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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 18th February 2012 – 08:00, 19th February 2012

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	—	5	5	Residents during air strikes including minors
Detention	8	—	8	3 in Jenin, 1 in Qalqilya, 3 in Jericho and 3 in Bethlehem including a mentally disabled individual, a university student and a Police officer
Temporary Detention	15	—	15	At checkpoints and residential areas including 4 minors and 2 security officers.
Raids	21	1	22	1 in Jerusalem, 4 in Ramallah, 3 in Jenin, 3 in Qalqilya, 4 in Nablus, 4 in Jericho, 2 in Hebron and 1 in north Gaza.
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	2 closed, access allowed at 3 checkpoints and impeded at 5 others.
Flying Checkpoints	23	—	23	2 in Jerusalem, 1 in Jenin, 1 in Tubas, 1 in Tulkarem, 9 in Qalqilya, 1 in Nablus, 1 in Salfit, 3 in Jericho and 2 in Hebron.
Attack	1	1	2	1 during raids and 1 during confrontations.
Aerial Assault	—	3	3	Israeli aircrafts fired missiles towards the district of Gaza.
Aerial Surveillance	—	1	1	Israeli aircrafts surveyed the skies of Gaza
Destruction of Property	—	2	2	A home was damaged during airstrike towards the Gaza strip.
Wall Construction	—	—	—	Wall construction was halted in all areas
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Including 2 in Bethlehem, 1 in Jerusalem, 1 in Tubas and 5 in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	66	—	66	Including 4 in Tulkarem, 9 in Nablus, 21 in Bethlehem and 20 in Hebron.
Closure of Crossings	—	6	6	Rafah crossing was open.
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Israeli settlers assaulted a resident near Qalandiya checkpoint in Jerusalem.
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	Palestinian gunmen launched 3 projectiles towards the Green Line.
TOTAL	153	20	173	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

<p>JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Since January 6th 2012, the Israeli army increased its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrance to Jerusalem city, set up several flying checkpoints on the main road leading to the city entrance and the entrance to the Old City. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the ‘demarcation area’ along the Wall in the area surrounding occupied East Jerusalem and restricts access to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Ikksa villages. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt mounds the entrance to Jaba’ village. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the gate along the Wall section separating the area of Dahiyat Al-Bareed from Al-Ram town. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Ikksa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designate a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and another for those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • <u>Raids:</u> At 20:15, Israeli forces raided Mikhmas village until 20:40. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 04:30, a group of Israeli settlers positioned near Qalandiya checkpoint assaulted Ashraf Al Masri leaving him hospitalised with contusions. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Al-Shayyah road in the area between Al-Sawahira Al-Sharqiya and Al-Sawahira Al-Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was halted in the areas north and south of Qalandiya village; south of Al-Za’ayyem village; and in Wadi Al-Eizariya west of the illegal settlement Ma’ale Adumim for Sabbath holiday.
<p>RAMALLAH & AL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and ‘Ein Samiya villages. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 00:50 Israeli forces raided Silwad and searched a home. (ii) At 01:15, Israeli forces raided Beit Rima, stormed a home and summoned Hussein Al Khatib to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning. (iii) At 01:40, Israeli forces raided Al Taybeh. (iv) At 02:00, Israeli forces raided Beituniya, stormed 2 homes and summoned Musa

