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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 02 February 2007 – 08:00 03 February 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian protestor beaten, Ramallah
Injuries	6	—	6	Incl. 1 child in critical condition, Nablus
Attacks	6	—	6	Incl. 3 in raids and 1 from a military post
Raids	16	—	16	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem & 2 in Hebron
Arrests	2	—	2	1 civilian in Nablus and 1 in Hebron
Detentions	17	—	17	At checkpoints and in residential locales
Land Levelling	1	—	1	Around Huwwara checkpoint, Nablus
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	1 civilian vehicle damaged in El Bireh
Closure of Checkpoints	15	—	15	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	—	18	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 4 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	32	—	32	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem & 11 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Karm Abu Salim partially
Attack on Religious Site	1	—	1	1 mosque raided in Beit Kahil, Hebron
Palestinian Attack	1	—	1	Fire opened towards Psagot settlement
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Incl. in Bil'in against Wall construction
TOTAL	125	5	130	

DISTRICT	EVENT
WEST BANK	
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians under 45 years of age from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque to perform Friday prayers. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of the town of 'Abud, in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin, Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis, and in the town of Beituniya. • Raids/Destruction of Property: <p>(i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, set up a checkpoint at its northern entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also raided a coffee shop and searched civilians inside, after having forced them to strip. An Israeli army jeep also ran into and damaged a civilian vehicle.</p> <p>(ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 11 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Beituniya.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack: At 21:10, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the settlement of Psagot. • Demonstration/Attack/Injuries/Physical Assault: At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 3 civilians. In addition, the Israeli army beat 1 civilian.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan as well as the road connecting the town of Qabatiya to the village of Misliya. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints/Attack/Injury: <p>(i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Az Zababida and Qabatiya and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Qabatiya and the village of Misliya and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also opened fire towards and injured Basel Ahmed Abu Qatoush.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids/Attack: <p>(i) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tubas.</p> <p>(ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Jenin.</p>

	(iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Qabatiya and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area. At 06:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city) and Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city). • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Illar and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 12:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem. (ii) At 01:05, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area until 01:30.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Wall Gates: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoint: At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Jit.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. • Checkpoints/Land Levelling: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. (ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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. (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. (v) The Israeli army continues to level land in the area surrounding Huwwara checkpoint in order to expand it. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint/Attack/Injury:</u> At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of An Nassariya and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also opened fire towards a civilian vehicle, injuring Ahmed Hamed Bsharat. • <u>Attack/Injury:</u> At 18:00, the Israeli army opened fire towards 12-year-old Saddam Mleitat, while he was tending sheep on land belonging to the town of Beit Furik near the settlement of Itamar. As a result, Mleitat sustained critical injuries to the head. • <u>Raids:</u> At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. At 00:20, the Israeli army, including 16 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided the city again, set up checkpoints on several road junctions, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also searched 1 building as well as a number of houses and withdrew at 06:00. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 18:30, Israeli troops positioned at Al Badhan checkpoint arrested Firas Nayef Abu 'Arrah.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. The Israeli army has also installed computers at the 2 checkpoints to examine civilians' IDs, thereby impeding civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and to prevent civilians from leaving the city, only allowing those holding Jericho- and Jerusalem-issued IDs to cross. • Flying Checkpoint: At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 20:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al 'Auja.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:05, and again 20:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area. (ii) At 21:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:30. • Demonstration: In protest of Wall construction in the area, civilian residents of the village of Um Salamuna as well as neighbouring villages held a mass demonstration and performed Friday prayers on their land, which the Israeli army threatens to confiscate for Wall construction.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area

	<p>of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh.</p> <p>(ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> • <u>Raid/Attack on Religious Site/Detentions:</u> <p>(i) At 12:55, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Kahil, raided 1 mosque, detained worshippers inside, and examined their IDs. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and searched the offices of a charitable association. Consequently, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 14:25, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up 2 checkpoints in the areas of Ras al Jora and Nimra, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.</p> • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Abdul Hameed al 'Atawneh in the town of Beit Kahil.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. No violations of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement were reported.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. From 13:30 until 16:10, the Crossing was closed to civilian access.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the entry of trucks only.