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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 20th February 2012 – 08:00, 21st February 2012

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	2	—	2	Israeli forces assaulted one person at the Qalandia checkpoint and another in Beit Ummer in Hebron
Detention	14	—	14	4,1,2,1,2,4 in Jerusalem, Ramallah, Jenin, Tubas, Qalqilia and Hebron (including 2 from the newly released detainees).
Temporary Detention	13	—	13	At checkpoints including one Palestinian Policeman
Raids	28	1	29	2,2,3,4,1,4,1,4,2,1,3,6,1 in Jerusalem, Ramallah, Jenin, Tubas, Tulkarem, Qalqilia, Nablus, Salfit,, Bethlehem, Hebron and Rafah.
Closure of Checkpoints	11	—	11	Access allowed at 3 checkpoints & impeded at 8 others.
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 2,1,1,6,4,1,4, in Jerusalem, Ramallah, Tulkarem, Qalqilia, Nablus, Jericho, and Hebron.
Attacks	7	4	11	2 Raid, 5 during clashes and 1 from Israeli war ships.
Confiscation of Property	2	—	2	Computer, and amount of Money in Jenin.
Destruction of Property	1*	—	1	Israeli settlers destroyed windshield of a car in Qalqiliya and Israeli forces handed out 11 demolition orders in Jenin and Qalqiliya.
Land Levelling	1	1	2	Digging tunnels in Tubas and land levelling in Rafah.
Wall Construction	15	—	15	Wall construction resumed in, 3,3,1,3,1,3,1 in Jerusalem, Ramallah, Tulkarem, Qalqilia, Salfit, Bethlehem and Hebron
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem, 1 in Jerusalem & 5 Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	66	—	66	Incl.3, 3,1,4, 2, 9, 3,1 , 21 ,19 in Jerusalem, Ramallah, Jenin, Tulkarem, Qalqilia, Nablus, Salfit Jericho, Bethlehem and Hebron
Closure of Crossings	—	4	4	Allowing humanitarian cases and

				cooking gas, 21 imported cars, construction material and exporting tomatoes and peppers..
Assault on Places of Worship	1	—	1	Number of Israeli settlers protected by Israeli forces raided Aal-Aqsa Monsqur Compound.
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Israeli settlers closed roads and threw stones in Qalqiliya and raided areas in Nablus.
Demonstration	6	—	6	In solidarity with Palestinian detainees.
TOTAL	197	10	207	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<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 Ikxa 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 Ikxa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandia checkpoint. • <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. (ii) Israeli forces continue to close the entrance to the Shofat refugee camp with cement blocks, which will impede the free flow of traffic in Ras Khamis, Ras Shihadeh and Salam neighbourhood in Anata and Shofat refugee camp in Jerusalem. • <u>Raids: (Israeli forces continue to raid cities, towns, villages and refugee camps)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:30, at Al Ram town. (ii) On 21.02.2012, at Al-Issawya village, searched homes, detained one person and handed summons to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning to several residents.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks: On 20.02.2012, Israeli forces in Al-Tur neighbourhood fired tear gas towards residents under the pretext of responding to stone throwing. • Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 20.02.2012, in Silwan: Adam Al-Sayed. (ii) On 20.02.2012, in the Old City of Jerusalem, Ayyda Sedawe. (iii) On 21.02.2012, in Al-Issawya village, Kathem Abed. (iv) Detained in Issawya village: Jamil Muheisen • Physical Assault: At 22:40, Israeli forces positioned at the Qalandia checkpoint assaulted Ala Ali. He was admitted to a hospital for treatment. • Assault on Places of Worship: On 20.02.2012, a group of Israeli settlers protected by Israeli forces raided Al-Aqsa Mosque compound, and provoked the worshipers. • Wall Gates: <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. • Wall Construction: 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"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. • Raids: <i>(Israeli forces continue to raid cities, towns, villages and refugee camps)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, at Al-Bireh and detained one person. (ii) At 00:55, at Betunia town and raided a store. • Attacks: On 23:35, Israeli forces positioned at the separation wall south of Al-Bireh town opened fire towards homes in the area. • Detention: The detained in Al-Bireh is Omar Abu Rais. • Demonstration: At 12:40, activists rallied in front of the UN building in Ramallah in solidarity with Palestinian detainees. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continued 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: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the illegal settlement Dotan. • Raids: <i>(Israeli forces continue to raid cities, towns, villages and refugee camps)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:30 and again between 20:00 and 20:40 at Bartah Al-Sharqia, Israeli forces handed out 9 demolition orders of animal shelters then searched a home and confiscated a computer, camera and (150,000 ILS) about \$40,300. (ii) At 17:45, Israeli forces raided the town of Yabad, confrontation took place, one person detained. • Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, Amar Morae was detained at Bartaah checkpoint (ii) The detined in Yaabad is Assem Abu-Shamala. • Demonstration: At 11:00, activists rallied in front of the ICRC building in solidarity with Palestinian detainees. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted

