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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 February 2007 – 08:00 15 February 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	6	—	6	School teachers & student beaten, J'lem
Injuries	3	—	3	Incl. 1 civilian and his wife in Hebron
Attacks	10	—	10	4 in raids & 6 during confrontations
Raids	29	2	31	Incl. 6 in Ramallah & 6 in Bethlehem
Air Patrols	2	2	4	Incl. troops dispatched by helicopters
Arrests	33	—	33	Incl. 1 child & 3 Pal. security officers
Detentions	20	—	20	At checkpoints & in residential areas
House Demolition	1	—	1	1 makeshift house in Hebron district
Land levelling	1	1	2	Incl. land near Al 'Arrub RC, Hebron
Wall Construction	26	—	26	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	3	—	3	Incl. 7 barracks demolished in Jenin
Confiscation of Property	2	—	2	1 computer & files from charities, Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	12	—	12	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 3 in Tulkarem
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	—	4	4	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
School Disruption	1	—	1	1 school raided in Abu Dis town, J'lem
Settler Violence	1	—	1	A 2-storey house seized in Hebron
Demonstration	1	—	1	Against land levelling near Aqsa Mosque
TOTAL	206	9	215	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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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.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and prevent civilians from accessing the mosque, only allowing access to female civilians and civilians holding Israeli-issued IDs who are above 45 years of age. This Israeli measure aims to prevent civilian demonstrations against the Israeli army's levelling of Bab al Maghariba old road, which leads to Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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. 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. 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 continues 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. Raids/School Disruption/Physical Assaults: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 03:15, the Israeli army raided the area surrounding Qalandiya refugee camp and searched 4 houses.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and school students, after which the Israeli army raided the town's boys school and beat a number of teachers and students. As a result, 6 teachers and students sustained contusions. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians in the area of Bab Hutta in the city of Jerusalem: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ma'moun Sidqi Dweik; (ii) Wisam Mohammed Sider; (iii) Hatem 'Azzam at Tamimi; (iv) Tareq 'Uthman at Tamimi; (v) Fahmi Mahir al Basti; (vi) Ragheb 'Abed Abu Sneineh; and (vii) Tareq Ziyad.
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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. • 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 continues 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Shukheidim and searched a number of houses. (ii) At 17:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beituniya. (iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bir Zeit. (iv) At 03:05, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh as well as the town of Beituniya, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 05:00. • Arrest: At 19:50, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara arrested Mohammed 'Awadh al Massri, a Palestinian National Security officer.
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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jenin, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints in the areas between the towns of Az Zababida and ‘Arraba and between the villages of Al Hashimiya and Kafr Qud and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Destruction of Property/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps and 2 bulldozers, raided the village of Imreiha, demolished 7 barracks for raising livestock, and dismantled a residential tent. (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the town of Qabatiya, opened intensive fire, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jenin arrested Abdullah Ibrahim ‘Ubeid. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Samer Ahmed Nazzal in the town of Qabatiya.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city). (ii) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at ‘Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and prevented civilians under 30 years of age from leaving the city. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 09:10, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints: 2 on the junctions to Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem and the town of Bal’a and 1 along the road to the village of Ramin’s plain. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00. • <u>Raid/Attack:</u> At 18:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the village of Far’un. After stones were thrown at the fence forming part of the Wall complex, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound grenades. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 02:30 on 14 February 2006, the Israeli army arrested Shaher Fawzi Khamis during its raid into Tulkarem refugee camp, in addition to those reported yesterday.

