

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

**DAILY SITUATION REPORT**  
 08:00 18 May 2006 – 08:00 19 May 2006

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	—	<b>2</b>	Incl. a 5-year-old child in Hebron
Injuries	3	—	<b>3</b>	Incl. 1 child in Bethlehem
Attacks	7	5	<b>12</b>	Incl. 5 in raids and 5 from military posts
Raids	19	1	<b>20</b>	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 4 in Jenin
Arrests	23	—	<b>23</b>	Incl. the mother of 1 wanted individual
Detentions	18	—	<b>18</b>	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Land Levelling	—	1	<b>1</b>	Near the Green Line east of Gaza city
Wall Construction	32	—	<b>32</b>	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	—	1	<b>1</b>	An electricity network in Beit Lahiya
House Occupations	2	—	<b>2</b>	2 houses in Huwwara and Hebron
Curfew	1	—	<b>1</b>	Over the village of Beita in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	<b>10</b>	Incl. Tayasir & Al Hamra checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13	—	<b>13</b>	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 3 in Ramallah
Closure (per District)	7	1	<b>8</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
Attack on Religious Site	1	—	<b>1</b>	Call to prayers prohibited, Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	<b>1</b>	Fire opened towards 1 Pal. security post
Palestinian Attacks	1	2	<b>3</b>	Incl. fire opened towards Israeli settlers
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>188</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALL 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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### WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERUSALEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> At 15:00, the Israeli army intensified the closure imposed on the city of Jerusalem, closed the checkpoints located at its entrances, and set up flying checkpoints on the detour roads leading to the suburbs of the city. The Israeli army also increased its military presence inside the city of Jerusalem as well as around the old city of Jerusalem and 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>Checkpoint:</b> 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>• <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> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</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</li> </ul>
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	<p>of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one near the area of Al Khan al Ahmar on the Jerusalem-Jericho main road and the other on the junction to the village of 'Anata, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Ar Ram on the road leading to the village of Jaba' and denied civilian access in both directions until 17:15.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> At 14:50, the Israeli army closed the city of Ramallah by placing flying checkpoints at all of its entrances and denied civilian access in all directions until 17:15.</li> <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 Checkpoints:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit main road and the other on the junction to the village of 'Ein 'Arik, and denied civilian access in all directions until 17:15.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Rimonim on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Ramallah and Jericho and denied civilian access in both directions until 17:30.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b></li> <li>(i) On the dawn of 18 May 2006, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Abud, searched a number of houses, and arrested 7 civilians as well as 1 Palestinian General Intelligence Officer.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and searched a number of houses.</li> <li>(iii) At 21:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. Confrontations also took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 01:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>(iv) At 01:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 03:20.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians and 1 Palestinian security officer in the town of 'Abud:</li> <li>(i) Amjad Mahmoud Thabet, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer;</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) Dawoud Mustafa Abu Hussein;</li> <li>(iii) Suleiman Mustafa Abu al Hasan;</li> <li>(iv) ‘Awni Mustafa ‘Uthman;</li> <li>(v) Mohammed Mustafa ‘Uthman;</li> <li>(vi) Mohammed Ahmed ‘Awadh;</li> <li>(vii) Abdullah Wajeih Abdul Majeed; and</li> <li>(viii) Mohammed Ibrahim Saleemeh.</li> <li>(ix) The Israeli army arrested As’ad Mahmoud ‘Arar in the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Road:</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>Checkpoint:</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>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarba and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Tammun and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 13:00, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the town of Qabatiya. While the Israeli army was surrounding a house, an armed confrontation took place between it and armed Palestinian individuals, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians. The Israeli army also arrested an injured civilian, 1 Palestinian Police officer, and 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 15:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and patrolled the area until 04:00.</li> <li>(iii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tammun, arrested 1 high school (“<i>Tawjihī</i>”) student, and withdrew at 05:00.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 03:00 on 17 May 2006, the Israeli army arrested 17-year-old Mohammed Jamal as Sa’di during its raid on the town of As Silat al Harithiya, in addition to those reported yesterday.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 2 Palestinian security officers in the town of Qabatiya:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) Yaser Rateb Khazeimiyeh, a Palestinian Police officer;</li> <li>(iii) Mohammed Hatem Khazeimiyeh, a Palestinian National Security officer; and</li> <li>(iv) Shadi Waleed Khazeimiyeh, an injured civilian.</li> <li>(v) The Israeli army arrested Fu’ad Suleiman Bani ‘Odeh, a high school (“<i>Tawjihī</i>”) student, in the town of Tammun.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TULKAREM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</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>Closure of Main Roads:</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>Checkpoints:</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> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir al Ghusun and served summons to 3 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service.</li> <li>(ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp and patrolled the area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>QALQILIYA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</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>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.</li> </ul>

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- **Closure of Main Roads:**
  - (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.
  - (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus.
  - (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Beita with dirt barricades.
  - (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus to the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya.
- **Checkpoints:**
  - (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.
  - (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.
  - (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.
- **Raids/House Occupation/Detention:**
  - (i) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Huwwara, occupied 1 house belonging to Hasan as Sa'idi, and converted it into a military post.
  - (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and searched 2 buildings as well as a number of houses after detaining residents. The Israeli army also arrested 6 civilians, including the mother of an individual wanted by the Israeli army.
- **Arrests:**
  - (i) At 15:00, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Wisam Ayyoub Shteivi, a university student, allegedly for locating a box of live ammunition in his possession.