	<p>special Israeli permits, which undercuts the access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall.</p>
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: At 13:50, 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. • Raids: <i>(Israeli forces continue to raid cities, towns, villages and refugee camps)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:20 and repeated at 20:40, at Tubas city. (ii) At 14:30, at Khirbet Barza, dug a tunnel and earth mounds. (iii) Between 01:20 – 02:25, at Al-Aqaba town, searched one home and summoned Thaer Abu Arra (17 years) to Israeli intelligence for questioning. • Attacks: On 18:00, Israeli forces conducted military training in an area between Tubas city and Al-Aqaba village during which they fired stun grenades and live rounds. • Detention: The detained in Al-Aqaba town is: Mohammed Abu Arra.
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. • 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. • Flying checkpoint: At 23:30, at the entrance of Deir Al-Ghussoun town, searching people and cars. • Raids: <i>(Israeli forces continue to raid cities, towns, villages and refugee camps)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Between 10:45 and 12:30, in Dahiat Al-Shweikeh in Tulkarem city. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route continued in the area surrounding Jubara village According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.
QALQILYA	<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 the town of Azzun (ii) In addition to closing the gate installed since the outbreak the second <i>Intifada</i>, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village. • Flying checkpoints: <i>(Israeli forces set up a checkpoint to search people and cars)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, 2 checkpoints at the entrance of Azzun town and Izbet Al-Tabib village. (ii) At 10:00, at the entrance of Qalqilia city, and summoned several resident to Israeli intelligence for questioning. (iii) At 10:25, at the entrance of Hija village. (iv) At 14:00, at Jinsafout village junction. (v) At 06:55, at the entrance of Kafer Qaddum village. • Raids: <i>(Israeli forces continues cities, villages, towns, refugee camps)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:15 and repeated between 03:00 and 04:15; Israeli forces handed out demolition orders against an animal shelter and agricultural structures as well as detained a recently released detainee. (ii) Between 22:30 – 24:00, at Imatin village, searched a home and summoned Mohammed Ghaneem to Israeli intelligence for questioning.

