

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 15 November 2004 – 08:00 16 November 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	<b>1</b>	Severely beating 1 officer
Injuries	1	2	<b>3</b>	1 civilian holding Israeli ID
Attacks	4	8	<b>12</b>	Incl. 4 during raids, 4 from posts
Raids	9	2	<b>11</b>	Incl. provoking civilians
Air Patrols	—	3	<b>3</b>	Incl. north of Beit Lahiya
Arrests (per person)	14	—	<b>14</b>	Incl. 1 child and 1 officer
Detentions	2	—	<b>2</b>	Incl. at checkpoints
Land Levelling	—	1	<b>1</b>	East of Gaza city
Wall Construction	18	—	<b>18</b>	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
Destruction of Property	2	—	<b>2</b>	Incl. pursuing 1 civilian vehicle
House Occupation	1	—	<b>1</b>	In the village of Nazlat Issa
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Impeding civilian movement
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	<b>(All)</b>	All closed by checkpoints
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(5)	<b>(Most)</b>	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	<b>5</b>	Incl. Rafah Crossing partially open
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	2	<b>3</b>	Incl. taking position near 1 post
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>76</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALL DISTRICTS</b></p>	<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 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).</li> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>

### WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERUSALEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Detentions:</b> At 14:10, the Israeli army closed Qalandiya checkpoint and prevented civilians from crossing for an extended period of time.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 01:30, an Israeli army infantry force raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and took position near 1 Palestinian National Security location.</li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JENIN</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <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. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army closed Al Jalama commercial Wall crossing north of the city of Jenin.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues 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 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road between the towns of Qabatiya and Az Zababida and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up along the road between the towns of Qabatiya and Az Zababida arrested Mufeed Abdul Rahman Abu Ar Rub.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TULKAREM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Physical Assault:</b> At 09:30, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near the village of Jubara severely beat 1 Palestinian National Security officer, detained his ID, and ordered him to report to the Israeli Intelligence.</li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 22:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Al Kafriyyat checkpoint towards civilian houses in the city of Tulkarem.</li> <li>• <b>House Occupation:</b> Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army continues to occupy 1 house in the village of Nazlat Issa and converted it into a military post after forcing its residents to evacuate it.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>QALQILYA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> 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.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Destruction of Property:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 20:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and opened fire towards 1 civilian vehicle, driven by a 1948 Palestinian (an Arab citizen of Israel) from the town of Kafr Qassim inside the Green Line, critically injuring him in the neck. The Israeli army caused the vehicle to collide with another civilian vehicle.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Thulth and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(iii) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Immatin and patrolled the area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> 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.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and ‘Askar and ‘Ein Beit El Ma’ refugee camps and arrested 3 individuals, including 1 child and 1 Palestinian Police officer. At 04:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 3 individuals in the city of Nablus and ‘Askar and ‘Ein Beit El Ma’ refugee camps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Hassan Abdul Jalil, 17 years old;</li> <li>(ii) ‘Azzam Sameer Al Bustami, a Palestinian Police officer; and</li> <li>(iii) Ahmed ‘Azzam Al Khatib.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> 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.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> 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.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Destruction of Property:</u></b> At 21:15, an Israeli army Special Force, supported later by 10 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit, surrounded 1 house, and forced its residents to evacuate it. The Israeli army destroyed the doors of the house, opened fire, and fired bombs inside it, destroying its contents. At 02:20, The Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></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 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.</li> </ul>

<p><b>BETHLEHEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, and along the tunnel road (Gilo).</li> </ul>
<p><b>HEBRON</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 10:30, an Israeli army Special Force raided the town of Yatta, opened fire towards 1 house while surrounding it, searched a number of houses, and arrested 10 civilians.</li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 10 civilians in the town of Yatta: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ali Khalid Ali Murr;</li> <li>(ii) Ibrahim Khalid Murr;</li> <li>(iii) Mohammed Khalid Murr;</li> <li>(iv) Fayez Mohammed Al Haddar;</li> <li>(v) Ashraf Fayez Abu Fanar;</li> <li>(vi) 'Aayed Abu Hmeid;</li> <li>(vii) Sa'eb Abu Sbeihah;</li> <li>(viii) Bilal Abed Bheis;</li> <li>(ix) Riyadh Ahmed Ibrahim; and</li> <li>(x) Mohammed Al Haddar.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**GAZA STRIP**

<p><b>NORTHERN GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Beit Hanun crossing is closed.</li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 19:00, Israeli army helicopters opened machinegun fire towards Al Qarya Al Badawiya north of the town of Beit Lahiya.</li> <li>• <b>Raid/Land Levelling:</b> At 17:35, the Israeli army, including several vehicles, raided 300 meters into Palestinian territory in the area between Points 60 and 69 on the Green Line east of Gaza city and levelled land.</li> </ul>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GAZA CITY</b></p>	<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 Muntar (Karni) crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:30, and again at 16:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards 1 Palestinian National Security location north of Sheikh ‘Ajlin coastal junction.</li> <li>(ii) At 18:10, an Israeli army tank positioned near Abu Khousah Building in the area of Sheikh ‘Ajlin fired 5 sound grenades towards Palestinian territory south of Gaza city.</li> <li>(iii) At 19:10, Israeli army helicopters opened machinegun fire towards the neighbourhood of Tall Al Hawa in the area of Sheikh ‘Ajlin south of Gaza city.</li> <li>(iv) At 19:10, Israeli army helicopters opened machinegun fire towards Palestinian territory west of Al Muntar (Karni) crossing south of Gaza city.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CENTRAL GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not reported.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KHAN YUNIS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu Al ‘Ajlin 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 partially open.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 21:20, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided 700 meters into Palestinian territory east of the village of ‘Abasan, opened intensive fire, and fired flares. At 02:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 08:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp, injuring 2 civilians.</li> </ul>