

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 18 October 2004 – 08:00 19 October 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	2	2	Northeast of Beit Lahiya
Injuries	3	4	7	Incl. 4 children and 1 female civ.
Attacks	11	12	23	Incl. 6 in raids, 14 from mil. posts
Raids	26	—	26	Incl. cont. presence in Idhna
Arrests (per person)	18	—	18	Incl. 1 child and 4 officers
Detentions	7	1	8	Incl. in residential compounds
Wall Construction	18	—	18	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(4)	(Most)	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	1 partially open
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Assaulting 1 civilian
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	2	2	Open fire towards 2 Pal. posts
TOTAL	85	25	110	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank. • The Israeli army has renewed the closure between the districts of the West Bank and the Green Line due to the Jewish holidays.
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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 Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. (ii) Wall construction in the villages of Qatanna and Biddu remains suspended following an Israeli Supreme Court order. • Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and searched a number of houses. • Detentions: The Israeli army detained civilians at the Wall gate to the town of Abu Dis and prevented them from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque to perform prayers.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<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. • Attack: At 22:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Psagot towards civilian houses in the city of Al Bireh. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Mughayyir. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (ii) At 19:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Turmus'ayya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 20:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and searched 1 house and 1 commercial shop.

<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. The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to the city with dirt barricades. • 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 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Birqin, searched a number of houses, arrested 3 civilians, and withdrew at 04:30. (ii) At 04:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, opened intensive fire, and patrolled the area until 04:45. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Birqin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sultan Ahmed Khulouf; (ii) Khalid Ahmed Sammour; and (iii) Salih Mahmoud Sammour.
<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 Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to set up flying checkpoints, and placed dirt barricades, at the entrances to the city of Tulkarem and its towns, thereby preventing civilians from entering or exiting the city and forcing them to take rough detours. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of 'Anabta and the village of Ramin and patrolled the area. (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, fired sound grenades, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched 1 house, arrested 2 civilians, and withdrew at 05:30. (iii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Zeita, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 04:30.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Tulkarem: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ziyad Faisal Mansouri; • Fadi Jamal Abu Shanab; and • Ihab Sbeitani.
QALQILYA	<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 continues to close the tunnel under the Wall, connecting the city of Qalqiliya to the village of Habla. • Raid: At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Azzun and arrested 3 individuals, including 2 Palestinian National Security officers. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 individuals in the town of ‘Azzun: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Salim Radhwan, a Palestinian National Security officer; (iv) Tahseen Sweidan, a Palestinian National Security officer; and (v) Wissam Issam Hannoun.
NABLUS	<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. • Raids: At 15:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik, opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 1 child, and arrested another child. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested 13-year-old Ibrahim Zahi Hanani in the town of Beit Furik. (ii) At 15:00, Israeli troops positioned at the village of Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Hassan Issam Fuqaha, a Palestinian Police officer.
SALFIT	<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. The checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Deir Ballut continues to prevent civilians from entering or exiting the village. Access is only permitted at specific times. • 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army set up several flying checkpoints along the Trans-Samaria Highway and 1 other flying checkpoint on the overpass to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 09:55, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit. At 10:25, and again at 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city and patrolled the area. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Tappuah sprayed Tariq ‘Atyani with toxic gas and severely beat him, after which he was hospitalised.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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 continues to declare the city of Jericho a closed military zone and prevented all civilians from entering or exiting the city. However, the Israeli army allowed movement for civilians holding Jericho IDs, civilians arriving from, or leaving to, Jordan, humanitarian cases, and UN vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along ‘Ayda refugee camp, and along the tunnel road (Gilo). • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Deir Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians. At 18:15, the Israeli army raided the village again, set up a checkpoint, and patrolled the area until 01:25. (ii) At 10:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Ash Shawawra and searched a number of houses. (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, opened intensive fire, raided commercial shops, and detained 4 civilians until 13:50. (iv) At 13:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child. (v) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided Ad Duheisha refugee camp and fired tear gas grenades and rubber coated steel bullets, injuring 1 civilian.

	<p>The Israeli army raided the offices of the National Charitable Association, detained a number of civilians, and arrested 1 civilian. At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp again, searched several houses, and arrested 2 individuals, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer.</p> <p>(vi) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan and searched a number of houses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 individuals in the city of Bethlehem: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mustafa Ibrahim Abu 'Eisheh, a Palestinian National Security officer; (ii) Ibrahim Mustafa Abu 'Eisheh; and (iii) Imad Mohammed Abu Joudeh. • Detentions: Israeli troops positioned in the area of Bir 'Ona, neighbouring the city of Beit Jala, detained over 70 civilians as they were harvesting olive crops, ordered them not to enter their land again, and confiscated 1 tractor.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</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 continues west of the towns of Idhna and Beit 'Awwa in the area between the villages of Khirbet Ba'er, north of the town of Beit 'Awwa, Khirbet Um Al 'Aqaf, south of the village of As Sikka, west of the town of Surif, and near the villages of Deir Al 'Asal and Beit Ar Rush. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Beit Kahil and opened indiscriminate fire towards civilians. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, an Israeli army Special Force raided the city of Hebron, raided 1 commercial shop, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura, arrested 2 civilians, and withdrew at 20:00. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and opened fire towards 1 house while it surrounded it. The Israeli army remains positioned in the town as of 08:00 this morning. • Arrests: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Ashraf Shakir Al Junaidi in the city of Hebron. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Dura:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Imad Hijjeh; and (iii) Mohammed Amro. (iv) The Israeli army arrested Raed Hussein Al 'Awawdeh, a university student, at the DCO offices south of the city of Hebron, after summoning him to report to the Israeli Intelligence at the DCO.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba' prevented civilians from passing through the only road connecting the settlement to the neighbourhoods adjacent to the Ibrahim Mosque.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing remains closed. • Attack: At 00:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired several shells from its location near Point 34 on the Green Line towards the area northeast of the town of Beit Hanun, killing 2 civilians. • Killings: The Israeli army killed 2 unidentified civilians near the Green Line northeast of the town of Beit Hanun.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<p>Attack: At 10:05, the Israeli army fired 3 tank shells towards civilians in Al Maghazi refugee camp, injuring 1 civilian.</p>
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 11:45, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road, between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints. At 07:30, the Israeli army reopened the road and opened fire towards civilians at the checkpoint, critically injuring 1 female civilian. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired a number of tank shells from its location at Point 12 towards civilian houses in the area of Al Maqabir near An Namsawi neighbourhood. <p>At 02:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire, and repeatedly fired tank shells until 06:00, towards Batn As Samin area, injuring 2 young brothers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) 7-year-old Hasna' Ahmed Shahwan; and (iii) 3-year-old Hassan Ahmed Shahwan.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. • Attack: At 22:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 207 on the Green Line towards 1 Palestinian National Security location near Sufa crossing. The Israeli army also opened fire from its location at Point 194 on the Green Line towards another Palestinian National Security location north of Sufa crossing.