# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 27 October 2010 - 08:00 28 October 2010

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	_	1	1	An armed individual in Northern Gaza
Injury		1	1	A civilian in Northern Gaza
Attacks	4	4	8	Incl. 4 in raids and 2 from mil. posts
Raids	39	2	41	Incl. 5 in Ramallah and 10 in Hebron
Air Patrols	_	12	12	Incl. 7 by reconnaissance aircraft
Arrests (per person)	13	_	13	Incl. a mentally challenged child
Detentions	13	_	13	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Land Levelling	_	1	1	In Rafah district
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, and Salfit
Destruction of Property	6*	_	6	Incl. 4 artesian wells destroyed
Confiscation of Property	7	_	7	Incl. a bulldozer and 4 water pumps
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	29	_	29	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 10 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 1 in Jenin and 2 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. humanitarian cases alled access
Attack on Religious Site	1	_	1	A mosque surrounded in Jerusalem
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. 2 greenhouses burnt in Ramallah
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	A security post photographed, Salfit
Palestinian Attack		1	1	A mortar fired towards the Green Line
Demonstration	1	_	1	In solidarity with political prisoners
TOTAL	188	26	214	

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 authorities continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city.

#### • Raids/Attack on Religious Site/Attack:

- (i) At 18:15, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp. While surrounding An Nur Mosque, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp again and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 19:10, the Israeli army raided Samir Amis area north of Jerusalem city and fired sound grenades, while it was patrolling the area.

#### • 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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Qalandiya village; in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp; in Marj az Zaytun area south of Az Za'ayyem village; in Wadi al 'Eizariya; and east of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.

#### **JERUSALEM**

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 09:35, the Israeli army raided Kobar village and patrolled the area until 10:30.</li> <li>At 10:40, the Israeli army raided El Bireh city, set up a checkpoint at its northern entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 04:10, the Israeli army raided the city again and searched a house.</li> <li>At 18:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ramallah city.</li> <li>At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Um Safa village.</li> <li>Settler Violence: On 27 October 2010, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to 'Ein az Zarqa area in Beitillu village and set fire to two greenhouses belonging to: <ol> <li>Nidhal Shihadeh; and</li> <li>Mahmoud Radhwan Ziyadeh.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.</li> </ol></li></ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids/Destruction/Confiscation of Property: <ol> <li>At 10:00, the Israeli army, including two bulldozers, raided Deir Abu Da'if village, destroyed four artesian wells, and confiscated four water pumps belonging to: <ol> <li>Ibrahim Abdul Rahim Yaseen;</li> <li>Faeq Abdul Rahim Theeb Yaseen;</li> <li>Mohammed Hussein Jaber Yaseen; and</li> <li>Yasser As'ad Mustafa.</li> </ol> </li> <li>The Israeli army also delivered a notice for the demolition of an olive oil press under construction and belongs to Nasser Yihya Yaseen. At 12:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Al Yamun town and patrolled the area until 01:50.</li> <li>At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Jenin city, raided a house belonging to Wasfi Qabaha, a member on the Palestinian Legislative Council, and withdrew at 05:20.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol></li></ul>
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.

	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints:         <ul> <li>At 18:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Bal'a town and searched civilians and vehicles.  (ii) At 18:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Dahiyat Iktaba in Tulkarem city and searched civilians and vehicles
TULKAREM	until 20:10.
	• Raids/Detentions:
	(i) At 09:15, the Israeli army raided Bal'a town, raided an olive oil press, detained civilians inside, and released them after having examined their ID cards. At 10:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
	(ii) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided Deir al Ghusun town and searched an
	olive oil press.
	(iii) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tulkarem city.
	(iv) At 18:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Anabta town.
	• 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
	<ul> <li>agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ul> <li>(i) At 14:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	(ii) At 17:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Hajja and Al Funduq village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iii) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up three flying checkpoints, one on the
	junction to Jit village and two at the entrances to Immatin and Jinsafut villages, and searched civilians and vehicles.
QALQILYA	• Raids: At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qalqiliya city. At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched a house, arrested a mentally challenged child, and withdrew at 04:30.
	Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Islam Ibrahim as Samman, a 17-year-old mentally challenged child, in Qalqiliya city.
	Wall Gates:
	(i) 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.

• <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.

#### • 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.

## **NABLUS**

## • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Beit Iba town on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:00
- (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between An Naqura and Sabastiya villages and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:00.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 02:00 on 27 October 2010, the Israeli army raided Beita town and arrested two civilians.
- (ii) At 10:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asira ash Shamaliya town.
- (iii) At 14:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Sabastiya village.
- (iv) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided An Naqura village and patrolled the area until 20:40.
- (v) At 23:35, the Israeli army raided Nablus and provided protection to a group of Israeli settlers, who visited Prophet Joseph's Shrine. At 05:00, Israeli troops and settlers withdrew from the area.
- Arrests: At 01:20 on 27 October 2010, the Israeli army arrested two civilians in Madama village, in addition to those reported yesterday:
- (i) Akram 'Isa Nassar; and
- (ii) Mohammed 'Amer Abdul Latif Nasser.

