

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 20 November 2003 – 08:00 21 November 2003

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	1	<b>1</b>	
Injuries	4	—	<b>4</b>	Incl. 15 and 16 year-olds
Physical Assaults	1	—	<b>1</b>	
Attacks	4	8	<b>12</b>	Incl. 2 security positions
Raids	17	—	<b>17</b>	
Air Patrols	1	—	<b>1</b>	
Arrests (per person)	12	1	<b>13</b>	1 Police officer and policeman
Destruction of Property	3	—	<b>3</b>	
Curfews	4	—	<b>4</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> day Asira ash Shamaliya
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	2	—	<b>2</b>	
Closures (per District)	4	—	<b>4</b>	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	<b>Most</b>	
Closure of Gates	All	—	<b>All</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	2	<b>2</b>	1 Part-time
Religious Obstruction	1	—	<b>1</b>	Access denied to Al Aqsa
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>65</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
<b>WEST BANK</b>	
<b>JERUSALEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure</u>: Jerusalem remains closed to civilians from other districts without Israeli travel permits.</li> <li>• <u>Religious Obstruction</u>: The Israeli army reinforced its presence at checkpoints and entrances to neighborhoods in Jerusalem to prevent thousands of Palestinian Muslims from reaching Al Aqsa Mosque for prayers on the holiest night of the month of Ramadan.</li> </ul>
<b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 20:10, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Rima and searched the house of 1 civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and withdrew at 22:00.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah, surrounded the house of a Palestinian National Security officer, confiscated his ID, arrested his 2 sons, one of whom is a police officer, and destroyed the furniture and other contents of the house before leaving.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 2 brothers in Ramallah city: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Tariq Ahmad Khalifa, a police officer; and</li> <li>(ii) Muhammad Ahmad Khalifa, a student.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Raid</u>: At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas and surrounded the house of a civilian in order to arrest him, but he was not found in the house. The Israeli soldiers then destroyed the contents of the house and fired rubber bullets as they withdrew, injuring a 15 year old boy.</li> <li>• <u>Injury</u>: The Israeli army shot Saqir Fawwaz, a 15 year old boy.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activity not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closures</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Bethlehem remains a closed military area. The Israeli army tightened their closure on Bethlehem. All main roads, sub-roads, and dirt passages are closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army closed checkpoint “300”, located north of the city and leading to Jerusalem.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Curfew</u>: The Israeli army imposed curfew over the old town of Al Khadr and Al Iskan neighborhood in Beit Jala.</li> <li>• <u>Physical Assaults</u>: The Israeli army at the “Container” checkpoint, near Al Sawahra on Wadi Nar road, severely beat several civilians and broke the windshields/windows of their vehicles.</li> <li>• <u>Attack</u>: The Israeli army fired rubber bullets and tear gas grenades at a group of students defying the Israeli imposed curfew in the old town of Al Khadr.</li> <li>• <u>Attack/Injuries</u>: An Israeli soldier at the checkpoint set up near Al Khadr town threw a grenade at a group of civilians, injuring 2 who were hospitalized for medical care. The injured civilians are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Zahran Abdul Majud Al Ju’bari; and</li> <li>(ii) Salah Al Ju’bari.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Air Patrol</u>: At 02:30, a number of Israeli aircraft patrolled over the district for 2 hours.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure</u>: Tulkarem is a closed military zone.</li> <li>• <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 19:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Nazlat Isa, ordered a group of workers out of the area, searched several houses after imposing curfew over the area and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army, including 2 APC’s and 4 jeeps, raided 2 neighborhoods in Tulkarem city.</li> <li>(iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the Tulkarem refugee camp, where they opened heavy fire and fired sound bombs, injuring 1 boy.</li> <li>(iv) At 05:00, Israeli jeeps patrolled the city streets as well as Dahiyat Dhinnaba, Irtah and Shuweika.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Injury</u>: The Israeli army injured Ahmad Wasif Amara, 16 years old, who was hit by a rubber bullet in the face during the Israeli raid on Tulkarem refugee camp.</li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closures</u>: Nablus remains a closed military area. City residents are lacking basic food supplies, medical services as well as basic city services. The educational process continues to be suspended.</li> <li>• <u>Curfew</u>: For the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive day, the Israeli army continues to impose curfew over the town of Asira ash Shamaliya.</li> <li>• <u>Raids</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 19:30, special Israeli forces in an unofficial vehicle kidnapped Ahmad Duweikat, a Palestinian police officer, from Nablus city.</li> <li>(ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Asira ash Shamaliya, where they opened heavy fire as they enforced curfew over the town.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army raided the town of Surif, searched several houses and arrested 4 civilians.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir, searched a house, and arrested 1 civilian before deliberately firing a tear gas grenade inside the house and destroying some of its contents.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>House Demolition:</u> Israeli bulldozers demolished the remnants of the house demolished the previous day in the town of Yatta. The house is 200 square meters.</li> <li>• <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested 1 Palestinian from the town of Yatta, Nabil Diyab Abu Qubtiya, a 40 year-old officer in the Palestinian National Security forces.</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Military Activity:</u> There are no reported military activities in Qalqiliya. The DCO entrance, the only eastern entrance to the city, is open. All civilians arrested in the previous 2 days from 'Azzun were released.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Raid:</u> At 05:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda, where they searched several houses and arrested 3 civilians, including 2 brothers.</li> <li>• <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians from the village of Marda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Diya' Bakir Suleiman;</li> <li>(ii) Muhammad Bakir Suleiman; and</li> <li>(iii) Ramzi Abdallah Hujair.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road between the city of Salfit and the village of Farkha.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the location of Palestinian National Security in Salfit city.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**GAZA STRIP**

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure:</u> The Erez crossing was partially open to workers.</li> <li>• <u>Attack:</u> At 17:10, the Israeli army opened fire from an Israeli military post near Erez towards Beit Hanoun.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA CITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closure:</u> Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Attacks:</u></li> <li>(i) At 20:10, the Israeli army opened fire from the settlement of Nitsareem towards 2 Palestinian National Security locations located to the north and south of Al “Sheikh Ajlein” junction. The Israeli army fired 2 shells from the same locations towards a civilian house in the area of “Abu Mad-din”, killing one civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 18:40, the Israeli army opened heavy and random fire from a tank positioned near the area of “Al Sheikh Ajelin”.</li> </ul>
<p><b>CENTRAL GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activity not yet reported.</li> </ul>
<p><b>KHAN YUNIS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closures:</u></li> <li>(i) Abu Ajin road and the western road remain closed.</li> <li>(ii) Abu Holi road was closed at 11:00, and vehicles trapped between the checkpoints of Abu Hli and Al Matahen were detained and searched. One civilian was arrested.</li> <li>• <u>Attacks:</u></li> <li>(i) At 15:25, the Israeli army opened fire form Point 152 towards the area of Al Qarara.</li> <li>(ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army fired 2 shells from Points 8, 9, and 10 towards civilian houses in the neighborhood of Al Amal and the western refugee camp.</li> <li>• <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Samir Al Sadudi during the vehicle search on Abu Holi road.</li> </ul>
<p><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closures:</u> The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>• <u>Attack:</u> At 21:50, the Israeli army opened heavy fire from the settlement of eastern Morag towards the south.</li> </ul>