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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 15 January 2010 – 08:00 16 January 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	7	—	7	Protestors beaten, incl. in Jerusalem
Injuries	6	—	6	6 civilians in demonstrations, Ramallah
Attacks	5	3	8	Incl. 2 in raids and 3 from mil. posts
Raids	12	—	12	Incl. 3 in Tulkarem and 2 in Qalqiliya
Air Patrol	—	1	1	F16 combat aircraft over Khan Yunis
Arrests (per person)	6	—	6	Incl. a Palestinian Police officer
Detentions	17	—	17	Incl. 3 female civilians & several activists
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a military post, Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	12	—	12	Incl. access impeded at 9 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 3 in Salfit
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem and 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	38	—	38	Incl. 8 in Nablus and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Only Rafah Crossing partially open
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. a vehicle run over in Bethlehem
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	1 mortar fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	5	—	5	Incl. against settlement activity & Wall
TOTAL	157	11	168	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 15 January 2010, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the mosque. (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction). (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. • 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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. • Demonstration/Physical Assaults/Injuries/Detentions: In the evening of 15 January 2010, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the Ash Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood in the city of Jerusalem in protest against Israeli settlement projects as well as against Israeli settlers' seizure of civilian houses. Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration and severely beat participants with clubs and rifle butts, leaving a number of protestors with contusions. Israeli troops also detained 13 participants, including peace activists. • 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 Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As 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 in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya. • Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries/Detentions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians. Israeli troops also severely beat a participant with clubs and rifle butts, leaving him with a broken leg and contusions. In addition, a number of participants were wounded as a result of tear gas inhalation. (ii) At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the town of Ni'lin against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. (iii) At 13:35, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Deir Nidham in protest against land confiscation for expansion of the settlement of Halamish. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 4 civilians. A number of participants were also injured as a result of tear gas inhalation. Furthermore, the Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 4 others, including 3 female civilians. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Samir at Tamimi in the village of Deir Nidham. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarba and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:50. • Arrest: At 22:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Al Jalama checkpoint arrested Maher As'ad Salah. • 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.

TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: 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 town of Tubas.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:40, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Irtah in the city of Tulkarem, searched 2 houses, and served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qaffin. (iii) At 24:00, 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.
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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detention: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya. (ii) At 11:50, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and searched a number of houses. The Israeli army also detained a child and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • Wall Gate: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfei Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol 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 southern entrance to the village of Duma; and the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to the village of An Naqura opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron.

	<p>(iii) Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. (iii) At 10:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints around the city of Nablus and impeded civilian access until 17:45. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:0, and again at 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:10, 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Beit Dajan. (ii) At 13:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya.
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 the city of Salfit. (ii) The Israeli army 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 and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kifl Haris and the village of Haris and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 23:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kifl Haris. (ii) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Bruqin, opened indiscriminate fire, fired flares, and arrested 1 civilian.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ali Fu'ad Mohammed Abdullah in the town of Bruqin. • 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 Haris north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Fasayil and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles. • Detentions: At 13:50, the Israeli army detained 5 civilians near the checkpoint set up in the area of the Al 'Alami Project on the road to the Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge east of the city of Jericho. Having released 3 civilians, the Israeli army arrested the other two. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians near the checkpoint set up in the area of the Al 'Alami Project on the road to the Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge east of the city of Jericho: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sa'id Farah Hussein Roumanin; and (ii) Hasan Fahed Bani 'Odeh.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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 # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad as well as a road east of the town of Beit Fajar.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 18:05, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of An Nashash (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 00:50, Israeli troops positioned at the As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) arrested Ayman Na’im al Qawasmeh, a Palestinian Police officer. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the evacuated military post of ‘Ush Ghurab east of the city of Beit Sahur and withdrew at 14:20. (ii) At 13:05, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over Ala’ Abdul Rahim al ‘Aridi near the village of Husan, leaving him with contusion. Al ‘Aridi was transported to hospital for medical treatment. • <u>Demonstration/Physical Assaults:</u> At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Ma’sara against Wall construction. Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration and severely beat participants with clubs and rifle butts. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ifrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.
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: Ash Shuhada’ Street and the area of As 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 As 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) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S for 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 with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa’; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab’a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al ‘Arrub refugee camp, the area of Al Hawawir, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Road # 60. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al ‘Arrub refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:55. • <u>Raids/House Occupation:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:45, the Israeli army raided Al ‘Arrub refugee camp, occupied the roof of a civilian house, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also patrolled the area and withdrew at 13:20. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 11:15, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Negohot gathered at the entrance to the town of Beit ‘Awwa, assaulted a number of civilians, and withdrew at 13:15. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of ‘Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.
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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. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. • <u>Violations of the Ceasefire:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army opened intensive fire as well as fired artillery and tank shells towards civilian houses and property in the districts of Northern Gaza and Central Gaza. (ii) Armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 mortar towards the Green Line.
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<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing closed. • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 15 January 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired a number of artillery shells from its location on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory northeast of the town of Beit Hanun. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 20:35, 1 mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
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GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. On 04 January 2010, the Israeli authorities made a unilateral decision on the final closure of the Crossing, which had been allocated for transportation of fuel.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 15 January 2010, the Israeli army fired 2 tank shells from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land east of Al Maghazi refugee camp.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Patrol:</u> In the morning of 16 January 2010, Israeli F16 combat aircraft patrolled the skies and carried out diversionary air raids over the city of Khan Yuni.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow access to a European parliamentary delegation, including 55 members. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.