

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 16 November 2004 – 08:00 17 November 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Severely beating civilian in Kharas
Injury	1	—	1	By UXO in the city of Hebron
Attacks	5	1	6	Incl. 3 during raids, 2 from posts
Raids	16	4	20	Incl. provoking civilians
Arrests (per person)	39	6	45	Incl. 25 civilians and 2 officers
Detentions	2	2	4	At checkpoints
Land Levelling	1	—	1	3 <i>dunums</i> in the town of Sa'ir
Wall Construction	18	—	18	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
Destruction of Property	3	—	3	Incl. 1 electricity generator, olives
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	—	4	4	Incl. Rafah Crossing partially open
Medical Obstruction	1	—	1	Incl. halting 1 ambulance
Construction of Mil. Post	—	1	1	1 mil. post east of Al Bureij RC
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	2	Incl. detaining 10 Police officers
TOTAL	88	19	107	

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. • Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Isawiya, searched a number of houses, destroyed furniture in several houses, and arrested 25 civilians for their participation in activities commemorating President Yasser Arafat (may he rest in peace). • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 25 unidentified civilians in the village of Al 'Isawiya.
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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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of 'Ein 'Arik and searched agricultural land in its surrounding. (ii) At 23:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area. • Arrest: At 14:30, the Israeli army arrested Ala' Silwaneh at the entrance to Al Jalazun refugee camp.
<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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Arraba. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, after which the Israeli army withdrew at 17:30. (ii) At 03:00, 8 Israeli army jeeps raided the area of Wadi Birqin and Jenin refugee camp, fired sound grenades, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 civilian in the area of Wadi Birqin and 2 others in Jenin refugee camp. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Yihya Ali Turkman in the area of Wadi Birqin. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Jenin refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Jum'ah Abu Khalifeh; and (iii) Ahmed Mousa Halayqah. • Destruction of Property: The Israeli army intentionally opened fire towards, and destroyed, the electricity generator of Al Far'a refugee camp.

<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</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: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of ‘Illar, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained 4 civilians. The Israeli army led the civilians to the DCO and released them at 16:30. • Raid: At 03:00, an Israeli army Special Force, supported by 1 Israeli army patrol, raided Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 civilians. At 04:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ma’ moun Samarah; and (ii) Abdullah Ma’ moun Samarah.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</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: 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. • Attack: At 19:20, Israeli troops positioned at At Tayba checkpoint north of the city of Qalqiliya opened fire towards civilian houses in the city.
<p style="text-align: center;">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. • Raid: The Israeli army raided Khallet Al ‘Aamoud in the city of Nablus, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:30, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up along the main road east of the city of Nablus arrested 4 unidentified civilians who were driving their vehicles across the checkpoint. (ii) The Israeli army arrested ‘Azzam Al Jumouh, a Palestinian Police officer, in the city of Nablus.

<p style="text-align: center;">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. • Raids/Medical Obstruction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, 3 Israeli army jeeps raided the town of Deir Istiya, halted 1 ambulance, detained the ambulance driver's ID, and returned it to him later. At 20:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 22:00, 4 Israeli army jeeps raided the town of Haris, opened fire, fired sound grenades, and patrolled the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">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.
<p style="text-align: center;">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). • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, 6 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Al 'Asakira, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. (ii) At 02:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the cities of Beit Jala and Bethlehem and arrested 1 civilian from the city of Bethlehem. (iii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided Ad Duheisha refugee camp, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Wael Hussein 'Asakira, a Palestinian National Security officer, in village of Al 'Asakira. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Baha' Rahhal in the city of Bethlehem. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Lutfi Mahmoud Al Akhras in Ad Duheisha refugee camp. • Detentions: At 08:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the settlement of Kfar Etzion detained a number of civilians for an extended period of time before releasing them.
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. • Injuries Resulting from Israeli army UXO: At 20:00, Mu'taz Al Hashlamoun was injured and burned as a result of the explosion of a sound grenade left by the Israeli army in the city of Hebron. • Raids/Physical Assault: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Adh Dhahiriya and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 08:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Kharas and severely beat Mahmoud Mohammed Al 'Asafrah, after which he was hospitalised. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Murad Hashim Abu 'Allan in the town of Adh Dhahiriya. • Land Levelling: The Israeli army levelled 3 <i>dunums</i> (0.75 acres) of land cultivated with olive trees in the town of Sa'ir. • Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 08:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town Idhna detained 10 Palestinian Police officers for an hour.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun crossing is closed. • Raid: At 09:20, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 3 bulldozers, raided 50 meters into Palestinian territory north of Nahal 'Oz crossing and opened intensive fire towards Palestinian territory to the west.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed.

<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Construction of Military Post:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 06:15, the Israeli army, including several tanks, raided 800 meters into the area of Tall Rashid east of Al Bureij refugee camp and ordered the evacuation of 1 Palestinian National Security officer through the DCO. The Israeli army also constructed a military post inside Palestinian territory opposite Points 116 and 118 on the Green Line. (ii) At 06:15, the Israeli army, including several tanks, raided 500 meters into the area of Al Bahiri east of Al Maghazi refugee camp.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<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 12:00, the Israeli army repeatedly closed Salah Ad Din road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin, searched civilian vehicles, arrested 6 civilians, and detained a number of civilians. • <u>Raid:</u> At 17:50, an Israeli army infantry force raided the area of As Samiri, south of Kissufim road in Al Qarara, and searched a number of houses. • <u>Arrests:</u> Israeli troops positioned at Abu Holi checkpoint arrested 6 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ali Nasr; (ii) Khalil Al Baba, (iii) Moahmmed Shamlakh; (iv) Mohammed As Samiri; (v) Wahid Zamili; and (vi) Sharafi Qishtah.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<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 partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

<p style="text-align: center;">POLITICAL PRISONERS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Cancelling Family Visits:</u> The Israeli army declared that it cancelled visits of families to their relative political prisoners held in Israeli prisons, without stating any reasons.
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