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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 18th February 2014 – 08:00, 19th February 2014

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1	—	1	A 4 year old child was hospitalised with contusions after being ran over by an Israeli settlers vehicle in Hebron
Raids	17	1	18	2 in Ramallah, 1 in Jenin., 1 in Qalqiliya, 4 in Nablus, 1 in Jericho , 2 in Bethlehem, 6 in Hebron and 1 in Khan Yunis.
Temporary Detention	6	—	6	At checkpoints and residential areas including several school children.
Detention	19	2	21	7 in Jerusalem, 6 in Ramallah, 2 in Tubas, 1 in Qalqiliya, 2 in Nablus and 1 in Hebron including 6 children, a cancer patient at Beit Hanun (Erez) crossing and resident attempting to climb the border fence into Israel.
Closure of Checkpoints	4	—	4	Ras Khamis checkpoint for the purpose of constructing the wall, access allowed at checkpoints around Jerusalem, impeded access at 4 others.
Flying Checkpoints	21	—	21	2 in Jerusalem, 1 in Ramallah, 1 in Jenin, 3 in Qalqiliya, 4 in Nablus, 1 in Salfit, 1 in Jericho, 3 in Bethlehem and 5 in Hebron.
Attack	2	5	7	1 during raids, 1 during confrontations between Israeli forces and residents, 3 from Military posts and 2 from Naval vessels.
Provocation of Palestinian Security Forces	1	—	1	Israeli forces positioned near the entrance of Husan village, harassed a Palestinian Customs Police vehicle while accompanying a vehicle for Consumers protection syndicate, forced the vehicles to stop and forced several occupants out of the vehicles as they were searching a truck carrying goods during which Israeli forces seized the truck in Bethlehem.
Home Occupation	1	—	1	Israeli forces occupied the roof top of a home in Hebron and converted it into a military post
Destruction of Property	36	—	36	Israeli forces demolished several trailers used as vegetable shops in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem.
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Israeli forces levelled a plot of land in Khan Yunis

Wall Construction	14	—	14	4 in Jerusalem. 3 in Ramallah, 4 in Qalqiliya, 1 in Salfit, 1 in Bethlehem and 1 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	9	—	9	Including 2 in Bethlehem, 1 in Jerusalem, 1 in Tubas and 5 in Hebron.
Closure of Main Roads	72	—	72	Including 4 in Tulkarem, 7 in Nablus 24 in Bethlehem and 20 in Hebron.
Closure of Crossings	—	5	5	Beit Hanun (Erez) is open for the passage of critical patients, journalists, NGO staff, businessmen and passengers travelling abroad through Al-Karama crossing with previous coordination and Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is open for the passage of critical patients, journalists, NGO staff, businessmen and passengers travelling abroad through Al-Karama crossing with previous coordination, diesel fuel, truckloads of construction material for Internationally funded projects as well as 1 shipment of Vegetables.
Assault on Places of Worship	1	—	1	Israeli settlers stormed Al-Aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and provoked worshippers
Settler Violence	5	—	5	Israeli settlers slashed the tires of 30 vehicles in Jerusalem, uprooted 700 Olive trees in Turmus' ayya and killed 5 goats in Qalqiliya and harassed residents in Ramallah and Qalqiliya and ran over a 4 year old child in Hebron
Demonstration	2	—	2	In solidarity with Palestinian detainees and demanding their release from Israeli prisons
Total	211	14	225	

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army, intensified their restrictions at the entrance to Jerusalem city, set up several flying checkpoints on the main road leading to the city and prevented worshippers under the age of 50 from conducting prayers at Al-Aqsa mosque compound. (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 with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Ikksa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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 and impeded the free flow of traffic. (ii) On September 19th 2012, Israeli forces closed Ras Khamis checkpoint near Shu’fat camp and impeded the free flow of traffic in order to construct the wall. • <u>Detention:</u> At 15:00, Israeli forces detained 7 residents including 5 children: Mohammad Al-Ad’is (17 years old), Abdel Karim Al-Hadad (14 years old), Mohammad Al-Natsheh (14 years old), Abdallah Al-Zarba (17 years old), Wahid Al-Bakri (17 years old), Ziyad Hadwan and Mohammad Abu Na’eb in Al-aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem. • <u>Attack:</u> At 16:20, Israeli forces positioned near the wall gate in Dahiyat Al-Barid in Jerusalem fired stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning. • <u>Assault on Places of Worship:</u> On the morning of February 18th 2014, Israeli settlers under the protection of Israeli Police stormed Al-Awsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and provoked worshippers. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At dawn on February 19th 2014, Israeli settlers under the protection of Israeli forces stormed Al-Sharafat neighbourhood in Jerusalem and slashed the tires of 30 vehicles owned by residents and wrote racist graffiti on several walls. • <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-Slewahira 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 resumed in the areas north and south of Qalandiya village; south of Al-Za’ayem village; and in Wadi Al-Eizariya west of the illegal settlement Ma ’ale Adumim.
