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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 31 January 2005 – 08:00 01 February 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	1	1	1 female child student in Rafah RC
Injury	1	—	1	1 child in the village of Kafr 'Ein
Attacks	3	7	10	2 during raids and 8 from mil. posts
Raids	12	—	12	Incl. 3 in Tulkarem & 3 in Bethlehem
Arrests (per person)	3	3	6	Incl. 1 female civilian
Detentions	3	—	3	At checkpoints
House Demolitions	—	—	—	Notices distributed in Wadi Ar Rasha
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Incl. olive trees damaged
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	1 order to confiscated 128.4 <i>dunums</i>
Curfews	2	—	2	In Seida (overnight) and Kafr Qalil
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 2 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	9	—	9	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(6)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. 3 partially open
School Disruption	—	1	1	Open fire towards Rafah School
Settlement Activity	1	—	1	1 settler bypass road paved
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Waste water flowing from settlement
Palestinian Attacks	2	11	13	Incl. open fire towards 1 checkpoint
TOTAL	70	28	98	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat.
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at An Nabi Samwil and Qalandiya checkpoints, which control movement between the districts of Jerusalem and Ramallah, and impeded civilian movement. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely preventing civilians from crossing. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. • Settlement Activity: The Israeli army began paving a new settler bypass road northeast of the city of Jerusalem to connect the settlement of Neve Ya'aqov to settlements near the villages of 'Anata and Hizma and the town of Al 'Eizariya.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih, examined civilians' IDs, and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. (ii) The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Shuqba and Deir Abu Mash'al and detained a number of civilians for several hours.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, fired rubber coated steel bullets towards civilians, injuring 1 child, and searched 1 house. The Israeli army withdrew from the area at a later time. (ii) At 15:50, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and took photographs of Um Ash Sharayet neighbourhood and the area of the Grand Park Hotel.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to prohibit farmers in the village of Bardala from accessing their agricultural land until 01 May 2005 for completion of Wall construction. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint leading to the area of the Jordan Valley and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. • <u>Raids/Palestinian Attack:</u> (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and opened intensive fire indiscriminately, after armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli army checkpoint set up near Dahiyat Sabah Al Kheir and towards the settlement of Kadim. At 22:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Silat Al Harithiya and patrolled the area until 02:00. • <u>Destruction of Property:</u> Israeli troops positioned in the area of Dhahr Al Malih damaged olive trees and threw garbage on land belonging to 'Ayishah Al Khatib, a female civilian, damaging crops cultivated on the land. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> Israeli settlers from the settlement of Merav continue to dump waste water on land belonging to the village of Jalbun, posing a serious environmental and health hazard.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav gate which controls the road between the cities of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of 'Attil and Deir Al Ghusun and searched

	<p>civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Curfew:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 20:00 on 24 January 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the village Seida and continues to impose curfew overnight and to prevent civilians from exiting the village. The Israeli army remains positioned in the village and on its outskirts as of 08:00 this morning. (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of ‘Illar, searched 2 houses, and withdrew at a later time. (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem, patrolled the area, and withdrew from the area at 04:20.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of ‘Azzun ‘Atma and arrested 2 civilians. (ii) At 22:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Arrests:</u> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of ‘Azzun ‘Atma arrested 2 civilians: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Haroun; and (ii) Mohammed Yousef Mohammed. • <u>House Demolitions:</u> The Israeli army distributed house demolition notices to several civilians in Wadi Ar Rasha between the town of ‘Azzun and the village of Kafr Thulth. • <u>Land Confiscation:</u> The Israeli army issued an order to confiscate 128.4 <i>dunums</i> (32.1 acres) of civilian land located between the town of Deir Istiya and the village of Immatin.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Curfew:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp, opened indiscriminate fire, and searched a number of houses. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qalil, imposed curfew, and withdrew at a later time.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the area of the village of Iskaka and to declare it a closed military zone until further notice. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Deir Ballut along the Green Line, in the area southwest of the village of Kafr Ad Dik, west of the village of Iskaka, and north of city of Salfit.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the northern and southern entrances to the village of Az Zawiya, prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village, and detained a number of civilians until late in the evening.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented Israeli ID card holders from entering the city.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road leading to agricultural land in the village of Husan with dirt barricades and prohibited civilians from accessing their land. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan. • <u>Attack:</u> At 18:30, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque (Rachel's Tomb) opened intensive fire towards neighbouring civilian houses, claiming that unidentified armed Palestinian individuals had thrown explosive devices at the checkpoint. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:04, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the town, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 19:40, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. At 20:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 20:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 09:00, Israeli troops positioned at Gilo checkpoint set up between the cities of Jerusalem and Bethlehem arrested Du'a' Khadr Masalmeh, a female civilian, claiming that she attempted to stab an Israeli soldier at the checkpoint.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna, and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals and humanitarian cases only. • Arrests: At 18:00 on 30 January 2005, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians as they were attempting to infiltrate into areas inside the Green Line from the area of Abu Safiyyah: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Taher Khalil Zaqqout; and (ii) Mohammed Omar Malihah.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. (ii) At 03:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. The Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:50, 2 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Gadid. (ii) At 16:50, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Netzer Hazani. (iii) At 17:20, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid. The Israeli army responded by opening indiscriminate fire towards civilian houses in An Namsawi neighbourhood. (iv) At 23:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of

	<p>Gadid.</p> <p>(v) At 00:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid. The Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire towards civilian houses in An Namsawi neighbourhood.</p>
<p>RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open to arrivals and departures above the age of 35 only. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. (iv) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open to workers only. • <u>Attack/School Disruption:</u> At 13:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 6 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards the UNRWA Rafah Elementary School in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp, killing 1 female student while she was in the school yard and injuring 1 other student. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed 10-year-old female Nouran Iyad Thib in Rafah Elementary School in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 19:10, Israeli troops positioned at Rafah Crossing arrested Mohammed Salem Abu 'Eideh. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:10 on 30 January 2005, 3 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Morag. (ii) At 17:00, 5 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam. (iii) At 17:05, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the settlement of Morag. (iv) At 01:20, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam. 1 of the mortars did not explode.