

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 November 2004 – 08:00 15 November 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Severely beating 1 civilian
Attacks	1	1	2	2 from military posts
Raids	8	1	9	Incl. searches for wanted civilians
Arrests (per person)	5	—	5	Incl. 1 officer
Detentions	1	1	2	Dozens of civilians at checkpoints
Land Levelling	1	—	1	Olive trees in the village of Marda
Wall Construction	18	—	18	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
House Occupation	1	—	1	In the town of Tuqu'
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Impeding civilian movement
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	All closed by checkpoints
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
Construction of Mil. Posts	—	1	1	In Rafah refugee camp
TOTAL	36	9	45	

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 Gaza Strip districts 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). • National mourning for President Yasser Arafat continues to take place in all districts of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip and Palestinian flags continue to be flown at half mast. From 11 November 2004 until 18 November 2004, all ministries, governmental departments, universities, and schools will be shut. Private enterprises and corporations, except hospitals, pharmacies, and bakeries, will be shut for 3 days. Official and national delegations continue to visit Al Muqata'a in the city of Ramallah to offer their condolences for the death of President Yasser Arafat and to place wreathes on his tomb.

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. • 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.
<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. • Attack: At 15:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in the settlement of Psagot towards civilian houses in the city of El Bireh.
<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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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 closed Al Jalama commercial Wall crossing north of the city of Jenin. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road between the towns of Qabatiya and Az Zabadida and closed the road with dirt barricades. The Israeli army continues to prevent civilians from crossing in both directions as of 08:00 this morning. (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Tammun and Al Far'a refugee camp and searched civilian vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tammun, the village of Al Far'a, and Al Far'a refugee camp, searched several houses, combed the land surrounding the area, and arrested 2 civilians. At 04:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 unidentified civilians in the area surrounding the town of Tammun and the village of Al Far'a.
TULKAREM	<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.
QALQILYA	<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. • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area.

<p>NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up several flying checkpoints along the roads leading to the city of Nablus, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.
<p>SALFIT</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 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. • Raid/Land Levelling: At 12:20, the Israeli army, accompanied by 1 bulldozer, raided the village of Marda and levelled land cultivated with olive trees.
<p>JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army 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. • Arrests: At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near Al Khan Al Ahmar arrested 2 civilians, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Salih Mohammed Ammar, a Palestinian National Security officer; and (ii) Fadi Hussein 'Aasi.
<p>BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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. (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. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, and along the tunnel road (Gilo).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Assault: At 11:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque severely beat Mohammed Ahmad Shawamreh, after which he was admitted to the Public Hospital in the city of Bethlehem. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Jala and patrolled the area. (ii) At 17:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu', occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post. • Arrest: At 18:25, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at Ma'ale Adumim settlement arrested Nidhal Rishmawi.
HEBRON	<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. • Flying Checkpoints: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Dura, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun crossing is closed. • Raid: At 06:00, the Israeli army, including 10 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory near Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya and levelled land.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 17:40, the Israeli army closed

	<p>Salah Ad Din road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints. At 18:50, the road was reopened.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 13:30, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell from its location at Point 9 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. • Construction of Military Posts: At 12:00, the Israeli army constructed a new military post (made of ready concrete blocks) near As Salalm neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. The military post is 400 meters away from Al Karama Crossing (Rafah Border Crossing) opposite Point 5 on the Egyptian-Palestinian border.