RAMALLAH & AL BIREH	<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 entrances to Sinjil village well as the junction to Kafr Malik and ‘Ein Samiya villages. (ii) Since September 3rd 2013, Israeli forces closed the north east entrance of Al-Mughier village with dirt mounds. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:05, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Turmus’ayya village. • <u>Raid:</u> At 01:00, Israeli forces raided Al-Bireh city and Beituniya, stormed several homes, detained 4 residents then withdrew at 04:35. • <u>Detention:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, Israeli forces detained Saji Farah Atiya in Kafr Ni’ meh village. (ii) At 13:10, Israeli forces detained Naser Janisirat (14 years old) near the wall gate in Beituniya. (iii) Israeli forces detained 4 residents: Nassif Hussien, Mohammad Saqer, Husam Abu Irmeleh and Baha Abu Irmeleh in Al-Bireh city and Beituniya. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 07:50, Israeli settlers stormed Turmus’aya and uprooted 700 Olive trees owned by Mohammad Abu Awad and Rabah Al-Araj. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:00, a demonstration took place in front of the International

	<p>Red Cross headquarters in Al-Bireh city in solidarity with Palestinian detainees and demanding their release from Israeli prisons.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction resumed 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.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the illegal settlement Dotan. (ii) Since the evening of November 25th 2012, Israeli forces closed the western entrance of Ya’bad. • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:10, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Zubaba village. • Raid: At 18:00, Israeli forces raided Ya’bad then withdrew at 18:40. • 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"> • Detention: On February 14th 2014, Israeli forces detained 2 residents: Burhan Hamad and Iz Al-Din Hamad in the north Jordan valley.
TULKAREM	<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 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. • Checkpoint: Israeli forces continue to intensify their restrictions at “Eniv” checkpoint located along the main road connecting Tulkarem and Nablus and impeded the free flow of traffic. • Demonstration: At 10:00, a demonstration took place in front of the International Red Cross headquarters in Tulkarem in solidarity with Palestinian detainees and demanding their release from Israeli prisons. • 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.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: <ul 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:55 and again at 18:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint near Jit village. (ii) At 16:10, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Azzun. • Raid: At 14:20, Israeli forces raided Qalqiliya and detained a resident. • Detention: Israeli forces detained Maysoun Sharim (54 years old) in Qalqiliya. • Attack: At 22:50, Israeli forces positioned near the gate on the Green line in North Qalqiliya and opened fire towards several resident. • Settler Violence: At 14:00, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over a herd of goats, killing 5 head (goats) owned by Mohammad Bashir along the main road near Jinsafut village. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to restrict access at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and impeded the free flow of traffic. The Israeli army continues to close

	<p>with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Al- Rasha and to deny civilian access.</p> <p>(ii) 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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction resumed in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Immanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma 'ale Shomron settlement.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Since December 17th 2013, Israeli forces ordered the closure 500 dunumes of land in Qusra village as a closed military area. • Closure of Main Roads: <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. • Flying Checkpoint: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Beit Furiq until 10:20. (ii) At 14:15, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint along "Al-Quds" road located on the south entrance of Nablus until 14:50. (iii) At 18:40, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint along Qusra village on the road connecting Nablus and Qalqiliya until 20:30. (iv) At 20:05, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Aqraba junction. • Raid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, Israeli forces raided Duma village, stormed and searched a home. (ii) At 15:30, Israeli forces escorting several Israeli settler raided Kafr Qalil village, stormed and searched livestock den then withdrew at 16:25. (iii) At 01:10, Israeli forces raided Burin village, detained 2 residents then withdrew at 03:00. • Detention: Israeli forces detained Omar Qadus and Ahmad Asous in Burin. • Temporary Detention: At 13:00, Israeli forces positioned at Al-Labban Al-Sharqiya village temporarily detained several school children for alleged stoning then released them at 13:50.
