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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 02 January 2010 – 08:00, 03 January 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Arrest (per person)	1	—	1	A civilian at a flying checkpoint in Nablus
Detentions	19	—	19	Incl. 5 civilian women abused verbally
Raids	19	1	20	Incl. 5 in Hebron & 4 in Tulkarm
Checkpoints	10	—	10	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	37	—	37	Incl. 10 in Nablus & 6 in Qalqiliya
Attacks	3	1	4	3 in confrontations & 1 in a raid
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Position troops near Custom Police
House Occupation	1	—	1	Roof of building converted into post
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Road collapses from digging tunnels
Wall Construction	—	—	—	Suspended for the weekend
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	38	—	38	Incl. 3 in Salfit & 3 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Only Rafah open on exceptional basis
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. level land to seize it in Salfit district
Demonstration	1	—	1	Against settler violence & to allow farming
TOTAL	141	8	149	

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 city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque. (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 between the villages of Biddu and Beit Ikka. • 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. • 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. • Destruction of Property: At 18:00, a main street collapsed of Wadi Hilwa near a kindergarten and a mosque in the neighborhood of Silwan in the city of Jerusalem causing a hole that is 2 meters long, 1 meter wide and 1.5 meter deep as a result of Israeli army digging a network of tunnels underneath the neighborhood. • 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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to the town of Atara and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<p>(ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Silwad and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 00:25, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh and served summon to the civilian Rami Mustafa Abu Jalaleh to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the town of 'Abud and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
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. • 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, east of the city of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh and the road connecting the town of Kafr Al Labad to the village of Shofeh. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. At 18:00, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint and prevented civilian access. The Israeli army re-opened the checkpoint at 21:00. • Flying Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Jubara road that connects the districts of Tulkarm and Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:15, the Israeli army raided Shuweika neighborhood in Tulkarm city where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area. The Israeli army detained a child under the pretext of throwing stones and released him at a later time following DCO intervention. (ii) At 19:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita. (iii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Illar. (iv) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarm. • Detention: At 09:10, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall section near the town of Zeita detained 2 children for allegedly throwing stones and released them at 18:30 following DCO intervention. • Settler Violence: At 15:05, a group of settlers from the settlement of Einav stoned civilian vehicles travelling on the main road near the junction leading to the settlement. • 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.

<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<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 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jinsafut. (iii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Al Funduq and Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Izbat At Tabib. (v) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya. (vi) At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus and took photographs for a house near the Wall belonging to the civilian Yousef Fihmi Khreisheh. (ii) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun and searched a house. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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, located south of Qalqiliya city.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village, opposite Shavi 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.

	<p>(ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00.</p> <p>(iii) At 18:45, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint and prevented civilian access in both directions under the pretext that a number of Israeli settlers are gathering near the checkpoint. The Israeli army reopened the checkpoint at a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Rujeib and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan.</p> <p>(iv) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya.</p> <p>(v) At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf (on Nablus – Tulkarm main road) and impeded civilian access.</p> <p>(vi) At 14:20, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on Jerusalem road (the southern entrance to Nablus city) and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(vii) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of As Sawiya and arrested a civilian.</p> <p>(viii) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the junction leading to the settlement of Yitzhar and on the junction leading to the town of Beita and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ix) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of Shavi Shomron.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested near the village of As-Sawiya the civilian Abdurraheem Abduldayem Mikhder. • <u>Detention:</u> At 16:45, the Israeli army detained the civilian Khaled Abdulrahman Asidah while working on his land that belongs to the village of Till and located near the bypass road and released him at a later time. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 15:30, a group of Israeli settlers near Huwwara checkpoint stoned civilian vehicles travelling on Nablus – Ramallah main road.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 14:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kifl Hares and the village of Hares.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 17:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Az Zawiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Mas-ha and searched a number of commercial shops. (ii) At 13:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Biddya. (iii) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bruqin. • <u>Detention:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army at Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested the civilian Bilal Khadr Salem Bani Odeh and released him at a later time. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> On 02 January 2010, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yakir carried out leveling work in the area of Nab'at An Nuwaitef located north of Qarawat Bani Hassan town in an attempt to seize it. Confrontations took place with civilians while attempting to confront the attack. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</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 possessing permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Fasayil and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho. (iii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the Dead Sea and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arrajat road and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 18:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Fasayil village.
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) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 08:05, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, 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. (ii) At 14:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Tuqu’a and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 23:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Ush Grab that is located east of Beit Sahur city and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tuqu’a. (ii) At 17:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Fureidis and searched a house. (iii) At 23:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Artas and patrolled the area. • <u>Detentions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:45, the Israeli army at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint detained 5 civilian women under the pretext of holding Gaza Strip IDs although they had access permits in their possession. Israeli army soldiers abused them verbally and released them at 19:30 following DCO intervention. (ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint detained 2 Palestinian National Security officers under the pretext of holding Gaza Strip IDs. The Israeli army released them at a later time following DCO intervention. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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 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 08:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iii) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the overpasses of Halhul and Beit Kahil towns.
 - (iv) At 13:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Tarqumiya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - **Raids:**
 - (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, occupied the roof of a building in the area of Bab Az Zawiya and converted it into a military post and set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Ras Al Jora. Again at 00:20, the Israeli army raided the area and positioned troops near the headquarters of the Custom Police. The Israeli army withdrew at 00:45.
 - (ii) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta.
 - (iii) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Sa'ir and Dura.
 - **Demonstration:** At 10:45, with the participation of Israeli peace activists, a sit in demonstration took place on agricultural land belonging to civilians from the village of Khirbet Safa, located near the settlement of Bat 'Ayin. The demonstration was against settler attacks and to enable civilians to farm their land. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and opened fire and fired tear gas bombs towards demonstrators to prevent them from planting trees on civilian land.
 - **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<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 and opening fire intensively in Khan Yunis district.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raid: In the morning of 02 January 2010, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles and bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory east of Khuza'a town and opened fire intensively towards agricultural land and civilian houses.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open on exceptional basis for the departure of 86 international activists going back to their countries. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.