	<p>Arish and Jum'a Shahin to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning then withdrew at 03:30.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was halted in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding the illegal settlement 'Ofarim and north of Al-Lubban Al-Gharbi and Rantis villages because of Sabbath holiday.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the illegal settlement Dotan. • Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint near the southern entrance to Silat Al Thaher and detained 3 residents. • Raids: At 13:30, 15:30 and again at 22:30, Israeli forces raided Zubaba village until 23:05. • Detention: Israeli forces detained Khalid Bariki, Eid Abu Al Muna and Saber Jalad (a mentally ill individual). • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which undercuts the access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: At 17:35 the Israeli army restricted Palestinian access to the Northern Jordan Valley through the Tayasir checkpoint to between the hours of 06:00 and 22:00. • Flying Checkpoint: At 08:25, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint between Al Far'a and Serein villages until 10:20.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road connecting Kafr Al-Labad town to Shufa village. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to increase its restrictions on Palestinian access at Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road and impeded the free flow of traffic. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at Illar junction until 15:15. (ii) At 15:50, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at Bal'a junction until 17:00. (iii) At 07:10, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, undercutting access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route was halted in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village for Sabbath holiday.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli forces continue to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of Azzun town. (ii) In addition to closing the gate installed since the outbreak the second Intifada, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village. • Flying Checkpoint: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint beneath Azzun bridge. (ii) At 09:20, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint between Azzun and Kafr Thulth

	<p>until 09:55.</p> <p>(iii) At 12:20 and again at 20:45, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Qalqilya until 22:00.</p> <p>(iv) At 13:20, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Kafr Qaddum village and detained a Police officer then withdrew at 13:50.</p> <p>(v) At 19:30, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Azzun, detained Faris Zarour and summoned him to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning.</p> <p>(vi) At 20:15, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Immatin village.</p> <p>(vii) At 22:05, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint near Jinsafut village.</p> <p>(viii) At 07:10, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at Jit village junction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:15, Israeli forces raided Hajja and Al Funduq villages. (ii) At 21:35, Israeli forces raided Jinsafut village. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to restrict access at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, using a metal detector. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Al-Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the gate at the entrance to the village of Ras Atiya; the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was halted in Kafr Laqef village north of Karne Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma’ale Shomron settlement because of Sabbath holiday.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Til-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 Osrin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osrin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to Qabalan town; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma’in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Mount Jerzim) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open between 07:00 and, 02:00 (ii) At 05:00 Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are only allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00 and between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 07:10, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at Deir Sharaf junction. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 00:50, Israeli forces raided Qabalan village, stormed a home, summoned Yazid Nu’man to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning and withdrew at 01:50.

	<p>(ii) At 01:00, Israeli forces raided Awarta, stormed a home, summoned Muhanad Dawarsha to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning then withdrew at 02:30.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:20, Israeli forces raided Beit Furik and searched several homes.</p> <p>(iv) At 01:35, Israeli forces raided Beita.</p>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland. (ii) Since 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has opened the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years, and at 11:00, Israeli forces closed the entrance and impeded the free flow of traffic. Also at 06:30 and again at 11:30 on February 18th 2012, the Israeli army closed the wall gate and prevented residents from entering or leaving until a later time. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to increase restrictions on access at the Za'tara checkpoint and impedes the free flow of traffic. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 09:30, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Iskaka village until 12:00. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was halted north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement because of Sabbath holiday.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al-Oja village with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli forces continue to restrict access through Al-Hamra checkpoint set up along the road connecting Jericho and Nablus Districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho District and the Jordan Valley. (ii) Israeli forces continue restrict access at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al-Ouja village, only allowing access to residents of the Jericho District and others with access permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 08:40 and again at 21:15, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance of Jericho. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:10, Israeli forces raided Al Oja village. (ii) At 15:00, Israeli forces raided Al Fasayil village, set up a flying checkpoint, temporarily detained several residents and obtained personal information from them including Hamza Ibiat a national security officer. (iii) At 03:30, Israeli forces raided Jericho city and Aqbat Jaber camp, clashed with residents, searched several homes, detained several residents then withdrew at 04:50. • <u>Detention:</u> Israeli forces detained Husam Ibrahim, Mohammad Masri and Ibrahim Ihmeidan during their raid into Jericho.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Since 15 September 2007, the Israel army has prevented civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmed road; a road between Um Tuba and Al-Jass ; a road between Um Tuba and Khilat Nu'man:

