مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 29 October 2010 – 08:00 30 October 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	Civilian left with contusions, Ramallah
Attacks	6	1	7	6 during confrontations & 1 from post
Raids	13	_	13	Incl. 3 in Tulkarem and 3 in Hebron
Arrest (per person)	1	_	1	A civilian near 'Azzun town, Qalqiliya
Detentions	13	_	13	Incl. an international peace activist
Land Levelling	1	_	1	East of Kafr Thulth town, Qalqiliya
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, and Salfit
Land Confiscation	1	_	1	5.985 <i>dunums</i> in Husan, Bethlehem
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Approx. 150 olive trees damaged
Attacks on Property	2	_	2	Incl. farmers expelled from their land
House Occupations	2	_	2	Converted into a military posts
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18		18	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 9 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	_	5	5	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed access
Settler Violence	4	_	4	Incl. farmland set on fire, Qalqiliya
Demonstrations	6	_	6	Incl. against Wall construction
TOTAL	143	6	149	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) On 29 October 2010, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city, set up many flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque.
- (ii) 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.
- (iii) 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 Oalandiya 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.

- Raid/Detentions: At 18:05, the Israeli army raided Beit 'Anan village. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. Israeli troops also detained three civilians, including two children, and released them at a later time.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 11:30, civilians performed Friday prayers in the sit-in tents erected in Ash Sheikh Jarrah and Silwan neighbourhoods in Jerusalem city in protest against seizure and eviction of civilian homes for the benefit of Jewish settlement associations as well as for construction settlement projects.

• 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 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. 		
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. Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided 'Abwein town and patrolled the area until 02:40. Settler Violence: At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers gathered under protection of Israeli troops near the overpass to 'Atara town and withdrew at a later time. Demonstrations/Raid/Attacks/Injuries/House Occupation: At 11:45, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in An Nabi Salih village in protest against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for expansion of Halamish settlement. Having raided the village, Israeli troops occupied the roof of a house, converted it into a military post, and fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as sound and tear gas grenades, injuring a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Ni'lin town in protest 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. At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Bil'in village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a tear gas grenade fired by Israeli troops hit and injured a civilian in the shoulder. Additionally, a number of civilians sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. 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. 		
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. Checkpoint: At 17:50, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Mevo Dotan checkpoint. 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.
TULKAREM	 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Raids/Detentions: At 10:50, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem city and Dahiyat Shuweika and patrolled these areas until 12:25. At 19:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tulkarem city. 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 20:30, the Israeli army set up two flying checkpoint at the entrances to Immatin and Jinsafut villages and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 21:10, the Israeli army raided Kafr Qaddum village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. Arrest: At 18:50, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ahmed al Baz near 'Azzun town. Attack on Property: At 12:40, Israeli troops using Police dogs expelled and prevented farmers from harvesting olive crops on their land in the Mohammed Mountain area north of Kafr Qaddum village. Land Levelling: At 21:00, the Israeli army levelled land near Al 'Uyun area east of Kafr Thulth town. The Israeli army also placed cement blocks in the area. Settler Violence: At 13:10, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land along the settler bypass road near Kafr Qaddum town, destroying approximately 150 olive trees. 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. 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. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north
	Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate.

	• 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.				
	Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing				
	checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:				
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.				
	(iii) At 21:05, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded				
	civilian access at the Shavei Shomron checkpoint on the Nablus- Jenin road.				
	 Raid: At 17:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asira al Qibliya town. 				
	• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> : (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.				
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SALFIT	two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.				
	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede				
	civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.				
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	residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits.				
JERICHO	 Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Imanuel settlement. 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 				

Flying Checkpoints: At 01:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern (i) entrance to Jericho city. At 15:05, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:20. (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Yitav settlement on the main road in the centre of Al 'Auja village and searched civilians and vehicles. 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. 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 Checkpoint: At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to An Nashash area (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:40. **BETHLEHEM** (i) At 20:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Khadr town. At 02:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Artas village. (ii) Land Confiscation: On 06 October 2010, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # T/25/10 on the confiscation of 5.985 dunums of civilian land in Husan village for setting up a checkpoint. Settler Violence: At 17:25, an Israeli settler gained entry into Artas village. hoisted the Israeli flag near Suleiman's Pools, and withdrew at a later time. Demonstration/Attack/Injuries: At 12:50, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Ma'sara village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of participants were injured as a result of tear gas inhalation. Israeli troops also detained a peace activist and released him at a later time. 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. **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.
- (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 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:05.
- (iii) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city along Road # 35 and searched civilians.
- (iv) At 14:50, and again at 19:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Abu Sneinah neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 16:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yatta town and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:00.
- (vi) At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the electricity generator in Ash Shi'aba area in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on As Samoa' junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raids: At 09:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city. At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 23:20, the Israeli army raided the city for the third time and patrolled the area until 00:25.
- <u>House Occupation</u>: At 17:55, the Israeli army occupied and converted into a military post the roof of a house belonging to Nu'man Sha'ban Shabaneh near the entrance to Bani Na'im town.
- <u>Attack on Property</u>: On 29 October 2010, the Israeli army prevented civilians from accessing and tending their land in Wadi al Qalamun in Beit Ula town. Civilians had protested against confiscation of their land for military purposes.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 13:55, a group of Israeli settlers erected a number of tents near the Ibrahimi Mosque as well as near the market and old vegetables and fruits market in the old city of Hebron
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

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 opened fire from its location on the Green Line on civilian houses and property in Rafah district.

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.

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

• Events not reported.

RAFAH

• Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.
- (ii) 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.
- (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
- (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.
- <u>Attack</u>: At dawn on 30 October 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line on civilian farmland and houses in the area surrounding Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) east of Rafah city.