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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 02 March 2005 – 08:00 03 March 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	—	1	1 child of injuries sustained earlier
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian severely beaten
Injury	—	1	1	1 child in Rafah refugee camp
Attacks	3	10	13	Incl. 1 during raid & 11 from posts
Raids	27	2	29	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 5 in Ramallah
Air Patrol	1	—	1	1 helicopter over west of Salfit
Arrests (per person)	18	—	18	Incl. 9 in Jenin and 5 in Nablus
Detentions	13	—	13	Incl. in residential compounds
Land Levelling	1	2	3	Incl. near Karmeit Tzur settlement
Wall Construction	19	—	19	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Window glass of 1 vehicle damaged
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	2,500 <i>dunums</i> in Iskaka
House Occupations	2	—	2	In Nablus and 'Attil
Curfews	4	—	4	Incl. Abu Dis and Al 'Eizariya
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	23	—	23	Incl. 8 in Tulkarem & 5 in Salfit
Closure (per District)	5	—	5	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Incl. 3 partially open
School Disruption	3	—	3	Incl. classes in 3 schools in Salim
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. civilians denied access
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	1	3	Incl. open fire towards 1 Pal. location
Construction of Mil. Post	1	—	1	1 mil. post over a hill near 'Ein Siniya
Palestinian Attack	1	—	1	During Israeli army raid on Jenin
Pal. Security Measures	—	1	1	1 tunnel closed in Rafah
TOTAL	130	21	151	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat.
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely preventing civilians from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya, and in the section of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Checkpoints: At 16:25, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and closed Qalandiya checkpoint, preventing civilians from crossing. Raid/Curfew: At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the towns of Al 'Eizariya and Abu Dis, imposed curfew, and surrounded Al Quds University in the town of Abu Dis.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints/Destruction of Property: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the village of 'Atara, searched civilians and vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also damaged the window glass of 1 civilian vehicle. At 18:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Silwad, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Deir Abu Mash'al, searched civilians and vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 18:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled several neighbourhoods.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Kharbatha Bani Harith, searched 1 house, and withdrew at a later time. (iii) At 22:35, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Abu Shukheidim. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (iv) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Bil'in and detained a number of civilians for an extended period of time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of Military Post: The Israeli army constructed a military post over a hill overlooking the village of 'Ein Siniya and prevented farmers from ploughing their groves near the post.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. (ii) Israeli authorities suspended the issuing of access permits for farmers to cultivate their land, which is located behind the Wall. • Raids/Palestinian Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Silat Adh Dhahr, arrested 3 civilians, and withdrew at 04:00. (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin. An armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army. The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians and withdrew at 04:00. (iii) At 04:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Tubas and patrolled the area until 05:00. • Killing: At 16:00, Fadi Hassan Qarini, 16 years old, died of injuries sustained 2 years ago in Jenin refugee camp, after which he was completely paralyzed. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Silat Adh Dhahr: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mujahed Yousef 'Atiyyeh; (ii) Mohammed Hisham 'Atiyyeh; and (iii) Tareq Ghaleb 'Atiyyeh. The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in the city of Jenin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Ahmed Ghazi As Sa'di; (v) Mohammed Ghazi As Sa'di; (vi) Ahmed Yaseen As Sa'di; (vii) Hussam Faris As Sa'di; (viii) Mujahed Saffouri; and (ix) Fakhri Zakarneh.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav gate, which controls the road between the cities of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 12:00. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints on Al Jarushiya junction and at the entrance to the town of Deir Al Ghusun, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 19:25. (iii) At 17:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:45. (iv) At 18:20, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints in the area of Ras Rummana, at the entrance to the town of 'Illar, and at the eastern entrance to the village of Shufa, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. • <u>Raids/House Occupation:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:15, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of 'Anabta and patrolled the area until 11:00. (ii) At 14:45, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Illar and detained 9 individuals, including several children and 3 Palestinian Police officers. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the town again, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 20:30. (iii) At 18:25, the Israeli army raided the village of An Nazla Ash Sharqiya and patrolled the area. (iv) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Attil, occupied 1 house, converted it into a military post, and patrolled the area. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 03:00 on 02 March 2005, the Israeli army arrested Amjad Zuheir 'Attili in the town of 'Illar.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 13:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the city of Qalqiliya and the village of Jit, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Jit arrested Rabi' Ibrahim 'Abed, a Palestinian National Security officer. (ii) At 15:30, Israeli troops positioned at the settlement of Kedumim checkpoint arrested Mohammed Fawzi Tanjeh, a student. (iii) At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint arrested Lutfi Bilal Khaled, a university student from the town of Jayyus, on his way to visit a relative held in Salim Military Detention Centre.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint, detaining civilians at both sides of the checkpoint for several hours. • <u>Raids/Curfew/School Disruption/House Occupation:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning on 19:30 on 01 March 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the village of Salim and continued to impose curfew, thereby disrupting classes in 3 schools in the village serving 1,806 students. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 1 house in the area of the Northern Mount, converted it into a military post, and arrested 3 civilians. At 22:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus again, along with Balata refugee camp, opened fire, fired sound grenades, searched a number of houses, and patrolled the area outside Al Muqata'a. At 01:55, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nihad Hassan Kassab; (ii) Thaer Dawoud Suleiman; and (iii) Mahmoud Dawoud Suleiman. (iv) At 21:45, the Israeli army arrested Rabi' 'Ubeid, a resident of Nablus, in an unidentified location. (v) Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Samer Labeeb.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut near the Green Line. (ii) Based on a claim filed by the Municipality of Salfit, Iskaka Village Council, and civilian landowners, the Israeli Supreme Court issued a decision ruling for the suspension of Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka and north of the city of Salfit for a period of 21 days beginning on 10 February 2005. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Trans-Samaria Highway, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, obstructed civilian movement, and withdrew at 14:30. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement until 17:00. (iii) At 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road to Wadi Al Matwi, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 20:00. (iv) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Marda and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:00 on 02 March 2005, Israeli army infantry forces raided the city of Salfit, after an Israeli army helicopter dispatched them. The Israeli troops set up a checkpoint along Al Matwi road and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:00. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Iskaka and patrolled the area. • <u>Land Confiscation:</u> The Israeli army distributed an order to the head of Iskaka Village Council for the confiscation of 2,500 <i>dunums</i> (625 acres) of land cultivated with olive trees for military purposes.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army only permitted residents of the city of Jericho to enter the city. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army closed Al Hamra checkpoint, detaining civilians at both sides of the checkpoint for several hours. • <u>Raid/School Disruption:</u> Beginning at 07:00 on 02 March 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned at the village of Fasayil and continued to impose curfew, thereby disrupting classes in the village's basic school serving 260 students. At 22:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 14:00, the Israeli army closed As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya checkpoint, preventing civilians from crossing. At 20:00, the checkpoint was reopened. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area. (ii) At 12:05, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya, set up a checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. (iii) At 23:20, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the city of Beit Sahur and patrolled the area.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Idhna and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, the town of Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj. • <u>Flying Checkpoints/Physical Assault:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna, searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also severely beat Mahmoud At Tumeizi. (ii) The Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint in the area of An Nabi Yunis at the northern entrance to the city of Hebron and another flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction, searched civilians and vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. • <u>Raid:</u> At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled several neighbourhoods. • <u>Settler Violence/Land Levelling:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Karmeit Zur levelled civilian land near the settlement and prevented civilians from accessing their land. (ii) Israeli settlers from the settlement of Asfar east of the town of Sa'ir prevented civilians from accessing their land near the settlement. (iii) Israeli settlers from the settlement of 'Etna'il, located between the towns of Yatta and As Samoa', prevented civilians from accessing their land near the settlement.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. (iii) Nahal 'Oz Crossing is partially open. However, the Israeli army does not allow vehicles transporting gas from crossing.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Alon military post towards Palestinian territory southwest of the city of Deir Al Balah. (ii) At 23:20, the Israeli army fired 1 sound grenade towards 1 civilian while he was present near the settlement of Kfar Darom southeast of the city of Deir Al Balah.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open. (iv) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed. (v) Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. (vi) Morag road, which connects Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At 10:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 172 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the village of 'Abasan. • <u>Raids/Land Levelling:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:20, an Israeli army bulldozer raided Palestinian territory opposite Point 158 on the Green Line east of the village of 'Abasan and levelled land. (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army, including 2 bulldozers, raided the area of Abu Al 'Ajin in Al Qarara and levelled land.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open. • <u>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 8 and 9 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards civilian houses in the neighbourhood of Yabna, the area of Ash Sha'ut, and Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp. (ii) At 13:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 214 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Sufa Crossing. (iii) At 14:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 7 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards 1 Palestinian National Security location in Bloc (O) in Rafah refugee camp. (iv) At 16:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8.5 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards civilian houses in the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp, injuring 13-year-old Jihad Joudeh with bullet wounds in the face. (v) At 21:40, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 5 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in As Salaam neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 10:00, Palestinian security forces searched for, and closed, a tunnel west of Rafah Crossing.