The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in the city of Nablus:

  - (ii) The mother of Rami 'Akkoubeh;
  - (iii) Sameer as Sireesi;
  - (iv) Ahmed Nitham Abdul Hadi;
  - (v) Hasan Kharboush;
  - (vi) Ahmed Jabr; and
  - (vii) Mohammed ad Damouni.
- **Palestinian Attack/Attack/Raid/Curfew:** At 19:00, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards a gathering of Israeli settlers near the

	<p>Za'tara junction checkpoint, injuring 2 settlers. Consequently, the Israeli army opened intensive fire indiscriminately, raided the village of Beita, imposed curfew, opened fire, fired flares, searched a number of houses, and combed land in the area surrounding the village.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SALFIT</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 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 to the town of Kafr ad Dik and with an iron gate the northern entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the towns of Bruqin and Kafr ad Dik.</li> </ul> </li> <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:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:30.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the unpaved detour road connecting the towns of Bruqin and Kafr ad Dik and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Detention:</u></b> At 18:15, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint detained Tahreer 'Adel Bakr, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer, and released him at 23:00.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERICHO</b></p>	<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> From 17:00 until 17:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of An Nabi Mousa on the Jericho-Jerusalem main road, prevented civilian vehicles from crossing towards the district of</li> </ul>

	<p>Jerusalem, and forced them to return to the city of Jericho. Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint only allowed access to vehicles bearing Israeli-issued license plates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Physical Assault:</b> Israeli troops positioned at a flying checkpoint set up near the village of Mikhmas in the district of Jerusalem severely beat Shafeeq Sa'eed Basheer. At 23:40, Basheer was admitted to Jericho Public Hospital.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> Several days ago, Israeli troops positioned at Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested Zuha Qattash, a female civilian, while she was returning from Jordan.</li> </ul>
<p><b>BETHLEHEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</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> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Roads:</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>Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint and to deny access to civilian vehicles, except for those possessing access permits.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:20, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the entrance to the city of Beit Jala, impeding civilian access.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala and searched 1 uninhabited house.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:40, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child.</li> <li>(iii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint arrested Abdul Rahman Zuhdi Mahfouth, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mu'men Nassri 'Atiyyeh, a Palestinian Police officer, in the town of Al Khadr.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>HEBRON</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</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</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



	<p>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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <p>(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.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron with cement blocks.</p> </li> <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>Raids:</u></b> <p>(i) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the village of Taffuh, searched a number of houses, and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura and opened indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling the area.</p> </li> <li>• <b><u>House Occupation/Physical Assault:</u></b> At 10:30, the Israeli army occupied 1 house belonging to Sameer Shabaneh in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also threw 5-year-old Ala' Sameer Shabaneh down from the house roof, due to which he sustained contusions and was transported to hospital for medical treatment.</li> <li>• <b><u>Attack on Religious Site:</u></b> The Israeli army prohibited the call to prayers from being broadcast at the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.</li> </ul>
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## GAZA STRIP

<p><b>ALL 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 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>Attacks/Destruction of Property:</u></b> At 22:00, the Israeli army fired 7 artillery shells from Point 84 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory near the area of Al Jamarik in the vicinity of the town of Beit Hanun and near the area of Al Hawuz opposite An Nada towers north of the town of Beit Lahiya, damaging an electricity network and cutting electricity off in the town of Beit Lahiya.</li> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Attacks:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:55, 4 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar landed on Palestinian territory.</li> <li>(ii) At 05:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GAZA</b></p>	<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>Raid/Land Levelling:</u></b> At 19:15, an Israeli army bulldozer raided Palestinian territory near Points 71 and 73 on the Green Line north of Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing east of Gaza city and levelled land.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CENTRAL GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u></b> At 16:25, the Israeli army opened fire from its location near Kessufim gate on the Green Line directly towards 1 Palestinian National Security location.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KHAN YUNIS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not reported.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> </li> <li>• <b><u>Attack:</u></b> At 21:20, the Israeli army opened fire and fired flares from the area surrounding Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing on the Green Line towards Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah.</li> </ul>