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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 06 March 2007 – 08:00 07 March 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	4	—	4	Incl. 2 children near Beituniya, Ramallah
Attacks	6	1	7	Incl. 5 in raids & 1 from a military post
Raids	36	1	37	Incl. 7 in Ramallah and 8 in Bethlehem
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Combat helicopters over Nablus district
Arrests	37	—	37	Incl. 1 mentally challenged civilian
Detentions	17	—	17	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Land Levelling	—	1	1	East of Beit Hanun in Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	26	—	26	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Incl. contents of a kindergarten damaged
Closure of Checkpoints	14	—	14	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	7	—	7	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 2 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. An Nu'man village in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	32	—	32	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 2 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Incl. Beit Hanun and Sufa partially
School Disruption	2	—	2	Incl. a girls school surrounded in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	Incl. General Intelligence offices raided
Palestinian Attacks	1	2	3	Incl. an explosive device thrown, Hebron
TOTAL	193	9	202	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Closure: 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 prevent civilians from accessing the mosque, only allowing access to female civilians and civilians holding Israeli-issued IDs who are above 45 years of age. This Israeli measure aims to prevent civilian demonstrations against the Israeli army's levelling of Bab al Maghariba old road, which leads to Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</p> <p>Closure of Main Roads:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. <p>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya 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.</p> <p>Wall Gates:</p> <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. <p>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 Ash 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.</p>
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- **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 with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.
- **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud, in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin, Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis, and in the town of Beituniya.
- **Attack/Injuries:** At 15:00, Israeli troops guarding the Wall in the vicinity of the town of Beituniya opened fire towards a number of young civilians, allegedly for throwing stones. As a result, 4 civilians, including 2 children, sustained bullet wounds.
- **Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Attack:**
 - (i) At dawn on 06 March 2007, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Surda and Abu Qash.
 - (ii) At 19:20, the Israeli army, including 9 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, arrested 1 university student, and withdrew at 20:00.
 - (iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched 3 houses.
 - (iv) At 03:05, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh as well as Al Am'ari refugee camp, after having demanded (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces not leave their positions. The Israeli army also opened indiscriminate fire, raided the offices of the Palestinian General Intelligence Headquarters, searched a number of houses, and arrested 6 civilians as well as 10 Palestinian security officers. At 07:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- **Arrests:**
 - (i) The Israeli army arrested Rami Ribhi al 'Iss in the village of Kafr 'Ein. The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians and 10 Palestinian security officers in the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh,
 - (ii) Thaer Jamal al Kafri, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (iii) Khalil Yousef Shillo, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (iv) Kamal Abu Safaqah, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (v) Mohammed Thyab Abu Ghazaleh, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (vi) Tareq al 'Umwasi, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (vii) Adib Ahmed 'Afaneh, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (viii) Kamal Jamil Abu Shanab, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (ix) Anas Taysir Salahat, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (x) Mahmoud Subhi al Barthouthi, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (xi) Nidhal Isma'il Abu Ghannam, a Palestinian security officer;
 - (xii) Ashraf Falah al Barghouthi;
 - (xiii) Mahmoud Mohammed al Barghouthi;
 - (xiv) Ma'een Mohammed 'Alawneh;

	<p>(xv) Younes Jamal al Kafri; (xvi) Murad Ahmed Rashid; and (xvii) Raed al 'Arqawi.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan as well as the road connecting the town of Qabatiya to the village of Misliya. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir 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. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Jaba' and the village of Hajja and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the town of Tubas and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 00:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Yamun and patrolled the area until 03:00.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 05 March 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir al Ghusun and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area. (ii) At 18:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Far'un. (iii) At 21:20, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of 'Illar. (iv) At 00:10, the Israeli army, including 5 armoured vehicles and 10 jeeps, raided the town of Qaffin, searched a number of houses, arrested 4 civilians, and withdrew at 04:10. (v) At 04:10, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem and patrolled the area until 07:45.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:00 on 28 February 2007, the Israeli army arrested Jamil Mahmoud Khreit during its raid into the town of 'Attil. <p>At 21:00, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, while they were working in an area inside the Green Line:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Ashraf Omar Mohammed Majadbeh; and (iii) Mohammed Abdul 'Aziz Nassar. <p>The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Qaffin:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Qussay Rashid 'Amarneh; (v) Jihad Mohammed Rashid 'Amarneh; (vi) Nabil Harsheh; and (vii) Seif Mustafa Rashid 'Amarneh.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 02:30. (ii) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus, searched a number of houses, and arrested 6 civilians, including 1 mentally challenged civilian. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Habla and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint in the district of Qalqiliya arrested Hasan Ahmed 'Attar, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer. <p>The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in the town of Jayyus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Ahmed Thyab Beidhah; (iii) Anwar 'Aref Saleem; (iv) Mohammed Walid Hasan Qaddoumi; (v) Tayel Sameer ash Sheikh; (vi) Mohammed Fayez Saleem; and (vii) Amjad Abdullah Miqbel, a mentally challenged civilian.