	<p>(iii) At 03:30, at Jayyous town, searched a home and detained a recently released detainee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Detention:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The detained in Qalqilia city is: Youssef Shteivi. (ii) The detained in Jayyous town is: Mahmmud Salem • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:30, a group of Israeli settlers closed the main road between Nablus and Qalqilia near ‘Kadumim settlement’ (ii) At 22:45, a group of Israeli settlers at the entrance of “Imanwael settlement”, threw stones a tPalestinian vehicles, damaging Atia Shteivi’s car. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:10, activists rallied in front of the ICRC building in solidarity with Palestinian detainees. • <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 continued in Kafr Laqef village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma’ale Shomron settlement.
NABLUS	<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 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 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 Jerzim Mount) 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. (iii) At 09:55 and again between 21:40 and 22:20, Israeli forces positioned at “Sheve Shamron” checkpoint restricted Palestinian access. (iv) Between 15:10 and 16:00, Israeli forces positioned at “Huwara” checkpoint restricted Palestinian access. • <u>Flying checkpoints:</u> <i>(Israeli forces setup a checkpoint to search people and cars)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:10 and again at 19:20, at the entrance of Beit Furik village. (ii) At 12:50, at the entrance of Burin village. (iii) At 12:50, between Madama and Assira Al-Qebliya villages. • <u>Raids:</u> <i>(Israeli forces continue to raid cities, towns, villages and refugee camps)</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:20, at Khirbet Al-Taweel, east of Aqraba town, erected camp tents for military training purposes. (ii) Between 23:35 and 23:55, at Assira Al-Shamalia village. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: Between 12:10 and 14:00, a group of Israeli settlers raided an area of Tal Al-Tabour, east of Azmout village. • army restricted Palestinian access • Demonstration: At 12:00, activists rallied in front of the ICRC building in solidarity with Palestinian detainees.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland. (iv) 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to restrict access at the Za'tara checkpoint and impeded the free flow of traffic. • Raids: <i>(Israeli forces continue to raid cities, towns, villages and refugee camps)</i> (i) Between 21:30 – 23:30, at Deir Istia town, searched one home and briefly detained Tamer Al-Qade, a policeman. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al-Oja village with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: (ii) At 14:50, Israeli forces restricted 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. (iii) 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. • Flying Checkpoints: to search people and cars) (i) At 17:55, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance of Jericho city.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: (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 <i>dunums</i> of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. • Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmed road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a villages. (ii) Since 14:30 on 10.01.2012, Israeli forces continue to close the road leading to Kharba Baqa and the road between Wadi Fukin and Jaba villages.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, at Al-Doha town. (ii) At 18:00, at Al Khadeer town. (iii) Between 22:30 – 23:55, at Taqou town. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:00, activists rallied in front of the ICRC building in solidarity with Palestinian detainees. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continued northwest of Beit Jala town.
Hebron	<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-Dhahiriya 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. (v) Since 09:40 on 10.01.2012, Israeli forces continued closing the entrance of Beit Ammra with concrete blocks. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <i>(Israeli forces setup a checkpoints to search people and cars)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, at the entrance of Ithna town. (ii) At 12:50, at the entrance of Al-Majd village. (iii) At 14:50, in the old city of Hebron. (iv) At 20:20, at the Halhul bridge. • <u>Raids:</u> <i>(Israeli forces continue to raid cities, towns, villages and refugee camps)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:50, at Shoukeh town. (ii) At 10:00, at Halhul town; Israeli forces searched homes and clashed with the residents. (iii) At 11:40, at Hebron city. (iv) At 15:30, at Al-Tabqa village; Israeli forces clashed with residents. (v) At 23:00, at Al-Samou town. (vi) At 03:40, at Beit Ummar town; Israeli forces clashed with residents when they searched homes and detained 3 minors. • <u>Detention:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 06:20, at Abu Sneina neighbourhood in the Old City of Hebron, Mai Abu Subeah. (ii) The detained minors from Beit Ummar are: Mohammed Abu Hashem (16 years), Mohab Abu Maria (16 years) and Mohammed Abu Maraia (17 years). • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:00, activists rallied in front of the ICRC building in solidarity with Palestinian detainees.

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continued in the area surrounding the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Thahiriya town. |
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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. • Attacks: Israeli forces fired artillery shells from their position at the Green Line towards Palestinian agricultural lands in Khan Younis and Rafah. Also, Israeli warships fired towards Palestinian fishing boats off the shores of Gaza.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) is open for diplomats, NGO workers, businessmen and merchants.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <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. • Attacks: On 20.02.2012, Israeli war ships fired towards Palestinian fishermen boats in the middle of the Gaza Sea.
<p style="text-align: center;">Khan Younis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks: On 20.02.2012, Israeli forces fired their artillery from their position at the Green Line towards Palestinian agricultural lands east of Khan Younis.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iii) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially opened for: (Humanitarian aid, 28 loads of animal feed, 21 imported cars, building materials for internationally-funded projects and to transport tomatoes and peppers for export) (iv) Rafah: Opened for students, patients, medical aid and passengers with permits • Raids: On 20.02.2012, in the morning, Israeli tanks raided an area near Sufa terminal and fired towards agricultural lands while levelling land in the area • Attacks: On 20.02.2012, Israeli forces fired artillery rounds from their position at the Green Line towards the site of the Arafat International Airport in Rafah.