ‘Ein, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 02:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Jilijliya and detained 7 civilians, including 5 children.</li> <li>(iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Deir as Sudan and searched a number of houses after detaining and interrogating residents.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Rafat arrested 2 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Thaer Mohammed al Froukh; and</li> <li>(ii) Khalil Abdul Rahman Abu ‘Iram.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <b>JENIN</b>                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Road:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for holders of IDs issued in the Northern Jordan Valley and commercial trucks.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>  |

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|          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint/Detention:</u></b> At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a number of flying checkpoints on the Jenin-Nablus main road, searched civilians and vehicles, detained 1 Palestinian National Security officer, and withdrew at 17:00.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 17:00, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the town of Jaba', opened fire, and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tubas.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 30 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin, searched a number of houses, and arrested 3 civilians, including 1 university student. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>(iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of As Silat al Harithiya, searched 1 house, arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer, and withdrew at 04:00.</li> <li>(v) At 04:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya and opened indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Jenin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Kifah Nassr ad Din Tafesh;</li> <li>(ii) Sultan Mohammed Saba'neh; and</li> <li>(iii) Bilal Ahmed Isteiti.</li> <li>(iv) The Israeli army arrested Nael Mifleh Jaradat in the town of As Silat al Harithiya.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |
| TULKAREM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district.</li> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following roads: the road connecting Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem to the town of Kafr al Labad; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; and the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus road, denying access to civilian vehicles. The Israeli army prevents civilian residents of the Tulkarem district from leaving the district, except for those residing in towns and villages east of the checkpoint.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint only allow civilian residents of villages located south of the city of Tulkarem in the Tulkarem district to cross on foot, only after examining civilians' places of residence.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

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|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(iii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir al Ghusun and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(iv) At 20:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Bizzariya east of the town of 'Anabta, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Izbat Nasser and patrolled the area until 12:45.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Far'un arrested Kamel Abdul Lateef.</li> </ul>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>QALQILIYA</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 09:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the town of 'Azzun and searched a number of houses.</li> </ul>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NABLUS</b></p>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Beita with dirt barricades.</li> <li>(iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus to the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

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|        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Beit Iba and Huwwara checkpoints and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age as well as holders of IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem.</li> <li>(iii) Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik continue to prevent taxis from the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan from crossing unless they possess access permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Destruction/Confiscation of Property:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 18:35, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp and searched 1 house in the refugee camp, damaging furniture. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals in the city of Nablus, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian. The Israeli army also searched 1 building and a number of houses as well as arrested 3 civilians (a father and his 2 sons). At 20:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Salim, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while it was combing the area east of the village. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses.</li> <li>(iii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp and searched 1 house.</li> <li>(iv) At 02:45, the Israeli army, including 12 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Nablus.</li> <li>(v) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Till and searched 3 houses belonging to Palestinian National Security officers. The Israeli army also confiscated military uniforms from one of the searched houses and withdrew at 05:00.</li> <li>(vi) The Israeli army raided the town of Jamma'in and searched 1 stone quarry.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> At 23:35 on 16 May 2006, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians during its raid on the city of Nablus, in addition to those reported yesterday: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ala' Jawdat 'Imran; and</li> <li>(ii) Ashraf Mousa Khalaf.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(iii) At 20:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Mohammed Ali Khabbas.</li> <li>(iv) The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Nablus: Fawzi Yousef Abu ar Reesh and his 2 sons. (The sons' names were unknown).</li> </ul> |
| SALFIT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |

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|                  | <p>to the town of Kafr ad Dik and with an iron gate the northern entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the towns of Bruqin and Kafr ad Dik.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints/Detention/Physical Assaults:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village of Marda on the Trans-Samaria Highway, searched civilian vehicles, arrested 1 high school ("<i>Tawjih</i>") student, and detained 2 others. Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint released the 2 students after severely beating them and withdrew at 12:30.</li> <li>(ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road connecting the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:20.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Marda arrested Mohammed Nabeel Sa'eed, a high school ("<i>Tawjih</i>") student.</li> </ul> |
| <b>JERICHO</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho-issued IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli-issued IDs.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho-issued IDs.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>BETHLEHEM</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem.</li> </ul>  |

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|               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the “Container”) checkpoint and denied access to civilian vehicles, except for those possessing access permits. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also impeded civilian access due to thorough searches.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues north of ‘Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr.</li> <li>(ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Ad Duheisha refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested Nidhal Mahmoud Khallawi in Ad Duheisha refugee camp.</li> <li>• <b><u>Settler Violence:</u></b> A group of Israeli settlers attempted to construct a settlement outpost near the villages of An Nu’man and Al Khas; however, activists from the Israeli Peace Now movement attempted to prevent them and the two sides quarrelled. The Israeli army then evacuated both the Israeli activists and the settlers from the area.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>HEBRON</b> | <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 following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada’ Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh.</li> <li>(ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the closure of civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba’ to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron. Civilian vehicles continue to be prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the entrance to the village of Beit ‘Einun; Al Baq’a junction south of the town of Beit ‘Awwa; and the entrance to the village of ‘Arab ar Ramadin.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron with cement blocks.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |



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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif and Beit Ula, south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa', and southeast of the town of Yatta. The Israeli army has also completed construction of most sections of the Wall in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the town of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and in the village of Ar Ramadin.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/House Occupation/Detention:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 17:30, Israeli army infantry forces raided Al Fawwar refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, opened indiscriminate fire, and searched a number of houses. The Israeli army also occupied 1 house belonging to Mohammed Abu Mayyaleh and converted it into a military post after detaining residents in 1 room.</li> <li>(iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta.</li> <li>(iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Nuba.</li> <li>(v) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ula and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(vi) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Ummar.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of Halhul arrested Talal Hasan Jawabreh.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Jamal Hasan as Saraheen in the town of Beit Ula.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Settlement Activity:</u></b> At 12:00, the Israeli army erected a wire fence along the main road opposite Al 'Arrub refugee camp.</li> </ul> |
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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALL<br/>DISTRICTS</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line.</li> </ul> |
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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NORTHERN<br/>GAZA</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements.</li> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u></b> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination.</li> <li>• <b><u>Attack:</u></b> At 10:20, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 56 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u></b> At 12:50, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 3 bulldozers, raided 50 metres into Palestinian territory near Points 22 and 25 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Hanun, levelled land, and withdrew at 15:00.</li> </ul> |
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|                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Attacks:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 23:10, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:15, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>GAZA</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u></b> Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open.</li> <li>• <b><u>Attacks:</u></b> At 14:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 64 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya. At 15:05, the Israeli army opened fire again, injuring 2 civilians.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>CENTRAL<br/>GAZA</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Attacks:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 16:10, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 119 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army opened fire and fired flares from Point 123 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Maghazi refugee camp.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>KHAN YUNIS</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not reported.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>RAFAH</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u></b></li> <li>(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, as well as Arab and foreign diplomatic missions.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> |

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| <b>WORK<br/>PERMITS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>West Bank:</u></b> The Israeli authorities issued new work permits to Palestinian workers for crossing the Green Line; however, the number of issued permits is unknown because the Israeli authorities have suspended contacts with the Palestinian employment offices. Additionally, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown.</li> <li>• <b><u>Gaza Strip:</u></b> Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli authorities for crossing the Green Line total 11. All the Palestinian workers possessing the valid work permits (11) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.</li> </ul> |
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