NABLUS	<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 Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access. (ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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. (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iv) 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 ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 06 March 2007, the Israeli army raided the village of Madama and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus as well as Balata and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camps. While searching a number of houses, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound grenades. The Israeli army also arrested 3 civilians, including 2 children, and withdrew at 05:00. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Sahrif Qasem Nassar in the village of Madama. <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Nablus and in the refugee camps of Balata and 'Ein Beit el Ma':</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Midyan Sami Zawaneh, 17 years old; (iii) Hamed Ghassan Hashash, 17 years old; and (iv) Mahyoub Qanaze'. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 14:30, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the area of Wadi al Badhan east of the city of Nablus.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (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 ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 Ari'el. • Raids/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area. (ii) At 15:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Deir Istiya and patrolled the area. (iii) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Yasuf. (iv) At 19:40, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Marda, set up a checkpoint in the village's centre, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained a number of civilians. At 20:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
JERICHO	<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. • Checkpoints: 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 connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. • Flying Checkpoint: At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Road # 90 in the centre of the village of Al 'Auja and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • 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 # 60. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat. • Raids/School Disruption/Destruction of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:25, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat ad Doha in the city of Bethlehem and served a summons to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (ii) At 14:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area. (iii) At 16:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Tuqu'. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 17:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) At 18:05, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area. (v) At 00:05, an Israeli army patrol raided the area of Al 'Ubayyat south of the city of Bethlehem, searched a number of houses, and served summons to 3 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 01:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (vi) At 02:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, raided a kindergarten, and damaged its contents. (vii) At 02:25, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Fajjar and patrolled the area until 03:25. • Arrest: On 27 February 2007, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint arrested Ahmed Ibraihim Abu Kamel, while he was travelling from the city of Bethlehem to the district of Ramallah.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul 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. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; 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 neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling 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. • 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 Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Majd, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 17:30. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Hisham Ghaleb az Zghayyir in the city of Hebron. • <u>Detentions/Palestinian Attack:</u> At 20:45, the Israeli army detained a number of civilians in the old city of Hebron, after an armed Palestinian individual threw a handmade explosive device at Israeli troops. • <u>School Disruption:</u> At 13:30, the Israeli army surrounded Al Fayha' Girls Basic School in the old city of Hebron, ostensibly for throwing stones at Israeli settlers.
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army carried out 1 raid into Palestinian territory, opened fire, and levelled land. In addition, armed Palestinian individuals fired 4 mortars towards the Green Line.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and VIPs. At 17:20, the Crossing was closed, thereby denying access to civilians departing the Gaza Strip. • <u>Raid/Attack/Land Levelling:</u> At 23:30, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including 6 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided 150 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 28 on the Green Line east of the town of Beit Hanun, opened intensive fire, and levelled land. At 07:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 4 mortars towards the Green Line, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 unidentified mortars towards the Green Line. (ii) At 23:35, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 mortars towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
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>(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.(ii) Rafah Crossing is open. From 09:00 until 17:00, the Crossing was open in both directions.(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open for transportation of construction cargo only.(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.
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