	<p>a road between Um Tuba and the wall; a road between Al-Khas village and the wall; the 2 by pass roads located south of Al-Walaja; a road between Talita Qumi and Nazlat Al-Sider in Beit Jala; the eastern road of Al-Khader; the road between Al-Khader and Beit Jala ; the road between Al-Khader and road #60 which lead to the eastern neighbourhoods of Bethlehem; a road leading to Wadi Rahal, and a road east of Beit Fajjar town with dirt mounds.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road leading to “Newe Daniyyel” settlement and agricultural land in Al-Khader; a road between Um Tuba and Wadi Al-Hums: Wadi Fukin, Al-Jaba, the Green Line; a road between Za’tara and a detour road, and a road between Taqou and Khirbet Al-Deir with cement blocks.</p> <p>(iii) Since February 12 2012 at 14:00, the Israeli army closed the road leading to Al Fardous village with dirt mounds and cement blocks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Detention:</u> At 22:30, Israeli forces positioned at Container checkpoint detained Jallal Al Asa, a university student from Al Ubeidiya. • <u>Temporary Detention:</u> At 14:40, Israeli forces positioned at container checkpoint temporarily detained Rami Amarna, a National security officer and was realised at 14:50. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was halted northwest of Beit Jala town because of Sabbath holiday.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Al-Shuhada’ Street, Al-Sahleh and Khuzq Al-Far areas, as well as the old gold market in Hebron’s Old City. In addition to closing the entrance to Al-Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an electronic gate; Al-Laban Market also remains closed. (ii) Since 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has closed the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evicted the Palestinian residents and denied them access to the area. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Al-Thahiriya and Al-Samoa’ towns, Al-‘Arrub refugee camp, and Al-Tuwani and Al-Karmil villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along the old Al-Shalala Street leading to Hebron’s Old City. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds a detour road leading to the entrance to Al-Simiya village. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> (i) At 12:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at Al Ramadin junction. (ii) At 14:30, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Ithna. • <u>Raids:</u> (i) At 00:15, Israeli forces raided Al Thahiriya, searched a vehicle repair shop then withdrew at 03:35. (ii) At 01:45, Israeli forces raided Yatta, stormed a home and summoned Atef Raba’ to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning. • <u>Temporary Detention:</u> At 09:00, Israeli forces temporarily detained 4 minors Mohammad Abu Ammar (14 years), Mohammad Judeh Abu Ammar (12 years),

	<p>Islam Farijat (12 years) and Ihab Jabarin (17 years) and released them at a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction halted in the area surrounding the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Thahiriya town because of Sabbath holiday.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by Israel came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 30 October 2011 at 22:00. • On 14.12.2011, Israeli forces placed floating marks 3 miles from Gaza's seashore and warned fishermen against passing beyond the mark. • Israeli forces broke the cease fire agreement by opening fire towards north Gaza. • Israeli Aircrafts broke the cease fire agreement by launching several missiles towards Gaza leaving 5 residents injured including 2 minors. • Palestinian gunmen broke the cease fire agreement after launching projectiles towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) is closed. • Raids: On the evening of February 18th 2012, Israeli forces escorting bulldozers raided Beit Lahiya and opened fire as they levelled a plot of land.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. (ii) Al-Shija'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. • Aerial Assault: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On the evening of February 18th 2012 Israeli aircrafts launched a missile towards a metal shop in Al Zaytuna neighbourhood Gaza city leaving a resident injured and damaged the shop. (ii) On the evening of February 18th 2012, Israeli aircrafts launched 3 missiles towards Palestinian gunmen in Al Tufaha neighbourhood in Gaza city. (iii) At dawn on February 19th 2012, Israeli helicopters launched a missile towards the home of Ahmad Zaharna; leaving 4 residents injured including 2 children and damaged the home.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack: On the evening of February 18th 2012 Palestinian gunmen launched 3 projectiles towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open for critical patients, students and residents with special permits. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially closed.