مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 19 October 2010 - 08:00 20 October 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten in Hebron
Injury	1		1	A civilian in Bethlehem
Attacks	2	4	6	Incl. a missile mortar fired, K. Yunis
Raids	20	2	22	Incl. 3 in Tulkarem and 3 in Qalqiliya
Air Patrols	2	4	6	Incl. troops dispatched by helicopters
Arrests (per person)	8	_	8	Incl. a child
Detentions	12	_	12	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
Home Demolitions	*	_		Notices to demolish 20 homes in Jericho
Land Levelling	_	2	2	East of Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	19	_	19	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	3	_	3	Incl. a vehicle's windshield broken
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	A caravan and construction materials
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	23	_	23	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem and 7 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	6	_	6	Incl. olive groves set on fire
TOTAL	155	16	171	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits.
- (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city. Access would be restricted to residents of the area as well as to civilians holding permits through crossings and gates defined in the military order.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages.

• 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.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.

• <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.

- Attack: At 16:30, Israeli troops fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as sound and tear gas grenades on civilians in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city, ostensibly for throwing stones.
- Raid/Destruction of Property: At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp, broke a vehicle's windshield, and arrested a child.

• Arrests:

- (i) On 19 October 2010, the Israeli army arrested Tawfiq Mahmoud Mohammed Twam, a resident of Jaba' village.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mu'tassem Fahmi Ahmed Taha, 16 years old, in Qalandiya refugee camp.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.

JERUSALEM

	Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Al 'Eizariya area to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of Al Jib village; near Qatanna village; south of Beit Hanina village; 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 the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. Flying Checkpoint: At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Silwad town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Sinjil town. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; 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 Dotan settlement. Arrests: On 17 October 2010, the Israeli army arrested five civilians in Al Mughayyir village: Ashraf Ibrahim Abu Jaber; Husam Fahed Ibrahim Abu Jaber; Omar Kayed Ibrahim Abu Jaber; 'Imad Tawfiq Ibrahim Abu Jaber; and Naseem Ibrahim Kayed Abu Jaber. 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 city of Tubas. <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 14:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Bardala village and searched civilians and vehicles. <u>Raid/Air Patrol</u>: At 18:20, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and conducted military training in Khallet ad Dahab area between Al Far'a and Siris villages.
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 as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoints: At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Far'un village and searched civilians and vehicles.

	 (ii) At 19:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Air Patrol:
	 (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Izbat Shufa village. (ii) At 20:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided an area near the junction to Beit Lid town and withdrew at 22:00.
	 (iii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Far'un village. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints:
	 (i) At 11:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:00. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iii) At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Kedumim settlement on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main and searched civilians and vehicles.
	 Raids: (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided Jinsafut village and served a summons on Mus'ab Badran Nassar, a university student, to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village again and patrolled the area.
QALQILYA	(ii) At 14:25, the Israeli army raided Qalqiliya city and patrolled the area until 16:00.
	• <u>Settler Violence</u> : At 00:45, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling near Kedumim settlement along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road.
	Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate.
NABLUS	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 road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin.

- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 19:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction o Deir Sharaf village on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 22:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Yitzhar settlement and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qusra village.
- (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided 'Ein Shibli village, searched four houses, and served a summons on Abdul Fattah Abu Hatab to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (iii) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Imrin village.
- (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Beit Wazan village and arrested a civilian.
- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Sameer Abdullah Abu 'Eisheh in Beit Wazan village.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 09:45, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint detained Ma'in Abdul Fattah Dhabayat, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him at 10:45 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 13:55, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to olive groves in Al Lubban ash Sharqia village, damaging many olive trees.

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• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.

	 Flying Checkpoint: At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Az Zawiya town and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:40. Raid: At 22:00, the Israeli army raided Mas'ha village and patrolled the area until 22:30. 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 Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 21:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Ein ad Duyuk village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid/Home Demolitions: At 15:00, the Israeli army raided an area near Wadi al Qilt in Jericho city and distributed notices for the demolition and cessation of building 20 homes, claiming that they were being built without the required construction licences and located in Area C, which is under full Israeli control.
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 # S/02/07, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 dunums of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order T/31/07. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village. Flying Checkpoints: At 12:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to Beit Sahur city and searched civilians and vehicles. At 12:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:00.

(iii) At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kfar 'Etzion settlement on the Bethlehem-Hebron main road and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Confiscation of Property/Attack:

- (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al 'Ubeidiya town.
- (ii) At 10:50, the Israeli army raided Al Fureidis village. Claiming that it was installed without a required licence, the Israeli army confiscated a caravan belonging to Bader al Barad'i, which he used for selling construction materials. At 13:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the
- (iii) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided Kisan village, searched a number of houses, fired flares, and withdrew at 22:40.

• <u>Settler Violence</u>:

- (i) At 10:00, a group of Israeli settlers from Beitar 'Ilit settlement set fire to olive groves near the settlement in Husan village. Settlers also denied access to Palestinian Civil Defence fire engines to extinguish the fire, resulting in the damage of many olive trees.
- (ii) At 10:50, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over Ra'fat Ibrahim Suleiman near the entrance to Tuqu' town, leaving him with injuries and contusion. Suleiman was transported to hospital for medical treatment.
- (iii) At 13:00, an Israeli settler vehicle rammed into a tractor belonging to 'Imad Mohammed Ahmed Da'dou' along Road # 60 near Al Khadr town, causing damage to the tractor. After the settler had fled, Israeli troops told Da'dou' to file a complaint at Kfar 'Etzion settlement.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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 Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.

• <u>Closure</u>:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates.
- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S on the 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 the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani village.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.

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(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the road between Al Karmil and At Tuwani villages; all roads leading to Road # 60; and the road connecting Surif town to Al Jab'a village.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kharsa village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 08:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 19:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to As Samoa' town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 19:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Zif village and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:40.
- (vi) At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Deir Samit village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Attack: At 18:25, Israeli troops fired rubber-coated steel bullets on civilians near Tareq Ibn Ziyad School in the old city of Hebron, allegedly for throwing stones.
- <u>Physical Assault</u>: At 17:50, Israeli troops severely beat Sa'id Mohammed Izreigat in Janba area south of Yatta town, leaving him with contusions.

• Raids:

- (i) At 11:35, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided Idhna town and searched a number of houses.
- 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. The ceasefire continues to hold.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory, opened fire, and fired a missile mortar on civilian houses and property in Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis districts.

NORTHERN GAZA

• Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated humanitarian cases, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank.

	 Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: At noon on 19 October 2010, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and two bulldozers covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, raided 250 metres into Palestinian territory near Al Maqbara ash Sharqiya east of Jabalya town. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened intensive fire on civilian houses and property. 	
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. 	
CENTRAL GAZA	Events not reported.	
KHAN YUNIS	• Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: In the evening of 19 October 2010, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and two bulldozers covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of Al Qarara town. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired a missile mortar on civilian houses and property. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals.	
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open to allow civilians, patients, students, and civilians holding visas to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and diesel designated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Plant. Also, 350 calves were transported to the Gaza Strip through the Crossing. 	

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	• <u>Trial Session Postponement</u> : The Israeli military court in 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre postponed the trial session of Sayel Abu Qweider, a 15-year-old child from Hebron city, for a renewable period of 10 days. Sayel had already held in 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre for 25 days. Claiming that he had thrown stones at Israeli troops, the court refused to release the child on bail.
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