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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00, 15 February 2011 – 08:00, 16 February 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	5	—	5	4 in Hebron & 1 in Nablus
Arrests (per person)	12	1	13	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 2 in Qalqiliya
Detentions	15	—	15	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	28	—	28	Incl. 4 in Nablus & 2 in Jericho
Checkpoints	9	—	9	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	—	18	Incl. 3 in Jericho & 1 in Salfit
Attacks	4	—	4	Incl. 1 in a raid & 1 by settlers
Provocation of Pal. Forces	3	—	3	Incl. detain Pal. Nat. Sec. vehicle
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	47	—	47	Incl. 3 in Salfit & 1 in Jericho
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Partial opening of 1 crossing
Settlement Activity	1	—	1	construction of a wall around a settlement
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. open fire towards a farmer
TOTAL	**164**	**7**	**171**	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
	WEST BANK
JERUSALEM	• **Closure:** (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the occupied city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque, and prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city, except those possessing Israeli permits. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa. • **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section separating the area of Dahiyat Al Bareed in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa, which leads to the city of Jerusalem, by an iron gate, and allows civilians access to occupied Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint only. • **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and only allows holders of Jerusalem IDs to access the city of Jerusalem. • **Provocation of Palestinian Forces:** At 10:30, the Israeli army detained at Jaba' checkpoint (on the road connecting the districts of Jerusalem, Ramallah and Jericho) a Palestinian National Security vehicle carrying 3 officers and allowed it to pass at 10:55 following DCO intervention. • **Wall Gates:** (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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-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 north of Qalandiya village, south of Az-Za'im village and al-'Eizariya Valley and west of the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	• **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village, Safa village and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya.

	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih with an iron gate after removing the dirt barricade from its entrance. • **Raids:** (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Arura, positioned troops near the civil police station and patrolled the area until 11:45. (ii) At 13:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Burqa. (iii) At 15:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Bil'in and detained the children Wajdi Ali Abu Rahma, 12-year-old, and Eid Jalal Al Khatib, 12-year-old, under the pretext of throwing stones. (iv) At 00:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of ElBireh until 01:30. (v) At 02:05, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Ebwin and arrested 3 civilians, including a child. (vi) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya and arrested a child. • **Arrests:** (i) The Israeli army arrested in the town of 'Ebwin: Ali Mahmoud Abdallah Al Barq, 17-year-old; Ayman Nayef Qbeisi; and Firas Abdulmun'em Abdulrazeq Mzahem. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Beituniya 16-year-old Khalil Muhammad Khalil Ash-Shamali. • **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud, in the periphery of the settlement of Ofarim and north of the villages of Al Lubban Al Gharbi and Rantis.
JENIN	• **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • **Raids:** (i) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Arraba, searched 3 houses and withdrew at 02:00. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Arraba until 02:30. • **Wall Gates:** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TOUBAS	• **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00. • **Raid:** At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Far'a and searched a house. • **Detention:** At 14:20, the Israeli army detained at Tayasir checkpoint the civilian Lu'ay Amer Nayef Sawaftah and released him at a later time. • **Settlement Activity:** At 10:00, the Israeli army started the construction of a wall around the settlement of Maskiot that is located near the village of Al Maleh in the Northern Jordan Valley.

TULKAREM	**Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr Al Labad and the village of Shofeh and the road between the villages of Shofeh and Izbat Shofeh. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the side road leading to the village of Ramin (off Tulkarm – Nablus main road). **Checkpoint:** At 14:40, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. Again at 04:20, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access. **Flying Checkpoints:** (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat Road (which connects the districts of Tulkarm and Qalqiliya) and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 13:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles. **Raids:** (i) At 14:05, the Israeli army raided the village of Far'un and patrolled the area. (ii) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the refugee camps of Tulkarm and Nur Shams in Tulkarm city. (iii) At 04:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the neighborhood of Shuweika in Tulkarm city. **Wall Gates:** Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
QALQILYA	**Closure of Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. **Raids:** (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Hajja. Again at 17:50, the Israeli army raided the village, set up a flying checkpoint and patrolled the area. (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Baqa Al Hatab. (iii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qaddum and fired stun grenades while patrolling the area. **Arrests:** At 01:20 on 15 February 2011, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians during a raid on the town of Azzun, in addition to what was mentioned in the previous report. They are Sufyan Abu Haniya and Thaer Sufyan Abu Haniya. **Wall Gates:** (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and search civilians, including students, with a detector.

