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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 21 January 2011 – 08:00 22 January 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	6	—	6	Protestors and civilians severely beaten
Injuries	2	—	2	Incl. a journalist in Jerusalem
Attacks	7	2	9	7 in confrontations and 2 by navy boats
Raids	18	—	18	Incl. 4 in Nablus and 4 in Hebron
Arrests (per person)	8	—	6	Incl. children in Jerusalem city
Detentions	17	—	17	Incl. children and an int'l peace activist
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Hebron
House Occupations	3	—	3	Converted into mil. posts in Ramallah
Curfew	1	—	1	Over a neighbourhood in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	20	—	20	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 6 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	44	—	44	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	2 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Gaining access to Palestinian areas
Demonstrations	5	—	5	Incl. against settlement activity & Wall
TOTAL	162	7	169	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 21 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 Iksa 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 Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli authorities continue 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. (ii) In the morning of 22 January 2011, and ostensibly because stones and empty bottles had been thrown Israeli troops, the Israeli army closed Shu’fat checkpoint and denied civilian access, preventing residents of Dahiyat Ras Khamis, Dahiyat as Salam, ‘Anata town, and Shu’fat refugee camp from reaching their workplaces. • Attack/Injuries: In the evening of 21 January 2011, Israeli troops positioned in the area surrounding Shu’fat refugee camp in Jerusalem city fired sound and tear gas grenades on civilians, allegedly for throwing stones. As a result, a number of civilians, including women and children, sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. Israeli troops also arrested civilians, including children. (The number and names of those arrested were unknown). • Demonstration/Injury/Detentions: At 12:00, civilians performed Friday prayers in the sit-in tent erected in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city in protest against seizure of civilian homes for the benefit of Jewish settlement associations. Participants also protested against the eviction of civilian homes for construction of settlement projects. Following the prayers, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors,
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	<p>during which the Israeli army injured Hamzeh Na'aji, a journalist. A number of participants also sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. In addition, the Israeli army detained a number of children, including 10-year-old Mohammed al 'Abbas, and released them at a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<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. (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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to 'Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/House Occupations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:40, the Israeli army raided An Nabi Salih village, closed the gate at its entrance, and denied civilian access to or from the village. The Israeli army also occupied and converted into military posts the roofs of three civilian houses. (ii) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided Al Am'ari refugee camp in El Bireh city. While raiding a number of houses, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also served summonses on a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli 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 wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. (ii) At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Bil'in village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of participants were wounded as a result of tear gas inhalation.

	<p>(iii) At 14:00, a mass demonstration, including international 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 a number of civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: 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"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of Dotan settlement. • Flying Checkpoint/Detention: At 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Zububa village, searched civilian vehicles, arrested a civilian, and detained Ma’moun Mahmoud al Muhr. Israeli troops released Al Muhr after serving him a summons to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Raid: At 17:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Zububa village. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to Zububa village arrested Mohammed Yousef Mohammed Nazzal. • 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 city of Tubas. • Raid: At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tayasir village. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:15, Israeli troops arrested Muthanna Hasan Abu ‘Arrah, a resident of ‘Aqqaba town, from his workplace inside the Green Line. <p>At 21:30, the Israeli army arrested three civilians while they were grazing sheep near Pequot settlement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) ‘Adnan Ahmed Mustafa Bani ‘Odeh; (iii) Abdullah Ahmed Thiyab Bani ‘Odeh; and (iv) Nael Mufeed Ahmed Bani ‘Odeh.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at ‘Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoint/Detentions: At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Beit Lid town, searched civilian vehicles, detained two Palestinian Police officers, and released them after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Sur village. (ii) At 15:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dahiyat Shuweika in Tulkarem city. (iii) At 22:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Far'un village. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<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 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 14:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Jit and Far'ata villages and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested a civilian. (iv) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Al Funduq village and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Kafr Laqif village and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Hajja and Al Funduq villages and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hajja village. (ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asla village. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to Qalqiliya city arrested an unidentified civilian. • Settler Violence: At 08:40, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to civilian land east of Far'ata village. A clash took place between Israeli settlers and civilians. The Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area at a later time. • 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.

<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 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. (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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and ‘Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 13:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yatma village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided Till village, searched a house, and withdrew at 17:20. (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Burqa village. (iii) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qusin village. (iv) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Furik town.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</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 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za’tara junction checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yasuf village and searched civilians and vehicles until 18:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 23:40, the Israeli army raided Salfit city, served a summons on Dhiya' Mohammed Mustafa Zuhd to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency, and withdrew at 01:00. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 09:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles.
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 # 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. (iii) Beginning on 20 January 2011, the Israeli army has continued to close the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a villages. • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 20:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Fajjar town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Demonstration/Physical Assaults/Detention: At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Ma'sara village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which Israeli troops beat protestors with batons and rifle butts, leaving a number of participants with contusions. A number of protestors also sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. In addition, Israeli troops detained an international peace activist. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.

HEBRON

- **Closure:**
 - (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.
- **Closure of Main Roads:**
 - (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.
- **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iii) At 18:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to As Samoa' town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raids:**
 - (i) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided Adh Dhahiriya town and searched a house.
 - (ii) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided Idhna town and served summonses on a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
 - (iii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bani Na'im town.
 - (iv) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided Dura town and patrolled the area until 04:15.
- **Curfew/Physical Assaults:** At 13:50, the Israeli army imposed curfew on Tal Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron. Having evacuated residents, the Israeli army searched a building and severely beat a number of civilians. The Israeli army lifted the curfew at a later time.
- **Arrests:** At 13:30, the Israeli army arrested two civilians in the old city of Hebron:
 - (i) Hatem Siyaj; and
 - (ii) Mohammed Khalil al Ja'bari.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> On 21 January 2011, a group of Israeli settlers from Karmil settlement gained access to and planted tree seedlings on land belonging to Al Hathalin family in Khirbet Um al Kheir east of Yatta town. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<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. • <u>Violation of the Ceasefire:</u> Israeli navy boats opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beaches of Northern Gaza and Gaza districts.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> 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. • <u>Attack:</u> In the morning of 22 January 2011, the Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing was partially open for the passage of 48 truckloads of wheat and 38 truckloads of animal feed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. • <u>Attack:</u> In the morning of 22 January 2011, the Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Gaza city's beach.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was closed on Friday.

	<p>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</p> <p>(iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</p>
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GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Hunger Strike:</u> On 21 January 2011, political prisoners held in Nafha Prison declared a hunger strike in protest against harsh imprisonment conditions, including daily raids and searches of prisoners' cells. The hunger strike will last for two days.
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