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# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 30 October 2003 – 08:00 31 October 2003

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	1	_	1	
Physical Assault	2	_	2	
Attacks	2	_	2	
Raids	12		12	
Air Patrols	2	_	2	
Arrests (per person)	8		8	Incl. 3 Policemen
Detentions	5		5	
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	8	_	8	
Closures (per District)	12	_	12	10 Cities, 1 Village, 1 Area
Closure of Main Roads	All	(3)	All	
Closure of Gates	All		All	Jenin, Tulkarem, Qalqilya
Closure of Crossing Points		4	4	
TOTAL	52	4	56	

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## **WEST BANK**

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JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>Construction of Separation Wall: Israeli authorities continue construction of the separation wall in Abu Dis, Al Eizariya and Al Sawahira areas.</li> <li>Closures: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to all civilians from other districts. The only Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza Strip that have been granted permits by Israeli authorities to reach Al Aqsa Mosque for prayer are men above 45 years old with children, and women above 35 years old with children.</li> <li>Detention: The Israeli army detained a number of Palestinian civilians at Anata checkpoint and Kebsa checkpoint near Abu Dis.</li> <li>Assault: Israeli soldiers physically assaulted civilians at the checkpoints of Qalandiya and Dahiyat al Bared.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints in the following areas:         <ul> <li>At the entrance of the town of Anata and its refugee camp, where they unloaded all contents of vehicles and trucks and searched them.</li> <li>On the junction of Mikhmas, causing traffic jams.</li> <li>At the entrance to the town of Hizma, causing traffic jams.</li> <li>Near Dewar Jab', causing traffic jams.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure: Ramallah and El Bireh remain closed areas.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army closed the Ramallah/Jerusalem road near the junction of Dahiyat Samiramis/Kafr Aqab.</li> <li>Restrictions on Running Water: For the 60<sup>th</sup> day, Israeli authorities continue to deny tap water to 4 villages west of Ramallah: Abu Mesh'al, Budrus, Qibya, and Shuqba.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from the city: <ol> <li>Ziyad Al Tawil; and</li> <li>Nasir Abu Halima, 29 years old.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Detention: For 2 days, the Israeli army put the family of Khalil Al Matur (consisting of 11 members) under house arrest to put pressure on the family in order to locate their son who is wanted by the Israeli army. The family was not allowed to go to work and the children could not attend school for 2 days.</li> <li>Raid: At 11:40, 2 Israeli jeeps raided the town of Deir Ghassana, where they opened fire randomly.</li> </ul>

JENIN	<ul> <li>Closure: Jenin remains a closed military area.</li> <li>Separation Wall Closure: The Israeli army is only allowing Palestinian civilians granted Israeli permits to pass through the gates.</li> <li>Air Patrol: Two Israeli helicopters patrolled over the city at low latitude.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>The Israeli army, reinforced by 2 tanks and jeeps, raided the city of Jenin just before the time of breaking the Ramadan fast.</li> <li>The Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ra'i and closed the main road leading to the town.</li> <li>The Israeli army raided the town of Jab'a, searched a number of houses and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from the town of Jab'a: <ul> <li>Ala' Kamil Khaliliya, 27 years old; and</li> <li>Hamza Mahmoud Jarar, 22 years old.</li> </ul> </li> </ol></li></ul>
JERICHO	<u>Closure</u> : The city of Jericho is a closed military area.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: Bethlehem is a closed military area.</li> <li><u>Detention</u>: At 15:45, the Israeli army detained a large number of Palestinian civilians at Al Nashash checkpoint (located on the Hebron/Bethlehem road) until after the time of breaking the Ramadan fast.</li> <li><u>Checkpoint</u>: At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the eastern entrance of Beit Sahur, causing traffic jams.</li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure: The city of Tulkarem remains a closed military area.</li> <li>Separation Wall Closures: <ol> <li>All gates along the separation wall remain closed to those not granted a special Israeli permit.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to isolate the village of Jubara due to the fact that the villagers refuse to obtain Israeli permits to be able to remain at their places of residence. The villagers are suffering shortages of food supplies and lack of health care. The education process has stopped in the area.</li> <li>The Israeli army isolated all villages of Al Kafriyat by closing the gate access to Tulkarem city.</li> <li>Checkpoint: At 12:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the town of Attil, causing traffic jams.</li> <li>Raid: At 09:00, an Israeli jeep fired randomly near Izbat Shufa, south Tulkaem city.</li> <li>Injury: At 15:30, the Israeli army shot Marzuq Muhammad Al Mizmar at the</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	checkpoint of Qaffin. His condition is critical.

NABLUS	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: Nablus remains a closed military area.</li> <li><u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army surrounded and raided a building in Dahiyat al Bareed evicting the residents while they searched the building.</li> </ul>
HEBRON	Closure: H1 and H2 areas remain closed military areas.
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure: The city of Qalqiliya remains a closed military area.</li> <li>Separation Wall Closure: The Israeli army granted Israeli permits to civilians, excluding a number of farmers, who will not be able to leave the area or reach their farmland, and who are threatened with displacement. Many of the permits granted were in the names of dead Palestinians and children.</li> <li>Raid: At 02:30, the Israeli army, heavily reinforced, raided the city of Qalqiliya and arrested 4 civilians, 3 of whom are from the Palestinian Police. The Israeli force withdrew at 04:20.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians from the city of Qalqiliya: <ol> <li>Zaki Ali Radwan, 23 years old, from the Palestinian Police;</li> <li>Fadi Abdil Qader Shatyuri, 24 years old, from the Palestinian Police (later released);</li> <li>Salim Muhammad Kharwisha, 23 years old, form the Palestinian Police, (later released); and</li> <li>Abdallah Daoud, 22 years old, a resident.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure: The city of Salfit is a closed military area.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 12:30, Israeli military air craft patolled the skies over the city on low altitude.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 07:20 the Israeli army reinforced by 3 jeeps raided the villages of Qarawat Bani Zeid, Farkha, Khirbet Qeis, Ammuriya, and withdrew at 08:00.</li> <li>At 19:30 the Israeli army reinforced by 3 jeeps raided the village of Marda and withdrew at 21:20.</li> </ol> </li></ul>

## **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	<u>Closure</u> : Beit Hanoun (Erez) crossing is closed.
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GAZA CITY	<ul> <li><u>Closures</u>:</li> <li>(i) Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Mintar crossing (Karni) is closed.</li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	Activity not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Closure: Abu Ajin road and the western road remain closed.
RAFAH	<ul> <li><u>Closures</u>:</li> <li>(i) Sufa crossing was open from 07:00 until 13:00 for specific kinds of cargo.</li> <li>(ii) The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> </ul>