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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 04 January 2010 – 08:00, 05 January 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Arrests (per person)	11	_	11	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 2 in Jenin
Detentions	15	_	15	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	24	2	26	Incl. 1 in Ramallah & 1 in Jenin
Checkpoints	8	_	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	24	_	24	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 3 in Ramallah
Attacks	3	4	7	Incl. 1 from military posts & 1 navy
Air Attacks	_	2	2	UAV fired missiles at armed individuals
Air Patrols	_	4	4	Incl. 2 UAVs during air attacks
School Obstruction	1	_	1	School roof converted into military post
Destruction of Property	_	2	2	Level plants in N. Gaza & Khan Yunis
Land Leveling	_	2	2	Agriculture land in N. Gaza & K. Yunis
Wall Construction	21	_	21	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	37	_	37	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 2 in Jerusalem
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	Partial opening of 4 crossings
Palestinian Attacks	_	2	2	2 mortars fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	151	21	172	

DISTRICT EVENTS	
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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.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and searched (i)
- (ii) At dawn on 05 January 2010, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Duggu, searched a number of houses and arrested 2 civilians.
- Attack: At 21:05, the Israeli army at Qalandiya checkpoint opened fire towards a number of civilians under the pretext of throwing stones.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Beit Duggu the civilians Rami Marar and Hasan Bader.

Wall Gates:

- The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of (i) 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 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.

JERUSALEM

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. Flying Checkpoints: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to the town of Atara and impeded civilian access. Again at 15:15, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint and impeded civilian access. At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the side road leading to Qalandiya checkpoint. Raid: At 07:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bir Zeit and searched a number of houses. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud 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. Raid: At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Barta'a and arrested a school pupil. Arrests: At 01:45 on 04 January 2010, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on the city of Jenin, in addition to what has been mentioned in the previous report, the civilian Kifah Mahmoud Al Hantouli. The Israeli army arrested in the village of Barta'a the civilian Muhammad Akram Harsheh. 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	<u>Checkpoint</u> : 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	 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. At 12:30, the Israeli army erected an iron gate at the southern entrance 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Kafr Sur and Kafr Zeibad and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 05:00 on 04 January 2010, the Israeli army raided the village of Ramin, searched a number of houses and served summons to 6 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.

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	 (ii) At 09:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Zeita and patrolled the area. (iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Illar, searched a number of houses and shops selling vehicle spare parts and withdrew at 05:00. • 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and impeded civilian access. At 17:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Azzun and Kafr Thulth. At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Beit Amin and Azzun Atma. At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Jayyus and the village of Kafr Jamal. At 00:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel (the southern entrance to Qalqiliya city) and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 09:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr Qaddum. At 16:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Azzun until 18:00. Mal 16:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafr Thulth until 18:00. 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, located south of Qalqiliya city.
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.

• Checkpoints:

- (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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the settlement of Yitzhar.
- (ii) At 19:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya.
- (iii) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Yasuf.

• Raids:

- (i) At 20:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Yatma where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area.
- (ii) At 22:20, the Israeli army raided Nablus city to protect a group of Israeli settlers visiting Yousef (Joseph) tomb. The Israeli army stormed a school overlooking the tomb and converted the roof of the school into a military post. The Israeli army withdrew at 06:00.

• <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.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kifl Hares and the village of Hares.

• Raids:

- (i) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided Salfit city, searched a house and served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided Farkha village and searched a house.
- (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Biddya town and arrested a civilian.

• Arrests:

- (i) At 15:55, the Israeli army arrested at the Za'tara junction checkpoint the civilians: Ahmad Faruq J'arah; Sameh Muhammad Said Naseef; and Bashar Khaled Al Masri.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Biddya the civilian Abdulhakeem Ahmad Al Atrash.
- 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.

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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. Detention: At 16:20, the Israeli army detained at the checkpoint set up in the area of Al Alami Project (the road leading to Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge), located east of Jericho city, the journalist Fathi Hasan Ali Khdeirat while taking photographs. The Israeli army released him at a later time following DCO intervention.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: 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. The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that 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 and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. Flying Checkpoint: At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem). Again at 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. Arrest: At 07:00 on 04 January 2010, the Israeli army arrested at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint the civilian Mazen Awad Al Batran. 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.
HEBRON	• 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 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 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.
- (iv) At 10:30, the Israeli army re-opened Al Hawawer Road (the northern entrance to the town of Halhul).

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Arrub Technical College that is located near Al Arrub refugee camp, and detained 15 students and released them at a later time.
- (ii) At 14:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bani Na'im and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Al Fahs, south of Hebron city, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Kharsa and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. Again at 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area.
- (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (iv) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided Yatta town and searched a house.
- (v) At 01:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Halhul.
- (vi) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Idhna and Beit Awwa.
- (vii) At 07:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tarqumiya, set up a flying checkpoint in the middle of the town and patrolled the area.
- Arrests: At 12:00, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the old city of Hebron. They are Iyad Abu Farah and Ahed Hamdan.

• <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 raiding Palestinian territory, opening fire intensively in Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis districts and launching missile airstrikes from UAVs against armed Palestinian individuals in the districts of Northern Gaza and Gaza. Israeli navy boats also opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Gaza city beach.
- Armed Palestinian groups breached the ceasefire by firing 2 mortars towards the Green Line (including a mortar that fell on Palestinian territory).

NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
- Raid: At 13:00, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles and a bulldozer, covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided Palestinian territory north of Beit Lahiya town, opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses and leveled areas of agricultural land.
- <u>Air Attack</u>: At 17:50, Israeli UAVs fired a missile against 2 armed Palestinian individuals driving motorbikes in Salah Ad Deen Street, east of Jabalya town.

• Palestinian Attacks:

- (i) At 15:50, armed Palestinian individuals fired anti-tank mortar towards the Israeli army near the Green Line, north of Beit Hanun town. Consequently, the Israeli army opened fire intensively towards Palestinian territory.
- (ii) In the evening of 04 January 2010, a mortar was fired towards the Green Line that fell on Palestinian territory north of Beit Lahiya town.

GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially open for the transport of wheat and fodder. Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. (On 04 January 2010, the Israeli army announced closing the crossing permanently. The crossing was used for fuel transport.) Attack: In the evening of 04 January 2010, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Gaza city beach. Air Attack: In the evening of 04 January 2010, Israeli UAVs fired a missile against armed Palestinian individuals east of Al-Shuja'iya neighborhood that is located east of Gaza city. 	
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.	
KHAN YOUNIS	• Raid: In the morning of 05 January 2010, the Israeli army, including a number of tanks, armored vehicles and 4 bulldozers, covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided 150 meters deep into Palestinian territory east of Al Farahin area that is located east of Khan Yunis city, opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses and leveled areas of agricultural land.	
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open on exceptional basis for the departure of 937 civilians, including patients transferred for medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals, students, holders of foreign visas and residence permits, and for the entry of 166 civilians stranded on the Egyptian side. In addition to the entry of 6 trucks of dialysis medicine donated by the Egyptian Ministry of Health. 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 electricity plant, cooking gas and for the export of 2 trucks of strawberry. 	