

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 16 November 2003 – 08:00 17 November 2003

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	1	3	1 16 Year-old
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 19 Year-old woman
Attacks	7	5	12	Incl. 1 house burnt
Raids	11	—	11	
Arrests (per person)	4	1	5	1 PNC-member, 1 14 year-old
Detentions	5	1	6	>70 residents at checkpoint
School Disruption	2	—	2	
Destruction of Property	6	—	6 ¹	
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	13.8 dunums of land
Land Leveling	2	2	4	
Curfews	3	—	3	
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	8	—	8	
Closures (per District)	8	—	8	4 Cities, 4 villages
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Gates	All	—	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	2 Part-time
Settler Violence	1	—	1	
TOTAL	61	14	75	

¹ Including 3 bulldozers, 11 private cars, 200 trees cut down and 1 room demolished.

DISTRICT	EVENT
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Separation Wall Construction</u>: Israeli authorities continue construction of the separation wall in the areas of Al Eizariya, Abu Dis and Al Sawahira. • <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided and searched houses in Al Ram. (ii) The Israeli army and police raided the town of Anata and lowered the Palestinian flag from the premises of the local town council and both the elementary and secondary schools. The Israeli army also searched several houses and confiscated 3 bulldozers and 11 public cabs. • <u>Israeli Acts of Provocation</u>: The Israeli army provoked civilians by imitating the sounds of prayer and publicly mocked the fasting month of Ramadan.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army closed the entrance to the village of Al 'Abud where they set up a checkpoint. • <u>Checkpoints</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the main street near the settlement of Ofra, where they detained and searched vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Silwad/Al Mazra'a. (iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Rammun/Deir Dibwan road. (iv) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the east of the town of Al Mughayyir. (v) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Kafr Malik. (vi) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the by-pass road near Turmus'ayya. • <u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army raided the village of Mazari' an Nubani, where they remained throughout the night until the early hours of this morning. • <u>Detentions</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army withheld the ID's of several teachers on Route 60. (ii) The Israeli army detained vehicles at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih, preventing civilians from the area of Bani Zeid from reaching Ramallah city.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closures</u>: The Israeli army closed the main entrance to the town of Tammun,

