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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 February 2005 – 08:00 09 February 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	—	3	3	From Israeli army military posts
Raids	11	2	13	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem and 2 in Nablus
Arrests (per person)	3	—	3	1 in Jenin and 2 in Tulkarem
Detentions	11	—	11	Incl. in residential compounds
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	East of the town of Yatta
House Occupation	1	—	1	On Al Quds St. in Nablus
Curfews	2	—	2	Incl. in the village of Kafr Qalil
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	12	—	12	Incl. 3 in Salfit and 3 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. northern Jordan Valley
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(10)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. 4 partially open
Medical Obstruction	1	—	1	Medics denied access to Nablus
School Disruption	2	—	2	1 school raided in Al Khadr
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. attack on 1 house in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	2	2	Incl. open fire towards 1 Pal. post
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	2 mortars towards Gush Katif
Demonstration	1	—	1	In Bethlehem supporting prisoners
TOTAL	75	13	88	

DISTRICT	EVENT
<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. • On 08 February 2005, a summit conference was convened in the Egyptian city of Sharm Ash Sheikh between Palestinian President Mahmoud ‘Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Ari’el Sharon, and attended by Jordanian King Abdullah Bin Al Hussein and Egyptian President Husni Mubarak. The summit conference was concluded with an agreement on a mutual ceasefire between Palestinians and Israelis.

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 intensified its restrictions at ‘Anata and Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoints, obstructing 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. • Settler Violence: A group of Israeli settlers damaged commercial storefronts near Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem.
<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 Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih, searched civilians and vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:35, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah, set up a checkpoint in Um Ash Sharayet neighbourhood, and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<p>(ii) At 22:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Rima and detained 2 civilians until 24:00.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:15, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Beit Rima.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army imposed a military closure over the area of the Jordan Valley east of the town of Tubas and prevented civilians from entering the area, stating that the area is a closed military zone. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tammun, searched civilian vehicles, obstructed civilian movement, and delayed students from reaching their schools. • Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Tubas, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 04:00. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 'Utbah Faleh Daraghme in the town of Tubas.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav gate which controls the road between the cities of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 08:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bal'a, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and detained a number of civilians. At 17:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Raid: At 07:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Qaffin, searched a number of houses, after detaining their residents, and arrested 2 civilians. At 09:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Qaffin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Rabi' Yousef 'Ammar; and (ii) Fadi Ahmed Kattaneh.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint near the town of 'Azzun and another flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> Beginning at 06:30 on 08 February 2005, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Nablus and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the city. Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint also prevented a team of medics from entering the city of Nablus. At 11:00, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoints. • <u>Raid/Curfew/House Occupation:</u> At 19:25, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided the city of Nablus and the village of Kafr Qalil, imposed curfew on Al Quds Street and the village of Kafr Qalil, occupied 1 civilian building along Al Quds Street, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 08:00, the Israeli army set up several flying checkpoints at the entrances to the district of Salfit, searched civilians and vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. • <u>Raid:</u> At 07:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr Ad Dik. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the village again and patrolled the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army permitted only residents of the city of Jericho to enter the city.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <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>Raid/School Disruption:</u> An Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, raided the Boys School in the town while school was in session, and searched classrooms in the school while students were in class. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 12:25, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Bethlehem outside the offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross in solidarity with Palestinian political prisoners.

HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure/Closure of Road:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army closed the road connecting the town of Adh Dhahiriya and 'Arab Ar Ramadin with cement blocks, preventing movement of civilian vehicles. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> On the morning of 09 February 2005, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up checkpoints, and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Land Confiscation:</u> The Israeli army issued a military order to confiscate land east of the town of Yatta near the settlement of Ma'on for military purposes. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> A group of Israeli settlers attacked the house of Yousef Ash Sharabati in the old city of Hebron.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals and humanitarian cases only.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. (iii) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially open to supplies and cement cargo only. • <u>Attack:</u> At 14:50, the Israeli army opened fire directly towards 1 Palestinian National Security location north of Sheikh 'Ajlin junction south of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> At 10:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the Gush Katif settlement bloc towards civilian houses in the area of Al Barakah.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 02:55, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Gush Katif settlement bloc. However, the mortars did not explode.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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. (v) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed. (vi) Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. (vii) Morag road connecting Khan Yunis eastern and western roads is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At 09:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its locations at Points 3 and 4 towards the area of Al Matahin in Al Qarara. • <u>Raid:</u> At 16:00, an Israeli army tank raided the area of Abu Al 'Ajin in Al Qarara and took position 20 meters away from 1 Palestinian Liaison patrol.
RAFAH	<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 over the age of 35 only. (iii) Sufa Crossing is open to construction cargo only. (iv) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open to workers only. • <u>Raid:</u> At 23:45, an Israeli army jeep raided Palestinian territory in As Salaam neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp along the Palestinian-Egyptian border.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Renewal of Administrative Detention:</u> Israeli authorities renewed administrative detention orders (arrest without charge or trial) for 16 political prisoners held in Israeli army prisons.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 9,819 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30.• <u>Gaza Strip:</u>(i) Israeli authorities renewed 148 work permits for workers to enter Erez and Karni Industrial Zones. However, workers were not allowed access to the Industrial Zones due to the imposed closure.(ii) Following the cancellation of previous work permits, Israeli authorities renewed 780 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line to work in the agricultural sector, including 1 permit to work in the service sector. However, workers were not allowed access into the Green Line due to the imposed closure.
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