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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 28 January 2008 – 08:00, 29 January 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1		1	One child in the city of Bethlehem
Injuries	9		9	Incl. 8 civilians in Bethlehem
Arrests	13		13	Incl. 5 civilians in Hebron
Detentions	18		18	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	32		32	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem; 5 in Hebron
Checkpoints	16		16	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	11		11	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem; 2 in Jenin
Attacks	7	2	9	Incl. during 4 raids; 1 confrontation
Air Patrols		2	2	Incl. combat helicopters
House Demolition	3		3	Incl. one civilian house in Bethlehem
House Occupation	1		1	Occupation of house roofs in Bethlehem
Demolition of Property	3		3	3 civilian vehicles damaged in Bethlehem
Wall construction	25		25	Continues in West Bank districts
Closures	7		7	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	35		35	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem; 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings
Palestinian Attacks		4	4	Incl. 10 mortar fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	181	13	194	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS

• The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.

• <u>Closure</u>: At 11:00, the Israeli army closed the city of Jerusalem completely for a number of hours. The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. Additionally, the Israeli army combed the area alongside the apartheid Wall as a result of heated alarms of a suicide attack in the city.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya 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.

• Raids:

- (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the refugee camp of Shu'fat.
- (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kufr Aqab and patrolled it until 02:40.
- (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of al-Sawahreh al-Sharqiyyeh and searched 3 civilian houses.
- Attacks: At 21:00, the Israeli army assigned the security of the apartheid wall alongside the village of Qatannah opened fire towards a group of children under the pretext o stone throwing, resulting I nthe serious injury of Mahmoud Mohammad Taha, 16.
- <u>House Demolition</u>: On January 28, the Israeli army demolished two floors in a residential building under the pretext of unlicensed construction in Shu'fat neighborhood in the city of Jerusalem. The floors belong to civilians Ahmad Hassan Alqam and Khalaf Mahmoud Deis.

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Wall Gates: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall (ii) 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 Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of al-Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna. **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village of Safa with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the **RAMALLAH** checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and impede civilian access. Raids: (i) At 12:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beitunia. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of al-Bireh. (ii) Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Oaddis. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. **Flying Checkpoints**: (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the town of Qabatia and the village of Mislliyyeh. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Jaba'. Raids: **JENIN** (i) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of al-Araga. At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin. (ii) (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Qabatia and opened fire indiscriminately during patrol. Arrests: At 02:30 on January 28, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on the city of Jenin civilian Hussein Ahmad Mansour. (See January 28 report). 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>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Tayaseer checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. <u>Raids</u>: (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of
	Tayaseer. (ii) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Toubas and the town of Tamoun.
TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil's plain; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarem-Nablus road and at Jbara checkpoint. Raids: At 08:50, the Israeli army raided the suburb of Shweiki in the city of Tulkarem, searched one civilian house, and withdrew at 012:55. At 01:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Allar and patrolled it until 03:00. At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and the refugee camp of Nour Shams and arrested 2 military officers, and then withdrew at 02:30. Arrests: The 2 military officers arrested in the city of Tulkarem and the refugee camp of Nour Shams are: (a) Ali Youssef Foudah; and (b) Louay Abdel Fattah Mustafa. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special
	 Israeli permits. Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road that connects the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqilya and impede civilian access. Raids: (i) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqilya and searched 3 civilian houses. (ii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Thulth, opened fire indiscriminately during house search, arrested one civilian, and withdrew at 02:00. Arrests: The civilian arrested in the town of Kafr Thulth is Ashraf Wafiq

