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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 17 January 2004 – 08:00 18 January 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	—	2	Incl. 1 critically injured
Attacks	8	5	13	
Raids	24	2	26	
Air Patrol	1	—	1	
Arrests (per person)	15	—	15	Incl. 15 yr. old & college stud.
Detentions	3	—	3	10s of civilians at checkpoints
House Demolitions	—	1	1	
Separation Wall Const.	3	—	3	Jerusalem, Jenin & Ramallah
Destruction of Property	3	1	4	Incl. killing 250 sheep, Heb.
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	500 <i>dunums</i>
Curfew	1	—	1	
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	7	—	7	
Closures (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. isolation of Qalqilya
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	—	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	1 partially open to workers
School Disruption	2	—	2	Jenin and Nablus
Religious Sites	1	1	2	
TOTAL	79	13	92	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to residents from other districts. The Israeli authorities intensified restrictions on movement inside the city, closed all checkpoints, and detained dozens of civilians in the eastern part of the city. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road connecting northern villages in the Jerusalem district. • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the separation wall in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis and Al Sawahira was resumed.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to seal off the villages of Kafr Ni'ma, Rad Karkar, Deir Ammar, and Al Janiya, west of Ramallah city, with dirt mounds. The Israeli army prevented civilians from using alternative dirt roads to reach their destinations. • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the separation wall in Budrus and Rantis was resumed. • Land Confiscation: The Israeli authorities notified villagers of Rantis of their intention to confiscate 500 <i>dunums</i> (125 acres) of land for construction of the separation wall. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Turmus'ayya, searched 3 houses and arrested 3 civilians. (iii) At 14:30, and again at 19:40, the Israeli army raided the towns of Deir Ghassana and Beit Rima. (iv) At 20:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Malik and opened fire towards civilians, critically injuring 1 civilian in the neck. (v) At 23:10, the Israeli army raided the towns of Deir Ghassana, Beit Rima and Kafr 'Ein. (vi) At 02:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Rima, searched 1 house and fired sound bombs into the house. (vii) At 03:00, 2 Israeli army jeeps raided the town of Mazari' an Nubani and searched 1 house. (viii) The Israeli army raided the village of Rantis, opened fire towards civilians and arrested 1 civilian. (ix) The Israeli army raided the village of Beit 'Ur al Tahta, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.

	<p>(x) The Israeli army raided the village of Kharbatha al Misbah, searched several houses and arrested 3 civilians, including 1 child.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Turmus'ayya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Rif'at Lafi Shalabi; (ii) Ziyad Jabara; and (iii) Amjad Abu Muhsin. <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the village of Rantis:</p> <p>(iv) Salih Ballut.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the Civil Affairs Administration office near Ramallah:</p> <p>(v) Rami Deeb, a resident of the village of Shabtin.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the village of Beit 'Ur al Tahta:</p> <p>(vi) Husein Suleiman.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Kharbatha al Misbah:</p> <p>(vii) Muhammad Judah, 15 years old;</p> <p>(viii) Ayid Ibrahim, 21 years old; and</p> <p>(ix) Mustafa Shehadeh.</p>
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure/School Disruption: The closure imposed on the eastern part of the city has prohibited 38 teachers from reaching their schools. • Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Separation Wall Construction / Land Leveling: Land leveling in the northern valleys (Bardala, and 'Ein al Beida) and east of Tubas (Al Mutilla, Al Mughayyir, Raba, and Al Buqei' plateau) continues. • Raid / Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army raided the town of Tubas and closed both the northern and southern entrances by setting up checkpoints.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Jerusalem/Bethlehem road remains closed. (ii) The Beit Jala/Al Walaja road remains closed by dirt and rock mounds. (iii) The southern entrance to the city and the Al Khadr/Beit Jala road remain open for pedestrians only. • Raid: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan, searched several houses and arrested 4 civilians. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in Husan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hasan Shusha;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Mahmoud Za'lul; (iii) Muhammad Za'lul; and (iv) Abdul Fattah Husni. • Travel Restriction: The Israeli army prohibited 50 civilians from traveling for the <i>Haj</i> pilgrimage for 'security' reasons based on the fact that they are relatives of either prisoners or those killed by Israeli forces.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: At 15:00, the Israeli army surrounded and sealed off the town of Bal'a, preventing civilians from entering or leaving the area. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, an Israeli jeep set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Kafr Malik, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the town of Bal'a on the main Tulkarem/ Nablus road. (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army, including 1 APC and 2 jeeps, set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Nur Shams refugee camp on the Tulkarem/Nablus road, obstructed the movement of traffic, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. (iv) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction if the village of Al Jarushiya, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. (v) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Anabta/ Bizzariya junction, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. • Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:40, the Israeli army raided the Tulkarem refugee camp and carried out a house search campaign. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a, searched several houses, arrested 1 civilian, invaded a secondary school, destroyed all entrances to the school, opened indiscriminate fire and fired sound bombs into the school while students remained trapped in their classrooms. The Israeli army fired at a mosque, causing damage to the mosque and nearby houses. (iii) At 20:00, several Israeli army jeeps raided the town of Anabta and the village of Kafr Al Labad and opened fire. (iv) At 01:30 and 03:00, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp as helicopters patrolled the skies over the area at low altitude. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mansur Hamdan, 38 years old, in the town of Bal'a.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Nablus remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from leaving or entering the city. • School Disruption: The curfew imposed on the village of Till forced the closure of 4 schools, denying 1377 children their right to education. • Detention: At 21:00, the Israeli army detained and beat several civilians from the area of Al Juneid as they were attempting to leave the city to reach their workplaces. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Till, imposed curfew and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and opened fire towards civilians, injuring 1 civilian in the leg. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Manal Fathi Huneidi, female, in Till.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detention: The Israeli army detained dozens of civilians in the old town of Hebron. • Livestock Slaughter/Fine: The Israeli army killed 250 sheep that were grazing in the separation wall closed zone in the town of Yatta. The Israeli army then demanded the owner of the livestock, Othman Jubariya, pay a fine of 64,500 NIS (14,660 USD).
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army closed the entrances to the town of ‘Azzun and the iron gate at the northern entrance. The Israeli army set up a checkpoint under the bridge leading to the northern villages, cutting access from Qalqilya to all villages located in the north, south, and east and completely isolating the district from Tulkarem. • Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying Checkpoint: At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the town of Jamma’in. • Separation Wall Construction: The Israeli army served eviction orders to residents located west of Salfit to evacuate the area by 15 February 2004 for construction of the separation wall. • Raid: At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Jamma’in, opened indiscriminate fire, searched 1 house and destroyed its contents.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Erez crossing remains closed to workers.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 22:05, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards the areas of Al Baraka and Abu Holi, south of Deir al Balah, and towards the area of Abu Ajin, north of Khan Younis.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Abu Holi road is partially opened. • Attack: At 09:25, and again at 16:35, Israeli army tanks located at Point 12 opened fire towards civilian houses in Al Namsawi neighborhood. • House Demolition: At 12:50, the Israeli army demolished a home near the settlement of Neve Dakaleem.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Sufa crossing remains closed to all civilians. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army, including 2 military personnel carriers and 1 bulldozer, raided Yabna refugee camp near Point 8.5 and demolished the fence of a mosque. (ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army, including 10 military personnel carriers and 3 bulldozers, raided the Al Arabiya area, north west of Rafah city.

PERMITS

GAZA STRIP	<p>Despite Israeli announcements of allowing workers to resume their work in the Green Line and Industrial Areas, only 2,097 workers crossed the Green Line.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permits to Cross the Green Line: 1,445 • Permits to enter Industrial Areas: 652
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