مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 27 November 2009 – 08:00 28 November 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	1	1	2	1 in confrontations and 1 by navy boats
Raids	6		6	Incl. 1 in Nablus and 3 in Bethlehem
Arrest (per person)	1		1	Civilian at Al Hamra checkpoint, Jericho
Detentions	13	_	13	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Wall Construction	21	_	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Attack on Property	1		1	Access denied to transport a vehicle
Closure of Checkpoints	8		8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	10		10	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 2 in Bethlehem
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		7	7	All crossing points closed
Settler Violence	3	_	3	Civilian vehicles stoned incl. in Hebron
Demonstration	1	_	1	Against Wall construction in Ramallah
TOTAL	112	8	120	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) On 27 November 2009, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians to perform the Al Adha 'Eid as well as Friday prayers at the mosque. The Israeli army, however, only allowed access to civilians above 50 years of age and female civilians above 45 years, as well as to holders of permits, including men who were above 50 years of age and women above 45 years.
- (i) 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).
- (ii) 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.

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.

• 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.

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. Demonstration/Attacks/Injuries: At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Ya'bad and searched civilians and vehicles. 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 road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa. At 17:30, the Israeli army removed the dirt barricades, which had been placed at the western entrance to the village of Shufa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoint: At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Immatin and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles. Settler Violence: At 10:50, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road near the entrance to the village of Kafr Laqif. Wall Gate: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus

Closure of Main Roads: (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 'Agraba 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 Nagura opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed (i) **NABLUS** 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. At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross (ii) 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. Flying Checkpoint/Detention: At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the settlement of Yitzhar, searched civilians and vehicles, detained a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, and released him at a later time. Raid: At 12:40, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Iraq Burin and patrolled the area until 13:35. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern (i) entrance to the city of Salfit. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates (ii) 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 **SALFIT** at a later time. Flying Checkpoint: At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Az Zawiya and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Yasuf and patrolled the area until 00:50. Attack on Property: At 18:10, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint prevented Yousef 'Awadh Mohammed Saleh, a Palestinian National Security officer, from transporting his private vehicle, after it had burnt.

	• 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: (i) 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. (ii) 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. Arrest: At 17:40, Israeli troops positioned at the Al Hamra checkpoint arrested Ayman 'Awadh Bani 'Odeh.
BETHLEHEM	 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 10:30, and again at 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Husan and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 15:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and the village of Dar Salah. At 16:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Artas. Detention: At 11:45, Israeli troops positioned at the As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained Waleed Ghanem, claiming that he held a Gaza-issued ID card. Israeli troops released Ghanem after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

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. **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city (i) 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. On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S (ii) 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 **HEBRON** 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. The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from (ii) 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 09:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Halhul. **Settler Violence:** At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Hagai threw (i) stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the settler bypass road near the settlement south of the city of Hebron. At 11:25, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Harsina threw (ii) stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the settler bypass road near the settlement east of the city of Hebron. Wall Construction: 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

ALL DISTRICTS

- 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 ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli navy opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of the town of Beit Lahiya.

NORTHERN GAZA

- Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed.
- Attack: In the morning of 28 November 2009, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats off the As Sudaniya beat west of the town of Beit Lahiya.

GAZA

• Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
- (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.

CENTRAL GAZA

• Activities not reported.

KHAN YUNIS

Activities not reported.

RAFAH

• Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.
- (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed.
- (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
- (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.