SALFIT	<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 mounds the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland. (ii) On 15.04.2012, the Israeli army has opened the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian which was closed since the year 2000 and prevented access from 08:00 until 09:20. (iii) Since 11:00 on July 30th 2012, Israeli forces have closed two roads leading to Abu Nasar and Qatan Al-Jama' located in western area of Deir Istiya with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: Israeli forces continue to intensify their restrictions at Za'tara Al-checkpoint and impeded the free flow of traffic. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:05, Israeli forces set up 2 checkpoints between Deir Ballut and Rafat villages until 17:45 • Wall Construction: Wall construction resumed in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> Israeli forces continue to intensify its restrictions at Al-Hamra checkpoint set up along the road connecting Jericho and Nablus District. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 11:50, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the south entrance of Jericho. • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:20, Israeli forces raided Jericho, stormed and searched 2 homes then withdrew at 04:30.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ol 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> <ol 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: 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 ; Wadi Rahal road near "Ifrat" settlement ,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. (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. (iii) Since August 2nd 2012, Israeli forces closed a road leading to Beit Jalla. (iv) Since May 8th 2013, Israeli forces closed the road connecting Al-Carmisan area in Beit Jalla and Al-Walaja with a steel gate and barbed wires. (v) Since June 3rd 2013, the Israeli army closed the road connecting Nihalin and road 60 with dirt mounds. (vi) Since 13:20 on September 29th 2013, the Israeli army closed a road leading to 50 acres of agricultural land in Wadi Salem area in Al-Khadr with dirt mounds. (vii) Israeli forces closed the main road connecting Surif and Al-Jub'a village with dirt mounds. (viii) On January 28th 2014, Israeli forces closed the steel gate at the entrance of Nihalin { replacing the dirt mounds placed at the entrance since the year 2002 } and placed time schedule for opening the gate from 06:00 until 14:00 on a daily bases. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:55, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Al-Nashash junction located at the south entrance of Bethlehem until 16:30. (ii) At 11:55, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the west entrance of Beit Fajjar until 13:30. (iii) At 20:10, Israeli force set up a checkpoint at the west entrance of Taqou' until 21:20. • <u>Raid:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:55, Israeli forces raided Taqou' until 11:30. (ii) At 20:25, Israeli forces raided Harmala village, stormed several homes then withdrew at 21:20.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 13:10, Israeli forces positioned near the entrance of Husan village, harassed a Palestinian Customs Police vehicle while accompanying a vehicle for Consumers protection syndicate, forced the vehicles to stop and forced several occupants out of the vehicles as they were searching a truck carrying goods during which Israeli forces seized the truck then released them at a later time. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Wall construction resumed in North West of Beit Jala town. (ii) On May 1st 2103, an Israeli court ordered the halt of wall construction near Betar village. (iii) On July 21st 2013, Israeli courts ordered the halt of construction of the wall in Al-Carmisan area in the west area of Beit Jalla.