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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 23 February 2011 – 08:00, 24 February 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Killing	—	1	1	An armed Palestinian in Gaza district
Injuries	—	15	15	13 in Gaza & 2 in Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	9	—	9	Incl. 2 in Salfit & 2 in Jericho
Detentions	12	—	12	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	25	1	26	Incl. 4 in Hebron & 1 in Gaza
Checkpoints	9	—	9	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	21	—	21	Incl. 3 in Hebron & 3 in Jericho
Attacks	3	5	8	Incl. the firing of tank shells
Air Attacks	—	5	5	Warplanes firing missiles on Gaza
Air Patrols	—	5	5	Helicopters; Recon; F-16s; & UAVs
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Detain a police vehicle at Al Container
Attack on Property	*	—	—	Notice to evacuate tents & shacks
Land Leveling	—	1	1	Area of land in Gaza district
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	50	—	50	Incl. 17 in Hebron & 7 in Bethlehem
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Partial opening of 3 crossings
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. hurling stones at civilian vehicles
Palestinian Attacks	—	4	4	Firing 10 mortars towards the Green Line
TOTAL	152	41	193	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Ikse. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Ikse, which leads to the city of Jerusalem, by an iron gate, and allows civilians access to occupied Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint only. • Checkpoints: 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. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) In the evening of 23 February 2011, the Israeli army closed Shu'fat checkpoint in Jerusalem city and prevented civilian access after firing tear gas bombs towards civilians in the periphery of the checkpoint under the pretext of throwing stones. • Attack: In the evening of 23 February 2011, the Israeli army in Silwan neighborhood in occupied Jerusalem city fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas bombs towards civilians. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bir Zeit. (ii) At 05:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Rantis and arrested a civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Rantis the civilian Shehadeh Muhammad Hamdan. • Settler Violence: In the morning of 23 February 2011, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of 'Ateret hurled stones towards civilian vehicles travelling near the village of Um Safa. • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Zububa. An Israeli Intelligence officer questioned a number of civilians about the economic conditions and offered some of them entry permits to Israel in return for recruiting them to cooperate with him. The Israeli army withdrew at 13:00. (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Zabda until 24:00. (iii) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided Jenin refugee camp, searched a number of houses and arrested 3 civilians. (iv) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabatiya until 03:00. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested in Jenin refugee camp the civilians: Mujahed Marwan Mahmoud As-Sous; 'Adwan Mahmoud Ya'koub; and Qasem Jawad Taleb. • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Bardala and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the area of Al Buqai'a, located east of Tammun town, and served a notice to evacuate 3 tents used as houses and 2 shacks used as folds for raising sheep belonging to the family of the civilian Hasan Abdallah Bani Odeh. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Far'a.
TULKAREM	<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 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 Ramin village (off Tulkarm – Nablus main road). • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road and impede civilian access. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Lid, set up a checkpoint in the middle of the town, patrolled the area and withdrew at 12:30. (ii) At 17:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the neighborhood of Shuweika in the city of Tulkarm. (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Anabta, searched 4 houses and served summon to the civilian Jawad Tawfiq Hamdallah to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (iv) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit. Again at 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the village of Azzun Atma. (iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Immatin and Sanniriya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun and searched a number of houses.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Azzun Atma and searched a house. (iii) At 19:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Izbat At-Tabib. (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus and took photographs for a number of houses while patrolling the area. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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	<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 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash-Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:15. (ii) At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Sarra (on Nablus – Qalqiliya main road). Again at 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Salim and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) At 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 20:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan Road (the eastern entrance to Nablus city) and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Iba and patrolled the area until 20:10. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 08:50, the Israeli army arrested the civilian Hussein Rushdi Shtayyeh from the village of Salim while grazing sheep near the settlement of Alon Moreh.
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 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the village of Marda and arrested a civilian. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Hares until 03:00. (ii) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Bidhya, searched 2 houses, arrested a civilian and withdrew at 03:20. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Ad Dik town. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested near the entrance to the village of Marda the civilian Ramzi Abdulsalam Ibdah. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Bidhya the civilian Bilal Abdulsalam Salem Salameh. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area north of the town of Deir Istiya (southeast of the settlement of 'Amanu'el).
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho. Again at 16:10 and at 22:25, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 16:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Marj Al Ghazal and arrested 2 civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested in the village of Marj Al Ghazal the civilians Mujahed Ibrahim Abu Jarar and Sayel Ahmad Abu Jarar.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 <i>dunum</i> 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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Attack:</u> At 14:35, the Israeli army in the periphery of Bilal Ibn Rabah Mosque (Al Qubba), north of Bethlehem city, fired stun grenades towards a number of children under the pretext of throwing stones. • <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 09:45, the Israeli army detained a civil police vehicle at Al Container checkpoint and allowed it to pass at 10:20 following DCO intervention. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 fruit and vegetable market) 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.
- (v) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades detour roads in Al 'Arqan area along the Adh Dhahiriya-As Samoa' main road, as well as detour roads near Beit 'Amra and Wadi ash Shajina villages.