<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILIYA</p>	<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: <ul 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, with a metal detector. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoint: At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jinsafut, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer. • Raids/Attack/Palestinian Attack/Detentions/Air Patrol: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Azzun. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town again, opened intensive fire, set up a checkpoint along the road to the village of Ras Tira, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. In addition, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the Israeli army, after which the Israeli army detained a number of civilians. (ii) At 20:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and combed the area east of the town of Kafr Thulth. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Jinsafut arrested Abdul Qader Abdul Lateef Jum’ah, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul 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: 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. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access. (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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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) At 08:00, the Israeli army closed Beit Iba checkpoint and denied civilian access, claiming to be investigating a suspicious object. At 08:30, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint. (vi) At 09:50, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Badhan checkpoint, impeding civilian access. The Israeli army also denied access to civilians under 35 years of age. • Raids: At 01:45, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and arrested 8 civilians, including 1 child. At 06:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 8 civilians in the city of Nablus and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Salman al Banna, 17 years old; (ii) Zahi Zuheir al Kousa; (iii) Mujahed Sami Abu ar Rish; (iv) Tamer Bassam Abu ar Rish; (v) Marwan Jamal Abu ar Rish; (vi) Subhi Tayseer Mabrouk; (vii) Tayseer Mabrouk; and (viii) Badee' Nasser Khalafeh.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <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. • Checkpoints: <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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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. • Raids/Air Patrol/Attacks/Injury/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and combed the area between the towns of Kafr ad Dik and Deir Ghassana. At 12:50, the Israeli troops withdrew from the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 16:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit, set up a checkpoint along the road to the town of Bruqin, searched civilians and vehicles, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 17:00. (iii) At 17:20, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr ad Dik. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child. (iv) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Istiya and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area. (v) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Marda. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also detained 2 civilians and withdrew at 02:35. • Demonstration/Raid: At 11:00, a demonstration, including school students, took place in the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan in protest against the Israeli army's land levelling near Al Aqsa Mosque. Consequently, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and school students. At 12:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
JERICHO	<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 and impede civilian access 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. (ii) From 17:20 until 18:00, the Israeli army closed 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested Ali as Sayyed al Mughrabi, a Palestinian Police officer.
BETHLEHEM	<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 continues 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Nahhalin. (ii) At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Marah Rabah and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 07:00, the Israeli army, including 1 armoured vehicle and 1 jeep, raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Hamzeh Mousa ash Sheikh in the village of Marah Rabah.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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 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. (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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. (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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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>Raids/Confiscation of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, raided the offices of a charitable association, and confiscated files. (ii) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 1 civilian. The Israeli army also raided the offices of a charitable association as well as confiscated 1 computer and files. (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ula and arrested 1 civilian.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: At dawn on 13 February 2007, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Dura, in addition to those reported yesterday: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Azmi Mahmoud Zalatah; and (ii) Tayseer Khalil Raba'i. At 14:15, the Israeli army arrested 6 civilians from the same family while they were marching in the funeral of a relative, claiming that they threw stones at Israeli settlers in the old city of Hebron: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Akram Abu Sbeih; (iv) Firas Abu Sbeih; (v) Fares Abu Sbeih; (vi) Lu'ay Abu Sbeih; (vii) Sufyan Abu Sbeih; and (viii) 'Abed Abu Sbeih. (ix) The Israeli army arrested Ali Mahmoud Abu Zalatah, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence agency in the settlement of Hagai. (x) The Israeli army arrested Ramzi Hasan ash Sharawneh in the town of Dura. (xi) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Salameh al 'Amareen in the town of Beit Ula. • House Demolition/Injuries: At 16:30, the Israeli army demolished a makeshift house belonging to Suleiman Hamad in the area of Khashm ad Daraj. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and residents, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians (the house owner and his wife). • Land Levelling: The Israeli army levelled land on top of Abu Suda Mount opposite Al 'Arrub refugee camp. • Settler Violence: At 15:35, Israeli settlers seized control of a 2-storey house in Tal Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron.
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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. However, the Israeli army carried out 2 raids into Palestinian territory, during one of which it levelled land. In addition, combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory on 2 occasions.
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 10:50 until 11:45, the Israeli army closed the Crossing. • Raid: At 17:40, the Israeli army, including a number of armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory near Point 40 on the Green Line east of the town of Beit Hanun, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. • Air Patrols: At 10:50, and again at 21:10, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.

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"> • <u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u> At 12:25, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including a number armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory near Point 146 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara and levelled land.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.