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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 March 2005 – 08:00 04 March 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. 4 children beaten in Zeita
Injuries	3	—	3	Incl. 2 children in Hebron
Attacks	3	4	7	Incl. 1 during raid & 5 from posts
Raids	13	1	14	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 3 in Tulkarem
Air Patrols	2	—	2	Incl. over the city of Jenin
Arrest (per person)	1	—	1	In the district of Jenin
Detentions	6	—	6	At checkpoints
Wall Construction	19	—	19	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. 4 in Jenin and 6 in Tulkarem
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
Settlement Activity	—	1	1	Incl. 1 settler bypass road constructed
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	2	Incl. open fire towards 1 Pal. post
Construction of Mil. Post	—	1	1	1 watchtowers in Khan Yunis
TOTAL	74	12	86	

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: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches.
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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Bir Zeit University, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqi. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint forced civilian passengers to step out of a taxi and forced the taxi driver to transport a number of troops to the village of Sinjil (no further details were reported). Raid: At 09:55, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah. At 16:00, and again at 23:20, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled several neighbourhoods.

<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Dotan military post and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00. (ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jenin, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. (iii) At 20:25, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints at the entrance to the village of Jarba and on the Sanur-Meithalun junction, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and obstructed civilian movement. At 21:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Raid: At 19:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Ya'bad, opened indiscriminate fire, and patrolled the area. • Air Patrol: Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies at low altitudes over the city of Jenin. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mu'ayyad Sayel Qabaha from his workplace in the settlement of Mehola.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<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. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints/Physical Assault: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Ras Rummana near the town of Baqa Ash Sharqiya and searched civilian vehicles. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Zeita-'Illar junction, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint severely beat and injured Wael 'Atallah, after which he was transported to hospital. (iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nazla Al Gharbiya along the road to Baqa Ash Sharqiya, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. (iv) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Illar and searched civilian and vehicles. • Raids/Physical Assault: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a, searched 1 house,

	<p>and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Zeita, detained a number of children near the town's school, and severely beat 4 children.</p> <p>(iii) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided the area between the towns of 'Illar and Kafr Ra'i. Israeli army helicopters opened fire. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iv) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Al Ghusun, searched 2 houses, and patrolled the area until 04:00.</p>
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Trans-Samaria Highway near the entrance to the village of Marda, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 14:30. • Raid: At 23:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Istiya, searched 5 houses, and withdrew at 01:00.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Raid: At 11:40, the Israeli army, including 1 jeep and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory near the cemetery of 'Aqbat Jaber refugee camp, and withdrew at a later time.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Wall Construction: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 06:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Beit Sahur and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and set up a checkpoint near 1 Palestinian National Security location. At 16:15, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up a checkpoint in

	<p>the centre of the town, and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 21:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area.</p>
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Wall Construction: 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. • Attack: At 18:30, Israeli troops positioned at Tarusa checkpoint opened rubber-coated steel bullets towards civilians, injuring 3 civilians, including 2 children. • Raid: At 15:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Hebron and patrolled several neighbourhoods.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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"> • Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 17:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Alon military post towards 1 Palestinian National Security location in the area of Al Barakah southwest of the city of Deir Al Balah.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (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. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:40, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 10 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.

	<p>(ii) At 22:00, Israeli troops positioned at Abu Holi checkpoint opened fire towards Palestinian territory west of the checkpoint.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of Military Post: At 11:30, the Israeli army erected 1 watchtower of cement blocks near Point 5 in the area of Al ‘Abadilah at the entrance to the settlement of Netzer Hazani.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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. • Attack: At 10:15, the Israeli army opened fire from its location near Point 217 on the Green Line towards a number of civilians south of Sufa Crossing. • Raid: At 02:20, the Israeli army, including 1 tank, 1 armoured vehicle, and a number of jeeps, raided Palestinian territory near Point 6 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border south of Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.