- **Flying Checkpoints:**

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Yatta and As-Samoa' and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 19:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Sa'ir and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 23:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Karma and searched civilians and vehicles.

- **Raids:**

- (i) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta. Again at 23:40, the Israeli army raided the area and searched 2 houses.
- (ii) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Raq'a that is located east of Yatta town.
- (iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.

- **Settler Violence:** At 10:30, a group of Israeli settlers in the neighborhood of Tal Ar-Rumeida in the old city of Hebron entered a plot of land belonging to the civilian woman Firyal Abu Heikal.

- **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

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 raiding Palestinian territory, opening fire and firing a number of tank shells in Gaza district. In addition to opening fire and firing a number of tank shells from its locations on the Green Line in the districts of Northern Gaza and Gaza. Also by air raids firing a number of missiles (in 5 consecutive raids) in the districts of Gaza, Central Gaza and Khan Yunis. As a result of opening fire and the airstrikes, an armed Palestinian individual was killed and 15 civilians were injured, including 3 children and 6 armed individuals, including one who sustained serious injuries. • Armed Palestinian groups violated the ceasefire by firing 10 mortars, including 2 Grad-type rockets, 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) 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. • Attack: In the morning of 23 February 2011, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations on the Green Line towards a number of civilian workers north of Beit Lahiya town injuring 2 workers.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: • Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially open for the entry of 29 truckloads of wheat and 13 truckloads of fodder. • Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. • Raid: At 08:00 on 23 February 2011, the Israeli army, including a number of tanks, armored vehicles and 4 bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided Palestinian territory east of Az-Zeitun neighborhood, located southeast of Gaza city, and opened fire intensively and fired a number of tank shells towards civilian agricultural land and houses while leveling an area of land. The Israeli army also clashed with armed Palestinian individuals killing one of them after injuring him seriously, in addition to injuring 11 civilians, including 3 children and 4 armed individuals, including one seriously. • Attack: In the evening of 23 February 2011, the Israeli army fired a number of tank shells from its locations on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Gaza city.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:00, an Israeli UAV fired a missile targeting armed Palestinian individuals east of Az-Zeitun neighborhood, located southeast of Gaza city, injuring two of them. (ii) In the evening of 23 February 2011, Israeli helicopter gunships fired 3 missiles (in 2 consecutive raids) targeting 2 locations belonging to armed Palestinian groups south of Gaza city. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed east of Az-Zeitun neighborhood, located southeast of Gaza city, Adel Muhammad Jindiyeh. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:15, 3 mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 22:00, 3 mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (iii) At 22:10, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attack:</u> In the evening of 23 February 2011, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired a missile targeting the area east of An-Nuseirat refugee camp.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attack:</u> In the evening of 23 February 2011, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired a missile targeting an empty area in As-Satr Al Gharbi area in Khan Yunis city. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> In the evening of 23 February 2011, 2 Grad-type rockets were fired towards the Green Line.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open for the departure of 313 civilians, patients, students and visa holders, and for the entry of civilians and 66 civilians and patients who received treatment at Egyptian hospitals. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the entry of food, humanitarian assistance, cooking gas, 12 truckloads of construction steel for the benefit of internationally funded projects and a truckload of construction steel for the benefit of PalTel.