مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 25 November 2009 – 08:00 26 November 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	1	2	3	Incl. 1 from a post and 1 by navy boats
Raids	19	_	19	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem and 5 in Hebron
Arrests (per person)	11		11	Incl. 4 children
Detentions	14	1	15	Incl. fishermen at sea off Rafah's beach
Wall Construction	21	_	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	12	_	12	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 4 in Ramallah
Closure (per District)	7		7	Incl. Jerusalem and 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	40		40	Incl. 1 in Qalqiliya and 3 in Salfit
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	4 crossing points partially open
Attack on Religious	1		1	Al Aqsa Mosque compound raided
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Civilians stoned in the city of Hebron
Palestinian Attack		1	1	Failed attempted to fire a mortar
TOTAL	135	7	142	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque.
- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction).
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due it its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.
- Attack on Religious Site: On 25 November 2009, a number of Israeli Police
 officers, accompanied by a press team, raided the grounds of the Al Aqsa
 Mosque compound as well as the Al Marwani Mosque in the old city of
 Jerusalem.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.

JERUSALEM

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya. Flying Checkpoints: At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of At Tayba on the Al Mu'arrajat road, connecting the districts of Ramallah and Jericho, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Rafat and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Raids: At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area until 19:45. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Raid: At 02:30 on 25 November 2009, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya and arrested 2 civilians. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Qabatiya: Ahmed Hasan Mahmoud Abu ar Rub; and Taher Jamal 'Alawneh. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shufa. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa. Checkpoint/Attack: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. At 18:00, Israeli troops fired flares over the area surrounding the checkpoint. Raid: At 02:00 on 25 November 2009, the Israeli army raided the village of Shufa and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 'Awadh Mustafa 'Ammouri in the village of Shufa. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

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	• <u>Closure of Roads</u> : The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks
	agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between
	the town of 'Azzun and the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched
	civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between
	the town of 'Azzun and the village of 'Asla and searched civilians and
	vehicles. • Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched 1
	house, arrested 1 child, and withdrew at 03:40.
QALQILYA	• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 'Ala Abdullah 'Ilayyan, 17 years old, in
	the city of Qalqiliya.
	• Wall Gate/Detentions: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions
	at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with
	a detector. At 18:00, the Israeli army detained a number of civilians at the
	Wall gate and released them after coordination with the Israeli authorities
	(through the DCO).
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus
	as well as near the settlement of Alfei Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira,
	Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	 (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqi; the southern entrance to the village of Duma; the western entrances to the town of 'Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil; and the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan. (ii) The Israeli army has continued to close with an iron gate the western entrance to the village of An Naqura opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all
	other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross
	between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.
	• Raids: (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and natrolled the town of 'Asira ash
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	 (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Urif, searched 1 house, and served a summons to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (iii) At 02:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the eastern quarters of the city of Nablus.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. At 14:40, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint, denied civilian access, and reopened it at a later time. Raids: At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Istiya. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town again, searched a number of houses, arrested 3 children, and withdrew at 02:00. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 children in the town of Deir Istiya: Ahmed Ali Abu Hijleh, 15 years old; Abdul 'Aziz Ya'qoub Abu Hijleh, 15 years old; Mahmoud Sayel Abu Fares, 15 years old. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the centre of the village of Al 'Auja and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:10. Raid: At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Auja and patrolled the area until 23:00.

	 Arrests: On 24 November 2009, Israeli troops positioned on the Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested 2 residents of the town of Dura in the district of Hebron while they were returning from Jordan: (i) Salameh Isma'il Salameh Khalifeh; and (ii) Khalil Jamal Isma'il Khalifeh.
ВЕТНІЕНЕМ	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 dunums (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad as well as a detour road east of the town of Beit Fajjar. Flving Checkpoint: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the area of An Nashash and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 13:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Fureidis. At 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Al Khas and An Nu'man. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ifrat settlement; and in the area surrounding the village of Al Walaja.
HEBRON	• Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S for closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the area of Al Hawawir, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town of Tarqumiya and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 03:00 on 25 November 2009, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 2 civilians.
- (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit 'Awwa. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and school students. At 09:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Ummar.
- (iv) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and patrolled the area until 23:10.
- (v) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Dura:
- (i) 'Eid Mousa Ibrahim; and
- (ii) Mufeed Mohammed Abdullah al 'Amayreh.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 15:00, Israeli troops positioned near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron detained 13-year-old Amjad Bassam Fannoun, ostensibly for throwing stones, and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 12:00, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilians travelling along Ash Shalala Street in the city of Hebron.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ALL ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. **DISTRICTS Violations of the Ceasefire:** The Israeli army opened intensive fire from its locations on the Green (i) Line. Israeli navy boats also opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of the city of Rafah. Armed Palestinian individuals attempted to fire a mortar towards the (ii) Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.		
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open for transportation of wheat and animal feed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. 		
CENTRAL GAZA	• Palestinian Attack: At 06:30 on 25 November 2009, armed Palestinian individuals failed to attempt to fire a mortar towards the Green Line. The mortar landed on a civilian house, injuring a civilian as well as his wife and damaging the house.		
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.		
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow access to dozens of civilians and patients, who had received medical attention at Egyptian hospitals. Humanitarian aid, including medical equipment and stationery, was also transported to the Gaza Strip. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies and humanitarian aid. 		

• Attacks/Detentions:

- (i) At dawn on 25 November 2009, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location near Sufa Crossing on the Green Line towards agricultural land east of the city of Rafah.
- (ii) In the morning of 25 November 2009, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the city of Rafah's beach. The Israeli navy also detained a fishing boat as well as fishermen and released them at a later time.