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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 March 2010 – 08:00 05 March 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	*	—	—	2 civilians founded not to be injured
Attacks	5	6	11	Incl. 4 in raids and 3 from mil. posts
Raids	19	2	21	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 6 in Jenin
Air Patrols	—	2	2	Reconnaissance over Gaza and Rafah
Arrests (per person)	7*	—	7	Incl. a child and a university student
Detentions	13	—	13	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
House Demolitions	*	—	—	Notice to demolish 8 houses, Hebron
Land Levelling	—	2	2	in the districts of Gaza and Rafah
Wall Construction	22	—	22	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	—	1	1	Crops in the district of Rafah
Confiscation of Property	—	1	1	A fishing boat at sea in Central Gaza
Closure of Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	—	18	Incl. 4 in Nablus and 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Nu'man and Mazmuriya villages
Closure of Main Roads	40	—	40	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	3 crossings partially open
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. a 3-year-old girl abducted, Nablus
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	A security vehicle detained, Bethlehem
Demonstration	1	—	1	Against land levelling in Bethlehem
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	Fire opened on Israeli troops, N. Gaza
TOTAL	144	23	167	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction). (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. • 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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem-issued ID cards only. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As 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 the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 15:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the overpass to the town of ‘Atara, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. • <u>Attack:</u> At 01:05, the Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets towards a number of young civilians near the ‘Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre, allegedly because they had thrown stones and burned wheel tyres. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Burqa, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the village, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 00:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya. (iii) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 08:30, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the village of Ras Karkar and provoked civilians. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues west of the town of ‘Abud; in the village of Bil’in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Al ‘Araqa, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun. While searching a number of houses, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (iii) At 14:45, the Israeli army raided the village of At Tayba and patrolled the area until 16:05. (iv) At 18:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Al ‘Araqa and Al Hashimiya. (v) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of ‘Anin, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Contrary to the report of 03 March 2010, the Israeli army did not arrest or injure Bajes ‘Adel Hamdiya and Ala’ ad Din Sha’ban az Zuyoud (whom the Israeli authorities describe as “wanted” individuals) during its raid into the town of Al Yamun. Both civilians surrendered themselves to the Palestinian security agencies on 05 March 2010. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed ‘Awadh Mansour in the village of ‘Anin. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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 town of Tubas. • Raid/Attack: At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Aqaba, opened fire, and fired flares. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 22:25. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Tamir Suleiman Abu Tawil in the village of Al 'Aqaba.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafir al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoint/Detention: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops also detained Raed Mohammed Hasan Saleem, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • Raid: At 18:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir al Ghusun. • Arrest: At 10:55, Israeli troops positioned at 'Einav checkpoint arrested Raef 'Awadh Theeb Husni. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<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 Checkpoint: At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Hajja and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 08:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Azzun. • Wall Gate: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfei Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol 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 southern entrance to the village of Duma; and the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: 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. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Salem and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Beit Iba on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Yitzhar and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 16:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. • Settler Violence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to a cave north of the village of Burqa. Consequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area. (ii) At 17:15, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar abducted Manal Rajeh Shihadeh Musallam, a 3-year-old female child from the village of 'Einabus. The Israeli army, however, handed over the girl to her parents at Huwwara checkpoint.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Farkha and patrolled the area until 03:00. • Arrest: At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested Sharaf Nayef Suweitat, 17 years old. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ariel.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. At 10:00, the Israeli army installed an iron gate on the road. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 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, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<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 # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad as well as a road east of the town of Beit Fajjar. (ii) Beginning at 15:30 on 11 February 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close with dirt barricades an agricultural road connecting the town of Tuqu' to the village of Khirbet al Baq'a. • Flying Checkpoint/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 09:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the settlement Kfar 'Etzion, searched civilians and vehicles, detained a Palestinian National Security vehicle, and allowed it to cross after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Battir. (ii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. • Demonstration: At 09:10, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the area of Al Cremisan northwest of the city of Beit Jala in protest against levelling olive groves for Wall construction.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As 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 of As Sahleh. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Laban Market with iron plates, the Israeli army 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, controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the area of Al Hawawir, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya. (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 with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:55, and again at 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the town of Halhul, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a university student. (iv) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit ar Rush al Foqa and distributed notices for the demolition of 8 houses belonging to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Amajd Mohammed Hureibat; (ii) Zayed Omar Kashour; (iii) Ibrahim Taha Hureibat; (iv) Tawfiq Mohammed Hureibat;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (v) Hussin Hureibat; (vi) Muneer Hasan Isma'il; (vii) Nasser Harbi Kashour; and (viii) Ra'fat Nasser Kashour. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 20:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 02 March 2010, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up on a road to the city of Ramallah arrested Ahmed Mohammed Mousa at Toubas, a resident of the city of Hebron. (ii) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up near the entrance to the town of Halhul arrested 'Azmi Walid Banat. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Muntasser Thiyab 'Awadh in the town of Beit Ummar. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.
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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. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. • Violations of the Ceasefire: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened intensive fire in the districts of Northern Gaza and Rafah. The Israeli army opened fire and fired tank shells towards civilian houses and property in the district of Northern Gaza. The Israeli navy opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats, arrested 3 fishermen, and confiscated their boat at sea off the beach of the city of Deir al Balah. (ii) Armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops along the Green Line in the district of Northern Gaza.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. • Attack: In the morning of 05 March 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired a number of tank shells from its location on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya. • Arrest: In the evening of 04 March 2010, Israeli troops positioned on Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing north of the town of Beit Hanun arrested Ahmed Saleem Abu 'Eideh, a businessman, despite the fact that he was in possession of an access permit.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack:</u> At 11:00, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops along the Green Line north of the town of Beit Hanun. Consequently, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards agricultural land north of the town.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (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>Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling:</u> In the morning of 05 March 2010, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory in area surrounding Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing east of Gaza city. The Israeli army opened intensive fire and levelled agricultural land.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack/Confiscation of Property:</u> At 04:30, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of the city of Rafah. Having surrounded them, Israeli navy officers arrested 3 fishermen and confiscated their boat. • <u>Arrests:</u> Israeli navy officers arrested 3 fishermen at sea off the beach of the city of Deir al Balah: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nafeth Nayef al Aqra'; (ii) Mohammed Nabil al Aqra'; and (iii) Mohammed Mohammed al Aqra'.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open on an exceptional basis to allow access to 118 civilians. Another 993 ill civilians, humanitarian cases, students, and civilians holding visas and residence cards abroad were allowed to leave the Gaza Strip through the Crossing. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, diesel allocated to the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas. Also, 3 truckloads of flowers were allowed to be exported through the Crossing. • <u>Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling:</u> In the morning of 05 March 2010, the Israeli army, including several tanks and armoured vehicles as well as 4 bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing east of the city of Rafah, opened intensive fire, and levelled agricultural land.