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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 March 2006 – 08:00 09 March 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian severely beaten in Hebron
Attacks	4	2	6	Incl. 27 artillery shells fired, N. Gaza
Raids	17	1	18	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 1 in N. Gaza
Arrests	23	—	23	Incl. 2 children and 3 brothers
Detentions	16	—	16	Incl. 1 Legislative Council member
Wall Construction	28	—	28	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Olive trees damaged in Hebron
Curfew	1	—	1	Over Tulkarem refugee camp
Closure of Checkpoints	3	—	3	Incl. Einav & Ein Duyuk checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13	—	13	Incl. 3 in Qalqiliya & 2 in Salfit
Closure (per District)	7	1	8	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	23	—	23	Incl. the road to An Nu'man village
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun & Rafah partially
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. 1 civilian denied access to land
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	2	2	Shelling near security posts, N. Gaza
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Incl. in solidarity with 2 prisoners
TOTAL	141	11	152	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and Beit Iksa checkpoints and to impede civilian access. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, and west of the village of Al Jib. (ii) On 03 March 2006, the Israeli High Court issued a precautionary decision to suspend Wall construction around the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim on land belonging to the towns of Abu Dis and As Sawahira ash Sharqiya for a period of 14 days. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Atarot Industrial Zone in Dahiyat ar Ram and searched civilian vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Beit 'Anan. (ii) The Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Hamdi Abdallah 'Awni in Qalandiya refugee camp. • Detention: At 10:00, the Israeli army detained Ahmed 'Atwan, a Palestinian Legislative Council member, and 1 of his companions and released them at a later time.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. • Flying Checkpoint: At 13:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Abu Qash, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:35, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh, set up a checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 23:45, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the village of Kafr 'Ein. (iii) At 02:10, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh, set up a checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, and patrolled the area. (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Al Mazra'a al Qibliya and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian in the town of Al Mazra'a al Qibliya. • <u>Demonstration:</u> A mass demonstration took place in the village of Kharbatha al Misbah in protest against land levelling for Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilian protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of protestors as a result of tear gas inhalation.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya and searched a number of houses. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while it was patrolling the area. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint at the town's entrance and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 10:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Jenin in solidarity with 'Itaf 'Ilayyan and Raja' al Ghoul, 2 female political prisoners on a hunger strike in Israeli prisons.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads connecting the town of Bal'a to Dahiyat Iktaba, the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa, and the town of Deir al Ghusun to the town of 'Attil. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of 'Einav on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus, denying access to civilian vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem, impeding civilian access.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Raids/Curfew/Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp and imposed curfew over the camp. The Israeli army also opened fire, fired sound grenades, and searched a number of houses in the refugee camp. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 9 civilians, including 2 children and 3 brothers. (ii) At 03:25, the Israeli army raided the village of ‘Izbat Nasser and searched a number of houses after detaining residents outside. • Arrests: On 05 March 2006, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians from the town of Qaffin, while they were travelling to work inside the Green Line: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mufeed ‘Azeez As’ad; (ii) Wassef ‘Azeez As’ad; and (iii) Khaled Nabeel Tu’meh. (iv) At 20:00, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed al Ashqar, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence Service at the DCO offices west of the city of Tulkarem. <p>The Israeli army arrested 9 civilians in Tulkarem refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (v) Mu’tassem Hatem al ‘Iraqi, 17 years old; (vi) Bassam Mohammed Mar’i, 17 years old; (vii) Ala’ ad Din Hatem al ‘Iraqi; (viii) Khaled Hatem al ‘Iraqi; (ix) Tareq Feissal az Zaqleh; (x) Ala’ ad Din Qasem; (xi) Zaki Mohammed Qozah; (xii) Mohammed Ahmed Fayez; and (xiii) Hakam ‘Aref Qasem. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detention: At 12:00, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem detained Niveen Ahmed Loubani, a female civilian, and released her at 13:30 after coordination through the DCO.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <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. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, and again at 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 16:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of ‘Azzun ‘Atma and conducted a census of residents in the village.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<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 main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of Odala and Beita with dirt barricades. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours. (ii) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Nablus and prevented civilians from the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from accessing the city of Nablus. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 08:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus and searched civilian vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 03:00, the Israeli army raided 'Askar refugee camp, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 03:30. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:45, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Amjad Mohammed an Najjar. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Abdul 'Azeez Ghandour in 'Askar refugee camp.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<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 main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda and the road connecting the town of Deir Istiya to the village of Haris. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement cements. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours. The Israeli army also prevents civilians from crossing eastwards towards the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village of Marda and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:10. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 22:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Bruqin and opened indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling the area. At 23:25, the Israeli army patrol withdrew from the area. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Revava prevented at gunpoint 'Adnan Nasser from working on his land near the settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army prevents farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for Jerusalem and Jericho ID holders. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus, impeding civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of 'Ein Ad Duyuk on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, to search civilians and vehicles, and to deny civilian access in both directions between 20:00 and 05:00 on a daily basis. (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho, impeding civilian access.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:10, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. • <u>Arrests:</u> At 02:30 on 08 March 2006, the Israeli army arrested 5 civilians during its raid on the city of Bethlehem, in addition to those reported yesterday: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Karim Mahmoud Zawahreh;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Mustafa Omar Zawahreh; (iii) Abdallah Ayed Zawahreh; (iv) Husam Mohammed Zawahreh; and (v) Samer Abdallah al Hindi.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades 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, and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp with cement blocks. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Wadi al Quf road leading to the town of Tarqumiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Physical Assault/Detention:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Al Hawouz ath Thani, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:20, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched 1 house, severely beat 1 civilian, and detained 3 individuals, including 1 child and 1 Palestinian Police officer. At 02:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and arrested 1 civilian.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Tayseer Salameh Abu Jheisheh in the town of Idhna. • Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: At 16:00, 3 Israeli settlers from the settlement of Sussia southeast of the town of Yatta damaged olive trees on civilian land near the settlement.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Israeli army partially eased the closure it has imposed on the Gaza Strip since 16 December 2005 ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line. The Israeli army allowed 3,179 workers to cross into areas inside the Green Line.
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<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements, in the district of Northern Gaza. The Israeli army has also warned that civilians would put their lives in danger if they enter the designated area. • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, civilians holding special permits, humanitarian cases, and workers. • Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Between 20:05 and 20:55, the Israeli army fired 12 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory near 2 Palestinian National Security locations northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. 2 artillery shells did not explode. Between 21:00 and 23:00, the Israeli army fired 15 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. • Raid: At 12:55, the Israeli army, including 1 armoured vehicle and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory near Point 23 on the Green Line north of Beit Hanun Industrial Zone.
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open.
<p>CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p>KHAN YUNIS</p>	<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 partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
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GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> The Israeli authorities renewed 6,894 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> The Israeli authorities renewed 4,917 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, only 3,179 workers (approximately 65% of those possessing work permits) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.
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