

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 20 October 2004 – 08:00 21 October 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	4	4	Incl. 1 of injuries sustained earlier
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. 1 journalist severely beaten
Injuries	3	2	5	Incl. 3 students (sisters) hit by car
Attacks	4	8	12	Incl. 5 in raids, 7 from mil. posts
Raids	21	3	24	Incl. in search for wanted civilians
Arrests (per person)	6	—	6	Wanted by the Israeli army
Detentions	6	2	8	Incl. in residential compounds
House Demolition	2	1	3	2 in Qalqiliya and in Jabalya
Land Levelling	1	—	1	In the town Arraba
Wall Construction	18	—	18	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Crops in Arraba
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	2 mobile phones and 1 camera CD
Curfews	2	—	2	In Arraba and Husan
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	2 partially open
Settlement Activities	2	—	2	Incl. 50 <i>dunums</i> levelled
Settler Violence	6	—	6	Incl. preventing farmers movement
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	2	3	Incl. open fire towards 1 Pal. post
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	2 Qassam mortars
TOTAL	78	28	106	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<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

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</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: <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 arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian in the town of Abu Dis. • Settlement Activity: The Israeli army began the levelling of approximately 50 <i>dunums</i> (12.5 acres) of land in Al Masharif Mount in the city of Jerusalem to annex it to the Hebrew University.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<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. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Mughayyir with dirt barricades. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Ras Karkar and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Abu Shukheidim and prevented civilians' movement in

	<p>both directions until 17:00.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya and patrolled the area until 21:00.
JENIN	<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/Curfew: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 15:30 on 19 October 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in the town of 'Arraba and continues to impose curfew. The Israeli army levelled agricultural land near the town and withdrew at 09:30. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Rummana, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 23:30. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, opened indiscriminate fire, and withdrew at 04:30. • Setter Violence: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Sanur prevented civilians from harvesting olive crops in their land near the settlement.
TULKAREM	<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 10:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Izbat Al Jarad, patrolled

	<p>the area, and withdrew at 11:00.</p> <p>(ii) At 19:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, opened fire, and fired flares in the skies over the city. At 02:50, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area until 03:40.</p> <p>(iii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, opened fire, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 02:00.</p>
<p>QALQILYA</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: <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, which connects the city of Qalqiliya to the village of Habla. • Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and demolished 2 houses (using explosives), allegedly for belonging to the families of political prisoners. At 03:35, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • House Demolitions: The Israeli army demolished 2 houses in the city of Qalqiliya belonging to political prisoners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sameer Ash Shobaki; and (ii) Mohammed Mustafa Darwish.
<p>NABLUS</p>	<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. • Physical Assault: Israeli troops severely beat journalist Majdi Mohammed Ishtayyeh near the village of Deir Al Hatab as he was accompanying Israeli peace activists to the area. The Israeli troops also confiscated 2 mobile phones from him and the CD of his camera. • Raid: At 21:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, opened indiscriminate fire, and patrolled several neighbourhoods, particularly near locations of the Palestinian security forces. • Detentions: Israeli troops positioned at the village of Beit Iba checkpoint detained a number of taxi drivers for allegedly taking rough detours. • Settler Violence: At 07:30, an Israeli settler travelling in his car along the main road in the town of Huwwara ran over, and injured, 3 students (sisters) on their way to school.

<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</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 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. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up several checkpoints along the Trans-Samaria Highway and searched civilians and vehicles, delaying civilians from reaching their workplaces or homes. • Raid: At 09:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Aqbat Jaber refugee camp, arrested 1 civilian, severely beat 2 others, and withdrew at 03:40. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ahmed Muteir in Aqbat Jaber refugee camp. • Settlement Activity: The Israeli army continues land levelling works in the area of Al Malih for the expansion of the settlement of Rotem.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol 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. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, and along the tunnel road (Gilo).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Physical Assaults:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:45, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint severely beat Samir Qishtah, after which he was admitted to Beit Jala Hospital. (ii) At 15:15, Raed Radaydeh was admitted to Al Hussein Hospital after he fell and injured himself while being chased by the Israeli army in the area of Abu Ghuneim Mount. • <u>Raids/Curfew:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Sahur and patrolled the area until 12:00. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan, imposed curfew, and remains positioned in the village as of 08:00 this morning. (iii) At 22:30, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled several neighbourhoods at various times until 04:00.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Kharsa and arrested 1 child. (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Kahil and arrested 1 civilian. (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Ala' Talal Hassouneh in city of Hebron. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Bashar Ahmed Hantash in the village of Kharsa. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Riyadh Talal Al 'Asafrah in the town of Beit Kahil. (iv) The Israeli army arrested Wissam Mohammed Hantash in the town of Dura. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli settlers from the settlement outpost of Ramat Shay in Tall Rumeideh in the city of Hebron threw stones at civilian houses and at a number of civilians on their way to perform prayers in the Ibrahimi Mosque. (ii) Israeli settlers from the settlements of Adorah, Karmeit Zzur, Meitzad, and Asfar prevented civilians from harvesting olive crops in their land near the settlement.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing remains closed. • Raid: At 15:15, the Israeli army, accompanied by 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory near the Abu Safiyyah hill, east of the town of Jabalya, and demolished 1 house. • Killing: At 08:00, Mohammed Zaki Abu Huleil died of injuries sustained on 13 October 2004 in Jabalya refugee camp. • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house near Abu Safiyyah hill, east of the town of Jabalya, belonging to the family of Al Habbash.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA CITY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:45, and again 21:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards 1 Palestinian National Security location north of Sheikh ‘Ajlin coastal junction south of Gaza city. (ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 90 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in Juhor Ad Dik, killing 2 civilians. • Killings: The Israeli army killed 2 unidentified civilians in the area of Juhor Ad Dik south of Gaza city. • Raid: At 00:30, an Israeli army infantry force raided Palestinian territory in the area of Juhor Ad Dik south of Gaza city, opened intensive fire, and searched the area. • Palestinian Attack: At 00:25, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack: At 02:20, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al ‘Ajlin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 16:25, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road, between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints. At 19:10, the Israeli army closed the road again. The road was reopened at 06:00. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 9 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian

	<p>houses in As Satr Al Gharbi, injuring 2 civilians, including 1 female civilian inside her home.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 14:40, 3 Israeli army jeeps raided 150 meters into Palestinian territory south of Mahfutha checkpoint.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open for construction cargo only. • Attacks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 7 on the Egyptian border towards the area surrounding Salah Ad Din gate, killing 1 Palestinian National Security officer. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Morag towards Palestinian territory east of the city of Rafah. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Jihad Hassanein, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the area of Salah Ad Din gate.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measures Against Female Political Prisoners: Ar Ramlah Prison Administration continues to force 58 female prisoners, including 8 children, to strip for searches. Every 6 female prisoners are held in 1 cell due to overcrowding in the prison. Several female prisoners suffer from skin, eyes, and teeth diseases.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Bank: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 9,934 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. (ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits only to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30. • Gaza Strip: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 1,267 work permits for workers in the Industrial Zones. However, beginning on 31 August 2004, workers have not been allowed access to the Industrial Zones. (ii) Israeli authorities renewed 5,083 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, beginning on 1 September 2004, workers have not been allowed access into the Green Line. (iii) Israeli authorities permitted 2,687 construction workers to remain overnight inside the Green Line.