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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 21 February 2010 – 08:00, 22 February 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	_	5	5	5 civilians in Northern Gaza district
Arrests (per person)	2	_	2	1 in Bethlehem & 1 in Hebron districts
Detentions	13	_	13	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	27	_	27	Incl. 3 on Jenin & 1 on Tubas
Checkpoints	9	_	9	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	30	_	30	Incl. 3 in Nablus & 1 in Tubas
Attacks	4	3	7	Incl. 1 by navy boats & 2 by mil. Posts
Air Attack	_	1	1	UAV fired missile on N. Gaza district
Air Patrol	_	1	1	UAV during airstrike on N. Gaza dis.
Curfew	1	_	1	Over Az Zubeidat village in Jericho dis.
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	A computer from Sa'ir town in Hebron
Destruction of Property	4	_	4	Ground collapse from digging in Jer.
Wall Construction	22	_	22	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings only
Closure of Main Roads	40	_	40	Incl. 2 in Tulkarm & 1 in Jenin
Attack on Religious Site	1	_	1	Searching a mosque in Bardala village
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. throwing stones at civilian vehicles
Demonstration	1	_	1	Against building an observation tower
TOTAL	164	15	179	

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WEST BANK

Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Agsa Mosque.
- On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order (ii) # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall.
- The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian (iii) access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa.

Closure of Main Roads:

- The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt (i) 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.
- 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.

Raids:

At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Jaba'. (i)

- At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Qatanna and (ii) searched a number of houses.
- **Destruction of Property:** In the evening of 21 February 2010, an underground collapse happened near the entrance to Khan Az Zeit Market in the old city of Jerusalem creating a hall that is 2 meters long and 1 meter deep. This was the result of cracks caused by digging a network of tunnels underneath the old city.

Wall Gates:

- The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu (i) 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 in the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, south of Beit Hanina village, and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. Raid: At 10:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the towns and villages of 'Abud and Bil'in, and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
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: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Jaba'. At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanur until 13:45. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of AL Yamun. Settler Violence: At 10:00, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones towards civilian vehicles travelling near the debris of the previously evacuated Homesh settlement. As a result, the windshield of a vehicle belonging to the civilian Thuhail Abdulhadi was destroyed. 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, east of the city of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00. Flying Checkpoint: At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Tayasir and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Bardala, s earched a house, a mosque and agricultural greenhouses and served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. Raids: At 09:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Al Ghusun. At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bal'a town until 12:00. At 00:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Lid. 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jinsafut. At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the village of Kafr Laqif (on Qalqiliya – Nablus main road) and searched civilians and vehicles. At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Hajja and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel (the southern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya) and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to Qalqiliya city. At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village of An Nabi Elias. At 07:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles. Wall Gates: 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: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab'a and Wadi Ar Rasha that are located south of the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Duma, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrances to the town of Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement. The Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village, opposite Shavi Shomron settlement. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the road connecting the town of Aqraba to the village of Osarin. Checkpoints: 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: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iraq Burin. At 10:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Burin and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:30. At 12:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya. Raids: At 02:00 on 21 February 2010, the Israeli army raided the village of Burin and searched 2 houses. At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabalan. At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Iraq Burin, searched a number of houses and took on papers of unknown contents the fingerprints of 5 civilians.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: 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 and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. Flying Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:00. Raid: At 22:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Kifl Hares, set up a number of checkpoints in the middle of the town and at its southern entrance to protect a group of Israeli settlers visiting a shrine and withdrew at 04:30. 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 Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. 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 possessing permits. Raids: At 06:45 on 21 February 2010, the Israeli army raided the village of Az Zubeidat, set up 2 flying checkpoints at its northern and

- southern entrances, prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village, searched a number of houses, imposed curfew on the area and withdrew at 12:00.
- At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of (ii) Al Auja.
- **Destruction of Property:** At 10:30, the Israeli army removed 2 venders' kiosks erected near Road # 90 near the village of Marj Na'ja belonging to the civilians Nadeem Ribhi Muhammad Abu Jaber and Wael Mahmoud Abdulrahman Ash Sheikh Khalil.
- **Settler Violence:** At 18:00, a group of extremist Israeli settlers entered the Jewish synagogue Na'ran that is located north of Jericho city without prior coordination.

Closure:

- The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of (i) An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village.
- The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that (ii) is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.
- 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.
- Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles until 08:40.
- Raid: At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Taqu'a, searched 3 houses and arrested a civilian.
- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Taqu'a the civilian Emad Kamil Za'al Jibrin.
- **Demonstration**: At 10:30, a mass demonstration took place with the participation of international peace activists on the debris of the previously evacuated military camp of Osh Grab that is located east of Beit Sahur city and performed prayer on its ruins. This was in protest at settlement activities and the building of a military observation tower in the area. Consequently, the Israeli army raided the area, fired stun grenades and tear gas bombs towards participants in the demonstration. As a result, a number of civilians suffered suffocation as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army withdrew at 12:00.
- 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.

BETHLEHEM

• 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 (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the area located near the Green Line, south of Yatta town, evacuating the area of those inside it and denying them access to it.

• 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 traveling 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.
- (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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Kahil. Again at 18:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 13:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:15.
- (iii) At 14:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of At Tabaqa and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vi) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Ash Shalala Road in the old city of Hebron.
- (vii) At 18:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Zif and searched civilians and vehicles.

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- (viii) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Arrub refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ix) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Bani Na'im town and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 14:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. Again at 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Ula.
- (iii) At 16:40, the Israeli army raided the area of Hanina in Dura town and searched a number of shops for repairing vehicles.
- (iv) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and patrolled the area until 20:15.
- (v) At 18:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir, searched a house, confiscated a computer and arrested a university student.
- (vi) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Ar Rihiya where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area.
- (vii) At 19:50, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa' where confrontations took place with civilians while searching 2 commercial shops.
- <u>Attack</u>: At 02:25, the Israeli army fired stun grenades while patrolling the area of Az Zahid in the old city of Hebron.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Sa'ir the civilian Amjad Mahmoud Salem Ash Shalaldeh.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.
- The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by opening fire intensively and firing 6 artillery shells from its locations on the Green Line injuring 5 civilians. Israeli UAV also fired a missile targeting armed Palestinian individuals in the area of As-Sudaniya. In addition, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards fishing boats at sea opposite As Sudaniya area beach in the district of Northern Gaza.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. Attacks: At 11:00, the Israeli army opened fire intensively and fired 6 artillery shells from its locations on the Green Line towards the area of Abu Samra northwest of Beit Lahiya town injuring 5 civilians. In the evening of 20 February 2010, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite As Sudaniya area beach west of Beit Lahiya town. Air Attack: In the evening of 21 February 2010, Israeli UAV fired a missile targeting armed Palestinian individuals in the area of As Sudaniya west of Beit Lahiya town.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (i) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food, humanitarian assistance, a quantity of industrial diesel for the power plant, cooking gas, and for the export of 3 shipments of flower.