

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 11 November 2004 – 08:00 12 November 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	5	6	Incl. 1 female & 1 unidentified civ.
Injuries	9	—	9	Incl. 4 children
Attacks	7	1	8	Incl. 4 in raids, 1 from mil. posts
Raids	8	1	9	Incl. searches for wanted civilians
Air Patrols	2	—	2	Incl. reconnaissance over Ramallah
Arrests (per person)	12	—	12	Incl. 6 children
Detentions	2	1	3	At checkpoints
Wall Construction	18	—	18	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
House Occupation	1	—	1	In the village of Nazlat Issa
Curfew	1	—	1	In the village of Al Fandaqumiya
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Impeding civilian movement
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	Jenin & Nablus closed mil. Zones
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(5)	(Most)	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Rafah Crossing partially open
Demonstrations	19	—	19	In honor of President Yasser Arafat
TOTAL	80	13	93	

DISTRICT	EVENT
<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, President of the Palestinian National Authority, and President of the State of Palestine (may he rest in peace). President Arafat passed away after 2 weeks of prolonged treatment at Percy Military Hospital in the French capital Paris. The Israeli army has declared a state of high alert, intensified permanent checkpoints, set up dozens of flying checkpoints, and increased the number of patrols along mains roads. • The Palestinian National Authority has declared a period of 40 days in mourning for the late President Yasser Arafat throughout the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, during which Palestinian flags will be flown at half mast. From 11 November 2004 until 18 November 2004, all ministries, governmental departments, universities, and schools will be shut. Private sector enterprises and corporations, except hospitals, pharmacies, and bakeries, will be shut for 3 days.

WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army dispatched thousands of Police officers and border guards in the neighbourhoods and roads in the city and set up dozens of flying checkpoints along roads leading to the city. The Israeli army also prevented civilians from entering the city. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues along the main road between Qalandiya checkpoint and Ar Ram, the area of Al Aqbat, north of the village of 'Anata, in the area between the villages of Jaba' and Hizma, the area of Al 'Eizariya, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. • Demonstrations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:00, a demonstration took place in Qalandiya refugee camp and marched towards Al Muqata'a in the city of Ramallah in mourning for the death of President Yasser Arafat. (ii) A candlelight vigil took place in the city of Jerusalem in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat.
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. • Raid: At 14:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah, provoking the feelings of civilians mourning the death of President Yasser Arafat. • Air Patrol: At 05:30, Israeli army reconnaissance aircrafts patrolled the skies over the district of Ramallah. The Israeli army aircrafts particularly patrolled the skies over Al Muqata'a (President Arafat's compound) in order to observe the preparations that were taking place prior to receiving the body of President Yasser Arafat (may he rest in peace). The Israeli army aircrafts continued to patrol the skies over the area as of 08:00 this morning. • Demonstration: At 11:10, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Ramallah and marched in the city streets towards Al Muqata'a in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the 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. (ii) The Israeli army closed Al Jalama commercial Wall crossing north of the city of Jenin. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • Raid/Curfew: At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Fandaqumiya, indiscriminately opened intensive fire, imposed curfew, and withdrew at 23:45. • Demonstrations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Jenin and marched in the city streets towards Al Muqata'a in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat. (ii) At 21:00, mass demonstrations took place in all towns and villages of the district of Jenin, including the towns of Qabatiya, Al Yamun, Kafr Ra'i and Fahma, in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat.

<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the 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. (ii) The Israeli army distributed notices preventing all types of civilian construction on both sides of the Wall, in an area measuring 300 meters east and 100 meters west of the Wall, in the area extending from the town of Zeita in the north to Dahiyat Irtah in the south. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to set up flying checkpoints, and placed dirt barricades, at the entrances to the city of Tulkarem, except along Ash Sha'rawiya road. • <u>Attack:</u> At 21:05, the Israeli army opened fire towards civilian houses in the western neighbourhood of Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Nazlat Issa, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post. (ii) At 04:00, 12 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Seida, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 07:20. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 08:00, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Tulkarem. • <u>Demonstrations:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:45, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Tulkarem and marched in the city streets in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat. (ii) At 18:55, mass demonstrations took place in the towns and villages of the district of Tulkarem in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat. (iii) At 20:10, mass demonstrations took place in the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem and Nur Shams refugee camps in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 21:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus, opened indiscriminate fire towards civilians, injuring 3 civilians, including 1 child, and arrested 2 injured civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint arrested Wisam Wasim Ash Shobaki from Jayyus as he was travelling to the city of Nablus. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 injured civilians in the town of Jayyus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Ahmed Abul Rahim Shamasneh; and (iii) Imad Ahmed Khalid. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 19:30, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Qalqiliya in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Raid:</u> At 14:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 10 November 2004, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Wassef Jabr Najjar. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Fadi Arafat in the city of Nablus.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around the settlement of Ariel) and in the villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut, remains suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 18:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Salfit and all its towns and villages in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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 prevented civilians from entering the city, except those holding Jericho IDs. The Israeli army also continues to prevent Israeli ID card holders from entering the city.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing.

	<p>(ii) 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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, and along the tunnel road (Gilo). • Raid: At 08:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilian vehicles. • Detentions: At 09:00, the Israeli army closed As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya checkpoint in both directions and detained hundreds of civilians on both sides of the checkpoint for an extended period of time. • Demonstrations: <p>(i) At 13:30, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Bethlehem and marched in the city streets towards Al Muqata'a in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians near Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque (Rachel's Tomb).</p> <p>(ii) At 20:00, mass demonstrations took place in the cities, refugee camps, towns, and villages of the district of Bethlehem in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for wall construction continues west of the towns of Idhna, Beit 'Awwa, and Surif, and near the villages of Deir Al 'Asal and Beit Ar Rush. • Attack: At 14:30, the Israeli army closed Halhul overpass and prevented civilians from crossing. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians, including 6 children. • Raid: At 20:00, 6 Israeli army jeeps raided the city of Hebron, opened indiscriminate fire, and patrolled the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians on Halhul overpass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nidhal Sha'ban, 15 years old; (ii) Hamzeh Sha'ban, 16 years old; (iii) Abed Al Jandreh; 16 years old; (iv) Mohammed Abu Saymeh, 16 years old; (v) Su'oud Qassem, 16 years old; (vi) Abdul Mahdi Al Qashqish; 17 years old; and (vii) Samir Madhyeh. • Demonstrations: <p>(i) At 10:00, a mass demonstration took place in the town of Beit Ummar</p>

	<p>in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army killed 1 civilian and injured 6 others, including 3 children. At 11:15, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Hebron in mourning and honour of President Yasser Arafat.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Mohammed Jameel Abu Mariyya in the town of Beit Ummar.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beit Hanun crossing remains partially open to merchants only. • <u>Raid:</u> At 14:05, the Israeli army, including 18 tanks and 5 bulldozers, raided the area of Tall Al Hawa east of Sheikh 'Ajlin junction, opened intensive fire towards civilians, killing 4 civilians, including 1 female, and withdrew at 16:00. • <u>Killings:</u> The Israeli army killed 4 civilians in the area of Tall Al Hawa east of Sheikh 'Ajlin junction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Intissar Jabr, a female civilian; (ii) Mohammed Fat'hi Al Khouli; (iii) Bilal Ahmed Thiyab; and (iv) Nour Khamis Murtaja.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Muntar (Karni) crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 15:05, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road in both directions. At 16:35, it was reopened.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. • <u>Killing:</u> At 19:00, the Israeli army delivered the corpse of a civilian through the DCO. The name, place, and circumstances of his killing remain unknown to date.