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 e to Al-Simiya village, the southern entrance of Al-Samou' and the entrance of Beit Annun with cement blocks. (v) Since July 25th 2012, Israeli forces closed the road connecting Al-Safa and Al-Dirat and also closed the entrance of south Yatta with cement blocks. (vi) Since December 27th 2012, Israeli forces closed the west entrance of Swiesiya village which connects Yatta and Al-Samou' village with cement blocks. (vii) Since 09:45 on September 23rd 2013, Israeli forces closed the main road leading to "Haji" settlement and impeded the free flow of traffic • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Al-Fuwar camp until 11:00. (ii) At 08:00, Israeli force set up a checkpoint along Halhul bridge until 11:00. (iii) At 18:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint between Al-Samou' and Yatta. (iv) At 22:40, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Sa'ir. (v) At 24:00, Israeli force set up a checkpoint at Al-Huwar junction located on the north entrance of Halhul. • <u>Raid:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:55 and again at 16:40, Israeli forces raided Hebron, stormed several homes and vehicle repair shops, occupied the rooftop of a home in Bab Al-Zawiya and converted it into a military post. (ii) At 18:10, Israeli forces raided Ithna, stormed and searched 2 homes.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) At 23:40, Israeli forces raided Halhul. (iv) At 23:55, Israeli forces raided Kharis. (v) At 01:35, Israeli forces raided Yatta and detained a resident. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Detention:</u> Israeli forces detained Baha Abu Sabha in Yatta. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, an Israeli settler positioned near road 35 in Hebron pointed his fire arm towards several residents and vehicles then withdrew at 13:30. (ii) At 14:30, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over and injured Ahmad Burqan (4 years old) near south Hebron leaving him hospitalised with contusions • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction resumed in the area surrounding the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Thahriya town.
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 21:00 on November 21st 2012, 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. • On November 14th 2011 Israeli forces placed floating marks 3 miles from Gaza's seashore and warned fishermen against passing beyond the mark and on November 24th 2012, Israeli forces imposed floating marks of 6 miles and on March 21st 2013 re imposed fishing restrictions of 3 miles. • Israeli forces broke the cease fire agreement by raiding and opening fire towards Khan Yunis. • Israeli forces broke the cease fire agreement by opening fire towards North Gaza and Khan Yunis. • Israeli Naval vessels broke the cease fire agreement by opening fire towards Palestinian fishing boats off the shores of North Gaza and Gaza.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) is open for the passage of critical patients, journalists, NGO staff, businessmen and passengers travelling abroad through Al-Karama crossing with previous coordination. • <u>Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:15, Israeli forces positioned behind the Green Line opened fire towards several residents in Al-Sayfa area in west Beit Lahiya. (ii) At dawn on February 19th 2014, Israeli Naval vessels opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats off the shores of Al-Sudaniya beach in Beit Lahiya. • <u>Detention:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On February 13th 2014, Israeli forces positioned at Beit Hanun (Erez) crossing detained Izat Haboub (A Cancer patient) as he was travelling to West Bank to receive treatment at a hospital. (ii) At 17:00 on February 17th 2014, Israeli forces detained Mohammad Ziyad as he attempted to climb the border fence near Jabaliya to cross into Israel
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul 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. • <u>Attack:</u> At dawn on February 19th 2014, Israeli naval vessels opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats off the shores of Gaza

KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> On the evening of February 18th 2014, Israeli forces escorting several military bulldozers stormed 100 m into the vicinity of Al-Qarara and opened fire and launched artillery shells as they levelled a plot of agricultural land. • <u>Attack:</u> At 08:30 on February 17th 2014, Israeli forces positioned behind the Green line opened fire towards agricultural land in Al-Qarara.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points :</u> • Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. • Rafah (<i>Al 'Awdah</i>) Crossing is open for tourists, residents, and students. • Sufa Crossing is closed. • Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is open for the passage of critical patients, journalists, NGO staff, businessmen and passengers travelling abroad through Al-Karama crossing with previous coordination, diesel fuel , truckloads of construction material for UNURWA and Internationally funded projects.