	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Ar-Rasha and prevent the access of its inhabitants. The Israeli army only allows the passage of students to their schools outside the village through Habla town gate, while allowing the passage of civilians through gate # 109. • **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues on land belonging to the village of Kafr Laqif, north of the settlement of Karni Shomron, on land belonging to the village of Immatin, northeast of the settlement of 'Amano'el, and east of the town of Kafr Thulth near the settlement of Ma'aleh Shomron.
NABLUS	• **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement. • **Checkpoints:** (i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only from 07:00 until 02:00. (ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00. • **Flying Checkpoints:** (i) At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Salem, detained a number of civilians and released them after conducting field interrogation with them. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 12:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf (on Nablus – Tulkarm main road). Again at 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:20. (iv) At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya. (v) At 14:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik and searched civilians and vehicles. • **Raid:** At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and patrolled the area until 24:00. • **Settler Violence:** At 15:10, a group of settlers from Kaida settlement outpost opened fire towards the civilian Wael Mahmoud Ayyad while working on his land in Jalud village. As a result, he sustained injury.

SALFIT	• **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances of 2 side roads between the village of Marda and its agricultural land. (iii) The Israeli army continues to open the northern entrance to the city of Salfit (that has been closed for 7 years) and allow the access of passenger buses only. • **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • **Flying Checkpoint:** At 14:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the overpass leading to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:40. • **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the area north of the town of Deir Istiya (southeast of the settlement of 'Amanu'el).
JERICHO	• **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 that is located between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. • **Checkpoints:** (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those with permits. • **Flying Checkpoints:** At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho. Again at 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. • **Raids:** (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Fasayil. (ii) At 20:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Jiftlik, set up a flying checkpoint at its entrance, patrolled the area and withdrew at 21:20. (iii) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Auja and served summon to the civilian Mazen Ahmad Ka'abneh to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jericho until 02:40.
BETHLEHEM	• **Closure:** (i) 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.

	(ii) As of 15 September 2007, the Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access, pursuant to military order # 07/02, to 22 *dunum* area confiscated according to military order # 07/31 to establish a crossing point in the area of Al Mazmuriya between the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. (iii) As of 20 January 2011, the Israeli army continues to close the dirt road between the villages of Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a. • **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town and the agricultural road that is located between the town of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. • **Flying Checkpoint:** At 23:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the city of Beit Jala. • **Raids:** (i) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Ubaidiya, took photographs for the civil police station and a Palestinian National Security location while patrolling the area and withdrew at 12:25. (ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan where confrontations took place with civilians. The Israeli army arrested a civilian who is married to a Jewish woman and withdrew at 23:55. • **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested in the village of Husan the civilian Muhammad Basem Hamamreh. • **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr and Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
HEBRON	• **Closure:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to al Laban Market by iron boards. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 09/06 closing the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuating those inside it and preventing civilians from accessing it. This is the land seized for military purposes for the construction of the Wall. • **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to

the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya.

(ii)   The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.

(iii)   The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to bypass Road # 60.

(iv)   The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the side roads off the bypass road leading to the town of Yatta.

- **Flying Checkpoints:** At 17:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.

- **Raids:**

(i)   At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. Again at 21:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.

(ii)   At 20:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.

(iii)   At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Khursa and patrolled the area until 23:40.

- **Arrests:**

(i)   At 00:50 on 15 February 2011, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on the town of Tapuah, as mentioned in the previous report, the civilian Ibrahim Ahmad Ibrahim Khamayseh.

(ii)   At 01:00 on 15 February 2011, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on the town of during a raid on the town of Bani Na'im, as mentioned in the previous report, the civilian Jihad Sulaiman Muhammad Mawas.

(iii)   At 03:00 on 15 February 2011, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians after storming their houses in the area of Jabal Johar in the old city of Hebron. They are: 'Alya' Muhammad Yahya Jadallah Al Ja'bari; Sameeh Nu'man Shukri Da'na; and Raed Abdulfattah Abdulghani Al Ja'bari.

- **Attack:** In the evening of 15 February 2011, the Israeli army stationed in the area around the settlement of Karmi Tsur fired rubber coated steel bullets towards a number of civilians in the area of Ad Dhahr that is located south of Beit Ummar town and near the settlement under the pretext of throwing stones. As a result, 4 civilians were injured.

- **Settler Violence:** At 12:20, a group of Israeli settlers hurled stones and threw garbage towards civilians in Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron.

- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	• At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period.

NORTHERN GAZA	• <u>**Closure of Crossing Point:**</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for the passage of critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, the staff of international humanitarian organizations, traders, businessmen and civilians travelling through Al Karama Crossing who have prior coordination. • <u>**Arrests:**</u> In the morning of 15 February 2011, the Israeli army arrested on Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing the civilian Muhammad Mousa Za'rab while accompanying his sister who suffers from cancer as she was heading to a hospital for treatment.
GAZA	• <u>**Closure of Crossing Points:**</u> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Events not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	• Events not reported.
RAFAH	• <u>**Closure of Crossing Points:**</u> **(All Closed)** (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.