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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 07 January 2011 – 08:00 08 January 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	7	—	7	Incl. Palestinian security officer beaten
Injuries	5	—	5	Incl. a female civilian in Ramallah
Attacks	6	5	11	Incl. 1 from a post and 1 by helicopters
Raids	14	1	15	Incl. 5 in Hebron and 1 in Central Gaza
Air Patrols	—	2	2	Over the Central Gaza district
Arrests (per person)	4	—	4	Incl. 2 children and 1 security officer
Detentions	14	—	14	Incl. 3 children
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Around 100 olive seedlings uprooted
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	21	—	21	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 3 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & 2 in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	43	—	43	Incl. 3 in Salfit and 4 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Beit Hanun Crossing partially open
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. civilians provoked at a checkpoint
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	6 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	4	—	4	Incl. against land confiscation and Wall
TOTAL	152	16	168	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 07 January 2011, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city, set up many flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians from other West Bank districts to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of the “demarcation area” along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city. Access would be restricted to residents of the area as well as to civilians holding permits through crossings and gates defined in the military order. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Ikksa villages. • 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 from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Ikksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • Checkpoint: The Israeli authorities continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • Attack: At 24:00, Israeli troops opened indiscriminate fire and fired tear gas grenades on civilians in Bir Ayyub area in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city, allegedly for throwing stones at an Israeli military surveillance point. • 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 Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As 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 continues in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za’ayyem village; and in Wadi al ‘Eizariya west of Ma’ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and ‘Ein Samiya villages.

	<p>(ii) Although it removed the dirt barricade, the Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to An Nabi Salih village.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries/Physical Assault/Detention:</u> <p>(i) At 11:30, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in An Nabi Salih village in protest against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for expansion of Halamish settlement. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which Israeli troops injured two civilians, including a woman. A number of civilians also sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. In addition, Israeli troops severely beat Elyas Mohammed Mahmoud Sarhan, leaving him with contusions. Israeli troops also severely beat and arrested a Palestinian National Security officer.</p> <p>(ii) At 13:25, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in Bil'in village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured three civilians. A number of participants were also wounded as a result of tear gas inhalation.</p> <p>(iii) At 14:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Ni'lin town in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of participants sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops arrested 'Uday Abdul Hafeeth Mahmoud at Tamimi, a Palestinian National Security officer, in An Nabi Salih village. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of Dotan settlement. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 09:20, and again at 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Rummana village and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 17:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Zububa and Ti'innik villages and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas. • <u>Raid:</u> At 15:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bardala village.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoints: At 10:50, and again at 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 23:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Sur village. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to 'Izbat at Tabib village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Jinsafut village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:20, the Israeli army raided Al Muntar area in 'Azzun town, detained three children, and released them at a later time. Of these, Israeli troops served a summons on 17-year-old 'Uday Hasan Saleem to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided Jayyus town and patrolled the area until 20:00. (iii) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled until 23:15 'Azzun town. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. (ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron 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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif 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"> • Closure of Main Roads: <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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 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 for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Shavei Shomron settlement on the Nablus-Jenin main road and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:15. (ii) At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Furik town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qabalan town and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:00. (iv) At 20:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qusin village and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:40. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:40, the Israeli army raided and combed until 14:35 the mountainous area west of 'Asira ash Shamaliya town. (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Aqraba town. (iii) At 06:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asira ash Shamaliya town. • Arrest: At 20:45, Israeli troops arrested Mohammed Khalil Salih Hashash, a resident of Balata refugee camp, while he was present inside the Green Line. • Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: At 10:40, a group of Israeli settlers uprooted approximately 100 olive seedlings on a piece of land belonging to Abdul Razeq Dawoud Abdullah 'Odeh in Al Basala area south of Qusra village.
SALFIT	<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 barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. (iii) The Israeli army continues to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 09:00, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to Wadi ash Sha'er south of Salfit city and made a tour around the area until 09:55.
<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Marj Na'ja village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilian vehicles. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 15:30, a group of Israeli settlers provoked civilians, while they were crossing Al 'Auja checkpoint, and withdrew at 15:50.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<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) According to Military Order # S/02/07, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order T/31/07. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village. • <u>Checkpoint/Physical Assaults:</u> At 21:00, Israeli troops intensified restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. Israeli troops also beat a number of civilians, while they were crossing the checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 20:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Um Rukba area in Al Khadr town.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Ma'sara village in protest against Wall construction. Having intercepted the demonstration, Israeli troops fired tear gas grenades and beat protestors with batons and rifle butts, leaving two civilians with contusions. A number of participants also sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. 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 iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S on the closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani village. (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 the road between Al Karmil and At Tuwani villages; all roads leading to Road # 60; and the road connecting Surif town to Al Jab'a village. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 17:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to At Tabaqa town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles at the northern entrance to Hebron city (along Road # 35 near the overpass to Halhul town). • <u>Raids/Detentions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army raided As Samoa' town and patrolled the area until 10:40. (ii) At 10:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city. At 20:10, the Israeli army raided the city again and detained a number of civilians, allegedly for throwing stones. The Israeli army released all detained civilians at a later time.

	<p>(iii) At 12:10, the Israeli army raided Al ‘Arrub refugee camp. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 13:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the refugee camp.</p> <p>(iv) At 22:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Adh Dhahiriya town.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: (i) At 08:00, Israeli troops arrested 15-year-old Yasser Dawoud as Salaymeh near the Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron. (ii) At 18:00, Israeli troops arrested 17-year-old Fakhri Hasan as Salaymeh in the old city of Hebron, ostensibly for locating a knife in his possession. • Settler Violence: At 15:40, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to a piece of land belonging to Abu Heikal family in Tal Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya 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 the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire continues to hold. • Violations of the Ceasefire: (i) In addition to raiding Palestinian territory, Israeli armoured vehicles and combat helicopters fired artillery shells and opened fire on civilian houses and property in the Central Gaza district. Israeli navy boats also opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Northern Gaza district’s beach. (ii) Armed Palestinian individuals opened fire and fired six mortars towards the Green Line.
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<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank. • Attack: In the evening of 07 January 2011, Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town.
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GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid/Air Patrol/Attack: In the evening of 07 January 2011, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of Al Maghazi refugee camp, after an armed confrontation had taken place with armed Palestinian individuals. In addition to artillery shells fired by armoured vehicles, Israeli troops and combat helicopters opened intensive fire on agricultural land and civilian houses. • Palestinian Attacks: In the evening of 07 January 2011, six mortar rounds were fired towards the Green Line.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was closed on Friday. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.