	<ul> <li>(iii) On 27 October 2010, the Israeli army arrested Hamdan Wael Isma'il 'Uweiss, a resident of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya village, near the school of As Sawiya village along the Nablus-Ramallah main road.</li> <li>(iv) On 27 October 2010, the Israeli army arrested Firas Rashid Mahmoud Hashaykah, a resident of Talluza village, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</li> <li>The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Beita town:</li> <li>(v) Yasser Abdul Fattah Dweikat; and</li> <li>(vi) Ghaleb Fahmi Dweikat.</li> <li>Settler Violence: At 10:00, a group of Israeli settlers stole olive crops on civilian land in As Sateh area in Sarra village.</li> </ul>
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoint: At 21:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yasuf village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</li> <li>At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qarawat Bani Hassan village.</li> <li>At 11:00, the Israeli army raided Az Zawiya village and patrolled the area until 12:15.</li> <li>At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Salfit city, took photographs of a Palestinian National post, and patrolled the area until 02:00.</li> <li>At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Biddya town and patrolled the area until 03:30.</li> <li>Arrest: At 21:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested Sameh Sa'id Ibrahim Johar.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Imanuel settlement.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks.</li> <li>Checkpoints:         <ul> <li>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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>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.</li> </ul>

## • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 19:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:30.
- (ii) At 01:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00.
- Raid/Detentions: At 17:25, the Israeli army raided Fasayil village, raided the village's youth club, detained civilians inside, and released them after interrogation.
- Arrests: At 16:40, Israeli troops arrested three civilians, including two brothers, while were hunting near Fasayil village:
- (i) Omar Mohammed Khalil Nawawreh;
- (ii) Khaled Ali Salameh 'Ubayyat; and
- (iii) Abdullah Ali Salameh 'Ubayyat.

#### • Closure:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) 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.
- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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:

- (i) At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Fajjar town and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:30.
- (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Battir village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Husan village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Tuqu' town and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:35.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army and patrolled Al 'Ubayyat area in Bethlehem city.
- (ii) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided Tuqu' town, searched a house, and withdrew at 03:20.
  - Confiscation of Property: At 09:00, Israeli troops raided a stone quarry in Khallet Hajja area east of Beit Fajjar town and confiscated a bulldozer, stone cutting machine, and air compressor belonging to Idris al Mutour. The Israeli authorities claim that the quarry was built on seized land, where operating stone processing factories is prohibited without special permits.

#### **BETHLEHEM**

**Demonstration:** At 10:30, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors demanded that all prisoners be released from Israeli jails. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area surrounding Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement. **Closure:** (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. The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from (ii) travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron. The Israeli army continues to close the road between Al Karmil and At (iii) Tuwani villages; all roads leading to Road # 60; and the road

connecting Surif town to Al Jab'a village.

#### **HEBRON**

## • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Zif village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 09:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit 'Awwa town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 09:45, and again at 21:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to As Samoa' town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 10:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Ar Ramadin village and searched civilians and vehicles. helicopters
- (v) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Al Birka area in Yatta town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vi) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town. At 07:10, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 07:30.
- (vii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Kahil town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Attack: At 20:10, Israeli troops fired rubber-coated steel bullets and sound grenades on civilians in Abu Sneinah neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron, allegedly for throwing stones.

#### • Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 09:15, the Israeli army raided Deir al 'Asal at Tahta village and searched a house.
- (ii) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided Idhna town and searched a house.
- (iii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided Yatta town, searched a house, and withdrew at 11:50.
- (iv) At 12:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bani Na'im town.
- (v) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city. At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city for the third time.
- (vi) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided Khirbet ad Deir west of Surif town and searched a poultry farm.
- (vii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided Karma village and searched two houses.
- (viii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided Beit Ummar town and fired sound grenades, while searching two houses. The Israeli army also arrested two civilians, including a child.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Beit Ummar town:
- (i) Mohammed Ibrahim Abdul Hamid Abu Mariya, 15 years old; and
- (ii) Mohammed Sameer Abu Mariya.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

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#### 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. **Violations of the Ceasefire: ALL** (i) The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire on civilian houses and property in Northern Gaza and Rafah districts. The Israeli **DISTRICTS** army also opened fire and fired several tank shells from its location on the Green Line on Northern Gaza district, killing an armed Palestinian individual and injuring a civilian. (ii) On 27 October 2010, Israeli F16 combat and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over all districts of the Gaza Strip.

## NORTHERN GAZA

• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: 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.

Armed Palestinian individuals fired a mortar towards the Green Line.

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	<ul> <li>Attacks/Injury: <ol> <li>In the morning of 27 October 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its location near Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing on a number of civilians north of Beit Hanun town, injuring a civilian.</li> <li>At 11:00, the Israeli army fired a number of tank shells from its location on the Green Line on an armed Palestinian group east of Jabalya town, killing an armed Palestinian individual.</li> <li>Killing: The Israeli army killed Jihad Subhi 'Afaneh east of Jabalya town.</li> <li>Raid/Air Patrol/Attack: At 11:10, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of Jabalya town and opened intensive fire.</li> <li>Palestinian Attacks: At noon on 27 October 2010, a mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	Events not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Events not reported.
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for the transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and diesel designated for Gaza Electricity Generation Plant.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: In the morning of 28 October 2010, the Israeli army, including four armoured vehicles and two bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided approximately 250 metres into the area surrounding Sufa Crossing northeast of Rafah city. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened fire intensively on civilian houses and property.</li> </ul>