	<p>where they detained dozens of civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Tubas/ 'Aqqaba. • <u>Eastern Separation Wall</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In preparation for construction of the eastern separation wall, Israeli authorities continue to prevent civilians from the town of Tubas and Al Tayasir from reaching their farm land. (ii) Only civilians granted Israeli special permits are allowed past the iron gates. • <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the center of the city of Jenin, broke into a house and arrested a boy before withdrawing at 02:15. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Tubas and set up a checkpoint on the main road to the town—dividing the neighborhoods into 2 parts—and searched civilian houses. • <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested 14 year-old Rushdi Nader Hammad from his house in Jenin. • <u>Detentions</u>: The Israeli army at the checkpoint of Um Rihan, west Jenin city, detained 3 women past the time of breaking Ramadan fast on grounds of there being no female Israeli soldiers present to search them.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army closed the checkpoint of "Al Hamra", the only exit to northern districts towards Jericho and Ramallah, and prevented civilians and ambulances from passing through.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closures</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Bethlehem remains a closed military area. (ii) The Wadi Nar, Bethlehem/Jerusalem, road remains closed to private vehicles and non-permit carriers. (iii) The Bethlehem/Sa'ir/Hebron road remains closed.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure</u>: The city of Tulkarem is a closed military zone. • <u>Raid</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided "Izbat al Jarrad ", searched a house and arrested 3 civilians. The Israeli army opened fire, injuring 2 civilians, one of whom is a 16 year old. (ii) At 03:15, the Israeli army raided the Tulkarem refugee camp and the city of Tulkarem, where they opened fire, fired sound bombs and imposed curfew over both areas. The army forces remain present as of 08:00 this morning and were reinforced by 2 helicopters. • <u>House Demolition</u>: During their raid on a house in "Izbat al Jarrad", the Israeli army demolished 1 room in the house.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests</u>: During their raid on "Izbat al Jarrad ", the Israeli army arrested: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nayif Al Jarrad, Member of the Palestinian National Council; (ii) Ayoub Abdul Raheem Jarrad; and (iii) Anan Zaqout. • <u>Attack</u>: At 17:10, Israeli jeeps patrolled the streets in the village of Far'un and Irtah, where they opened heavy fire.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closures</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nablus remains a closed military area. Only teachers and civilians with medical conditions are allowed to cross checkpoints. (ii) The Israeli army closed the village of Till, preventing civilians from leaving or entering the village. • <u>Curfew</u>: For the 5th consecutive day, the Israeli army continues to impose curfew over the town of Asira ash Shamaliya. • <u>Detentions</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli soldiers at the checkpoint of Till detained more than 20 civilians between 14:00 until 18:00, forcing them to break Ramadan fast at the checkpoint. (ii) The Israeli army detained more than 50 civilians, including women and children, near the junction of the settlement of Yizhar until after the time of breaking the Ramadan fast. They were released late at night. • <u>Israeli Acts of Provocation</u>: The Israeli army held civilians in the mosque following evening prayers. • <u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp and opened fire randomly. • <u>Uprooting of Trees</u>: The Israeli army uprooted around 200 olive trees in the village of Till from land belonging to the residents. • <u>Destruction of Property</u>: During a house search campaign in Asira ash Shamaliya, the Israeli army vandalized and destroyed private property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army broke the windscreens/windows and shot the tires of 8 vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army destroyed a wall of one house. (iii) The Israeli army shot holes in water tanks. (iv) The Israeli army broke the doors of a girl's school and an elementary school for boys.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army closed the entrances to the town of Beit Awwa, located along the Green Line west of Hebron city. • <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, south of Hebron city, where they searched civilian houses. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, where they searched 2 houses, one of which belonged to a member of Palestinian Preventative Security.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Destruction of Property/ New Watch Towers:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli bulldozers leveled land near the junction of Idhna/Tarqumiya, along settler Route 35, in preparation to set up a watch tower. (ii) Israeli bulldozers leveled 2 dunums of privately owned land located near the junction of Beit Awwa and set up a watch tower • <u>Settler Violence:</u> Settlers of the Otni'el settlement continue to prevent civilians from harvesting their olive crop from their private property located near the settlement.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Separation Wall Gates:</u> Only civilians granted special Israeli permits are being allowed through the iron gates. • <u>Confiscation of Property:</u> Israeli authorities issued orders to confiscate 13.8 dunums of land for military purposes in the northern area of the city of Qalqiliya.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The city of Salfit is a closed military area. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers from reaching their land in the district. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Ammuriya/Al Lubban ash Sharqi, where they detained and searched vehicles and examined ID's of passengers.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 9649 Palestinians were allowed past Erez crossing point. 3872 workers were allowed into the Erez industrial zone and 350 Palestinians were allowed to enter in order to apply for Israeli magnetic ID's. • <u>Attack:</u> At 19:45, the Israeli army opened fire from a tank at Point 28, north Beit Hanoun towards the west. • <u>Destruction of Property:</u> At 13:40, Israeli bulldozers leveled land at Point 64, east of Jabaliya, and 100 meters into Palestinian territory.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed. (ii) Al Mintar crossing (Karni) was opened between 08:00 and 15:00. • <u>Destruction of Property:</u> At 14:10, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1bulldozer, leveled land at Point 74—200 meters in Palestinian territory.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> At 19:00, the Israeli army opened random fire from the settlement of

	Kfar Daroom towards the north and at 21:15 towards the west, setting a civilian house on fire.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Ajin road and the western road remain closed. (ii) The area of Salah ad Din road between the checkpoints of Abu Holi and Al Matahin is partially open. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army opened random fire from Al Tuffah checkpoint, injuring 1 civilian. (ii) At 21:20, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 9 towards civilian houses in the western refugee camp. • <u>Injuries:</u> The Israeli army shot Allam Al Najjar, 25 years old, in the leg while he was on his way home. • <u>Detention:</u> The Israeli army at the checkpoint of Al Matahin detained dozens of civilians past the time of breaking the Ramadan fast.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Sufa crossing was partially open. 155 workers and 7 businessmen were allowed through. (ii) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Jamal Aqil, a 22 year old student, when returning through Rafah crossing despite the fact that he holds a Canadian passport.