	Mousa Odeh.
	• Wall Gates:
	(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special
	Israeli permits.
	(ii) 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: Land leveling for Wall construction continues in the
	villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr
	Thulth and 'Azzun.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the
	junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei
	Shomron.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler
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	bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of
	Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al-
	Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
	(iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road that connects the city of
	Nablus with the village of Qosin with dirt barricades.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing
	checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
	(i) At Tur neighborhood 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 neighborhood only.
	(ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit
NABLUS	Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.
NABLUS	(iii) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the
	checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town
	of 'Asira al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only
	allowing access to humanitarian cases.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 02:30 on January 28, the Israeli army raided the city
	of Nablus and arrested one civilian.
	(ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Huwara
	and searched one commercial store.
	(iii) At 01:13, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and
	the village of Kafr Qalil, opened fire indiscriminately
	during search of one building, and arrested 2 civilians (a
	child and a police officer) in the village of Kafr Qalil.
	• Arrests:
	(i) The civilian arrested in the city of Nablus is Mohammad al-
	Shawwa.
	(ii) The 2 civilians arrested in the village of Kafr Qalil are:
	(a) Oday Nasser Hussein Mansour, 16; and
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	(b) Police officer Jamal Mohammad Mahmoud Harb.
SALFIT	Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current Intifada (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the agricultural road connecting the village of Iskaka and the bypass road (trans-Samaria) near Ariel settlement. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tarah checkpoints and to deny civilian access. Flying Checkpoints: At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yassouf, and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:00. Raids: (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Istiyya and patrolled it until 12:50. (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafl Hares and patrolled it until 13:30. Mall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ari'el.
JERICHO	 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: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on 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. (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the D.C.O. checkpoint that is set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho, impeded traffic and detained 3 civilians and released them at a later time. Raids: At 07:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of al-'Auja. Attacks: at 18:35, the Israeli army fired illumination bombs in the village of al-Nouaymah under the pretext of stone throwing at the bypass road.

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- (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) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahour and Bethlehem
- Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road.
 - (i) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Salah and set up a checkpoint. The raid recurred at 15:15 during which the Israeli army set up a checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00.
 - (ii) 14:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, opened fire intensively and fired tear gas bombs. In addition, the Israeli army searched a number of civilian houses and occupied roofs of houses and converted them into military posts. Moreover, the Israeli army clashed with civilians during the demolition of one civilian house and killed one child and seriously injured 8 civilians, including 4 children 2 of whom were critically wounded, and they are: Mahmoud Mohammad al-Zaareer, 13 and Ihab Mohammad al-'Adam, 16. The Israeli army also arrested one civilian labeled 'wanted' by the Israeli authorities, damaged 3 civilian vehicles, and withdrew at 21:30.
- <u>Deaths</u>: The civilian killed in the city of Bethlehem is Qusay Suleiman Effendi, 17.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The civilian arrested in the city of Bethlehem is Mohammad Issa Khalil Abdeh.
- <u>House Demolition</u>: The house demolished in the city of Bethlehem belongs to the arrested civilian Mohammad Issa Khalil Abed.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.

• <u>Closure</u>:

HEBRON

(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

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- 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) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the area of al-Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al-Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bani Na'eem, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the passageway to the town of Halhoul, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Yatta, and searched civilians and vehicles.

• <u>Raids</u>:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Surif.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. The raid recurred at 17:35 and at 02:00.
- (iii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhoul and arrested a university student.

• Arrests:

- (i) At 03:00 on January 28, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians during a raid on the town of al-Thahiriyyeh. The arrested civilians are:
 - (a) Mohammad Manna'; and
 - (b) Firas Manna'.
- (ii) At 21:45, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, including one child, in the old city of Hebron. The arrested civilians are:

(a) Atta Sa'eed Abu Rmooz, 17; and
(b) Mus'ab Rushdi al-Atrash.
(iii) The civilian arrested in the town of Halhoul is Youssef Mazen
Murshed.
• Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya
checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates
the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the
village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

GAZA STRIP

	(iv) <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open				
	(to allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).				
NORTHERN	(v) <u>Palestinian Attacks</u> :				
GAZA	(i) At 15:50, one (unidentified) mortar was fired towards the Green Line.				
	(ii) At 16:00, one (unidentified) mortar was fired towards the Green Line.				
	(iii) At 16:20, two (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.				
	Closure of Crossing Points:				
	(i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.				
	(ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open to let in a limited				
GAZA	quantity of fuel.				
	• Attacks: At 01:00, the Israeli army fired three tank missiles and opened fire				
	intensively from its post on the Green Line towards Palestinian areas east of				
	al-Shuja'iya neighborhood that is located east of the city of Gaza.				
	• Air Patrols: At 04:00, Israeloi combat helicopters and reconnaissance air				
	crafts flew over the city of Gaza.				
	• Palestinian Attacks: In the evening of January 28, two (unidentified) mortars				
	were fired towards the Green Line.				
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	• <u>Closure of Crossing Points</u> : All Closed (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.				
RAFAH	(ii) Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed.				
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	(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.				